



NOvA Project Status

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Interactions with DOE

- August 21 with Mike Procaro
 - Discussed Cooperative Agreement / MIE split
 - Mike agrees that we could do this each FY
 - Takes Decker to sign-off, so do it thoughtfully
 - Gives project more flexibility since can think about the building in phases
 - E.g. first phase is final design + build access road, so only need appropriate contingency for each. And leftover contingency can be applied to the next year's needs.



Interactions with DOE

- August 22, 28, 30, September 1,5 with Mike Procario
 - Unsolicited proposal status
 - Presumably details earlier in meeting from Mike
 - Have Marvin Marshak in the loop.
 - Effect on CD-1 sign-off.
 - Have to modify Acquisition Strategy, but that is thought to be possible
 - Might be a delay if Orbach might want to see proposal and the Determination of Noncompetitive Financial Assistance before signing



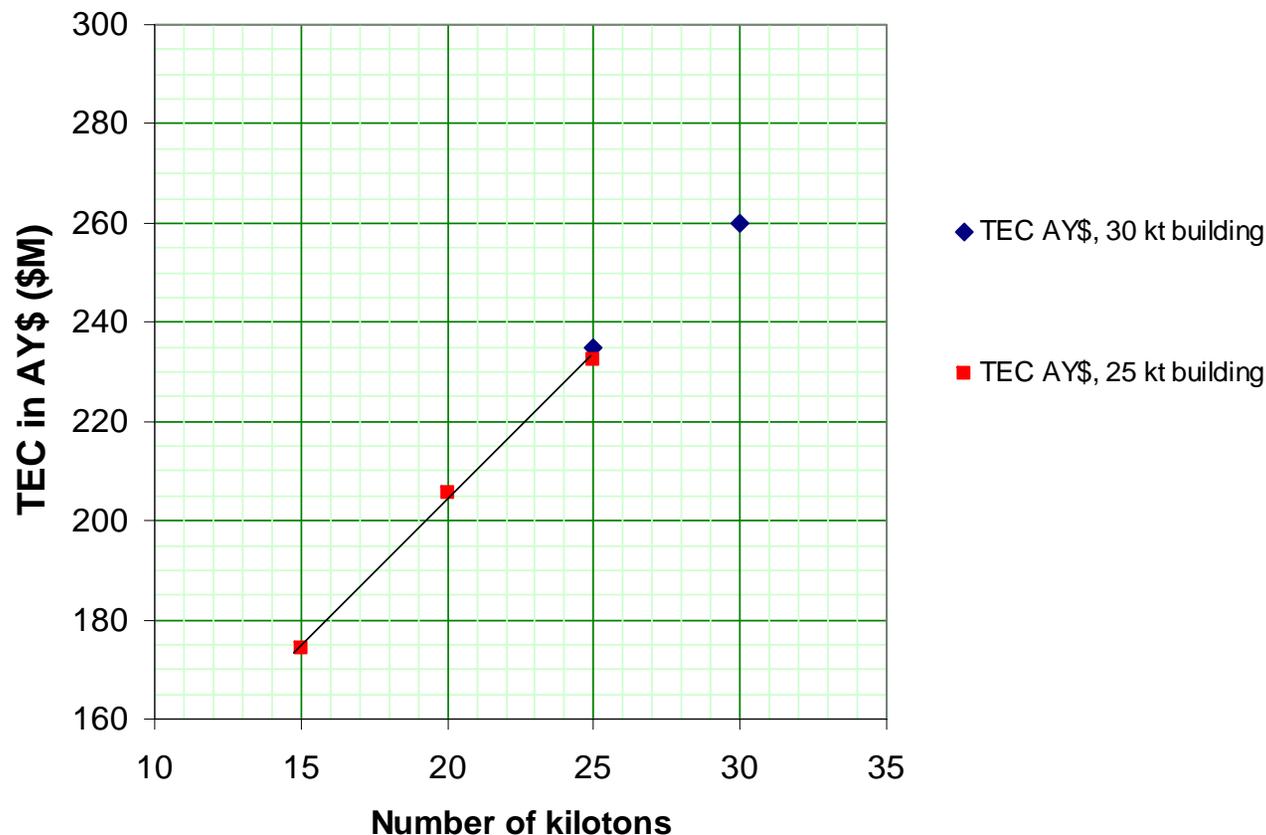
Interactions with DOE

- August 31 with Ron Lutha, Steve Webster, Dennis Wilson
 - Looked at a draft NOvA Procurement Plan for mineral oil only
 - Details difficult because we may try several paths for the best price
 - Exercise option if time scale allows (some are Nov 07)
 - Re-bid, even get multiple vendors for 30-90 day deliveries
 - Re-bid, but still indexed due to 2008 bids for 2010-12 deliveries.
 - Likely Fermilab Master Contracts
 - We agree to have a draft full procurement plan for the commodities by the Directors CD-2 review
 - DOE may use it to smooth the way for later reviews
 - Get a final plan (with its uncertainties) in place for CD-2 and EIR



We are not out of the woods on cost

- **Robin Staffin holds to a Cost cap at \$ 200 M**
 - Simple scaling of our CD-1 (25 kt in a 30 kt building) cost
 - indicates a 20 kt detector in a 25 kt building is almost affordable at \$ 205.6 M

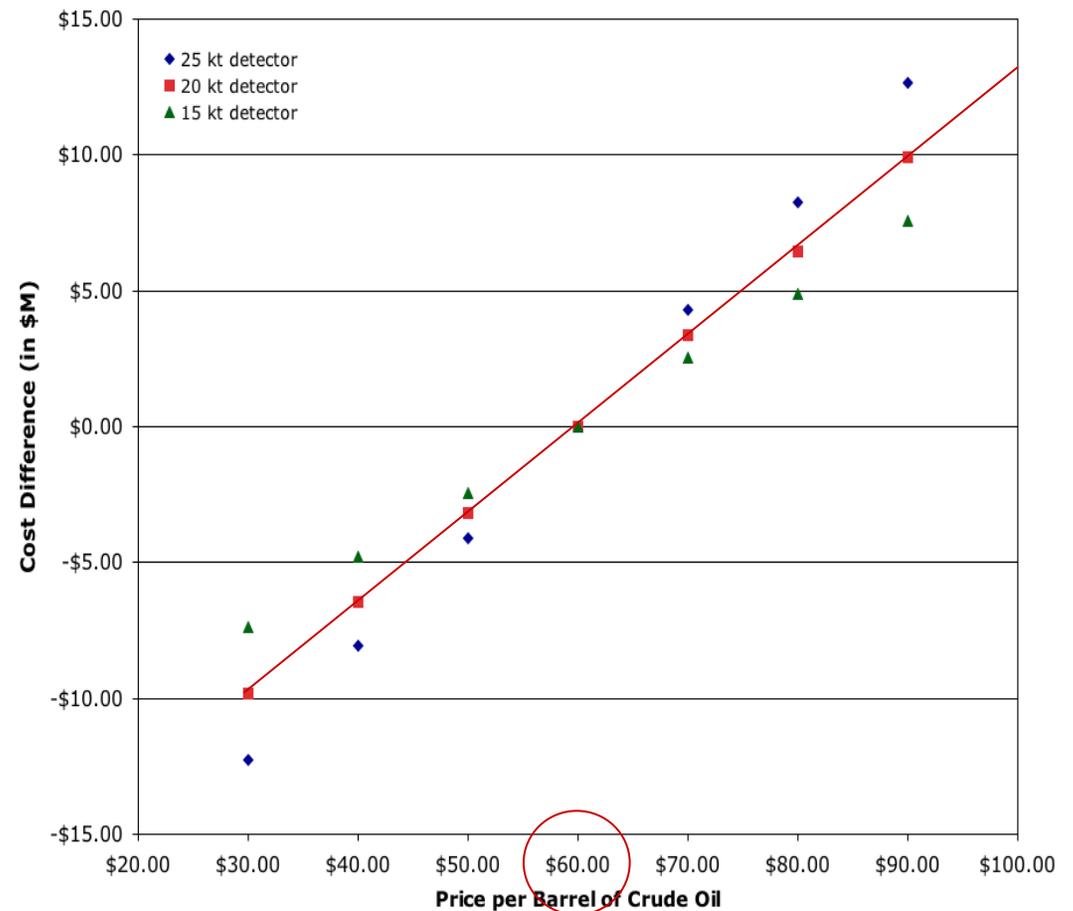




Crude Oil is not helping

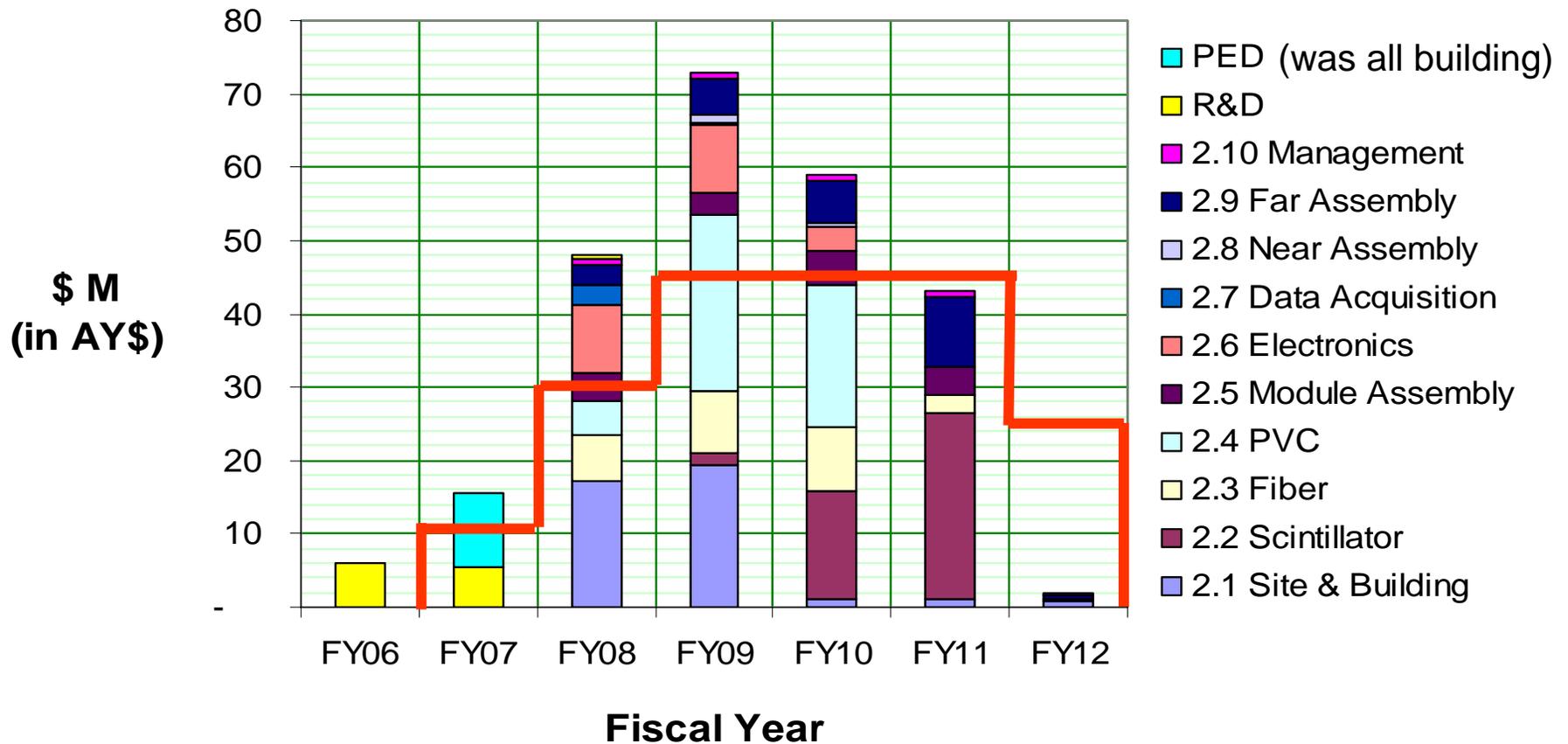
- Ron has calculated our overall sensitivity to crude
 - NOvA cost changes
~ \$ 333 K for every
\$1 change / barrel of crude
- Recall we assume \$ 60 / bbl when we buy
 - Based on DOE Energy Information Administration forecast
 - Last week, Standard & Poor's made a similar forecast
 - Recall our contingency includes \$ 97 / bbl

Project Cost vs. Cost of Crude Oil





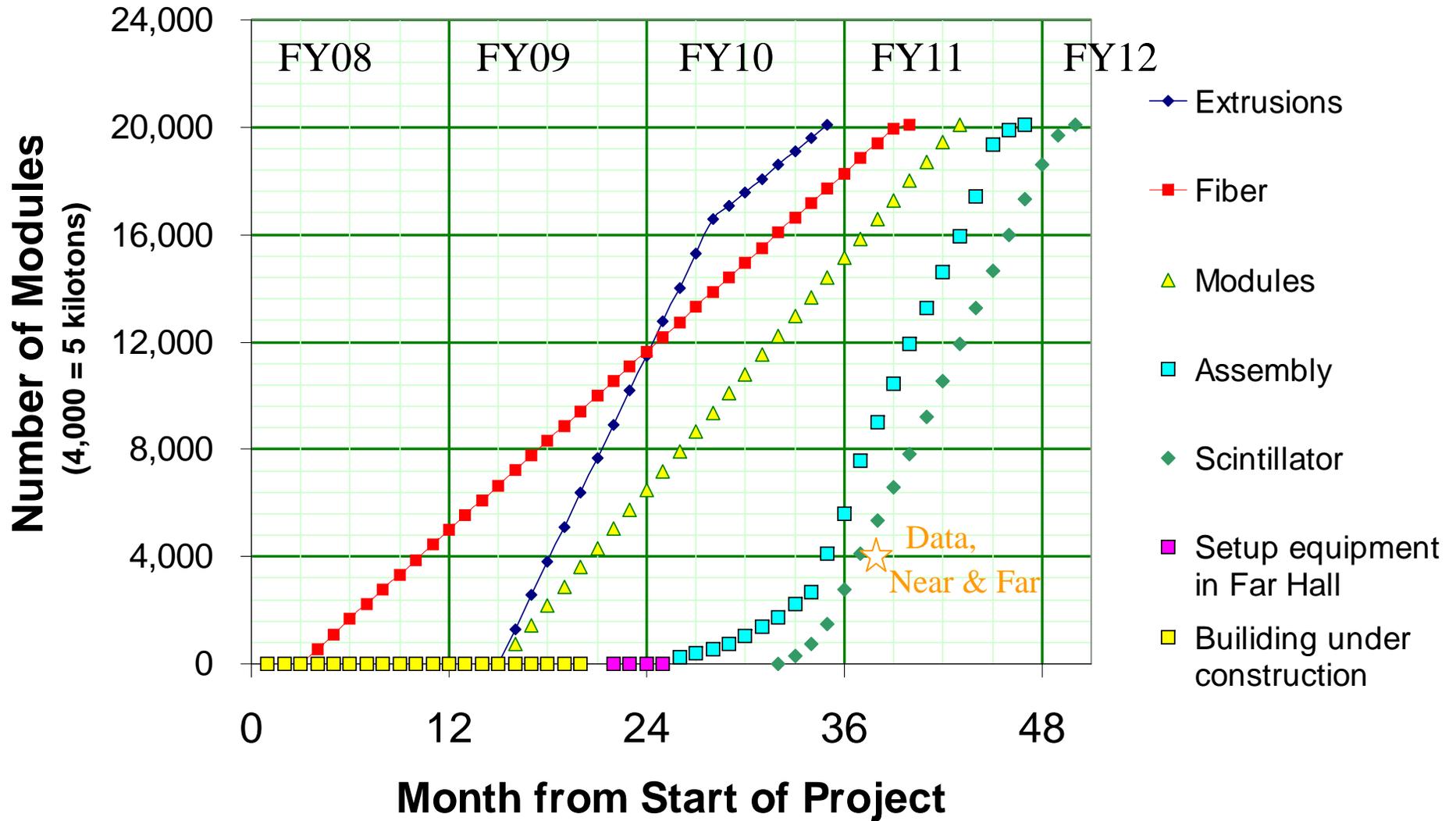
Initial **DOE Funding Profile** does not match our CD-1 Cost & Schedule



- CD-1 was 25 kt, so the integral in this figure was \$ 235 M
- Some things will have to move later in time (building can't be later)
- There must be an exact match for CD-2



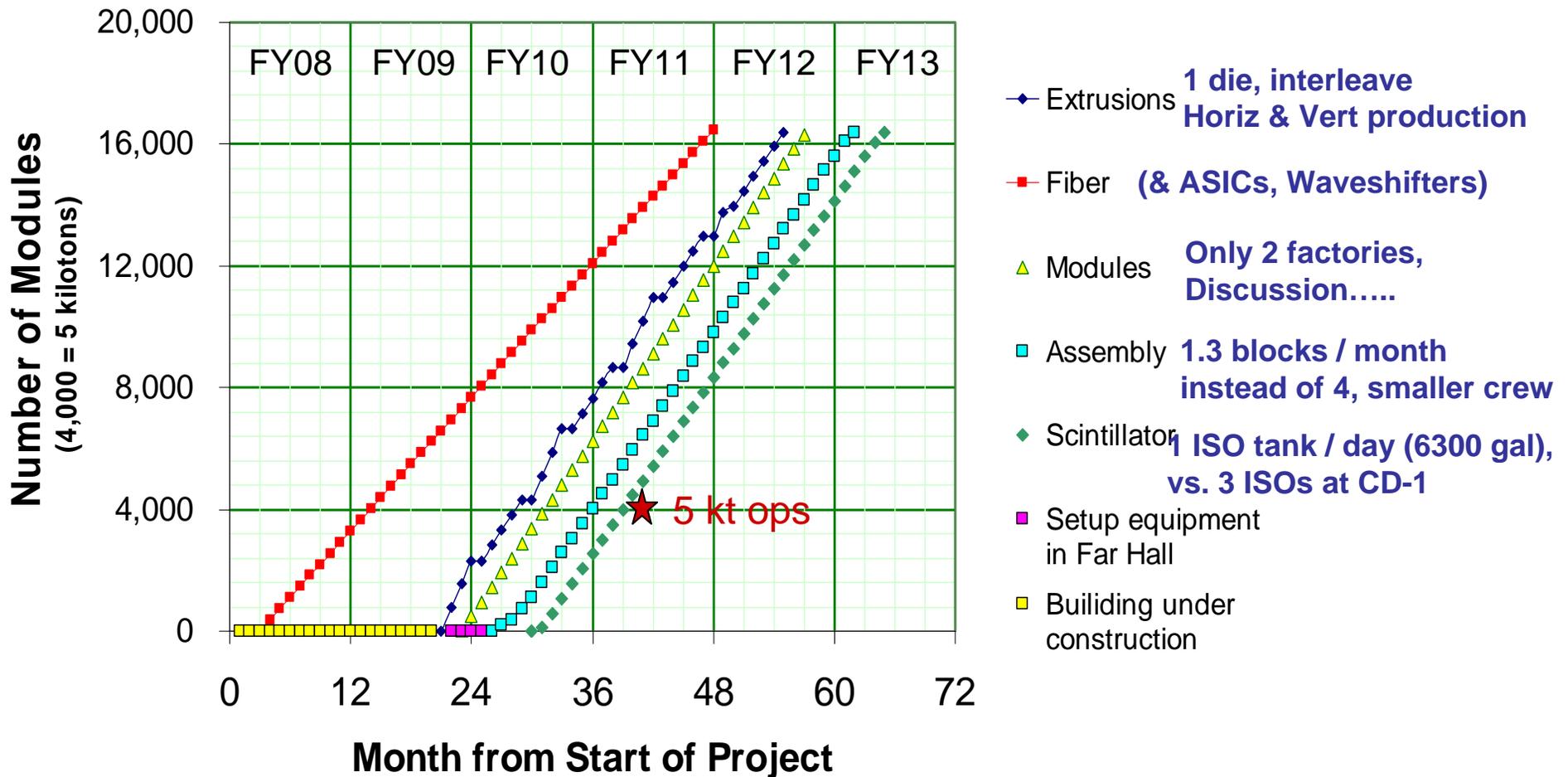
CD-1 Schedule: Graphical Form





A conceptual Stretched Schedule

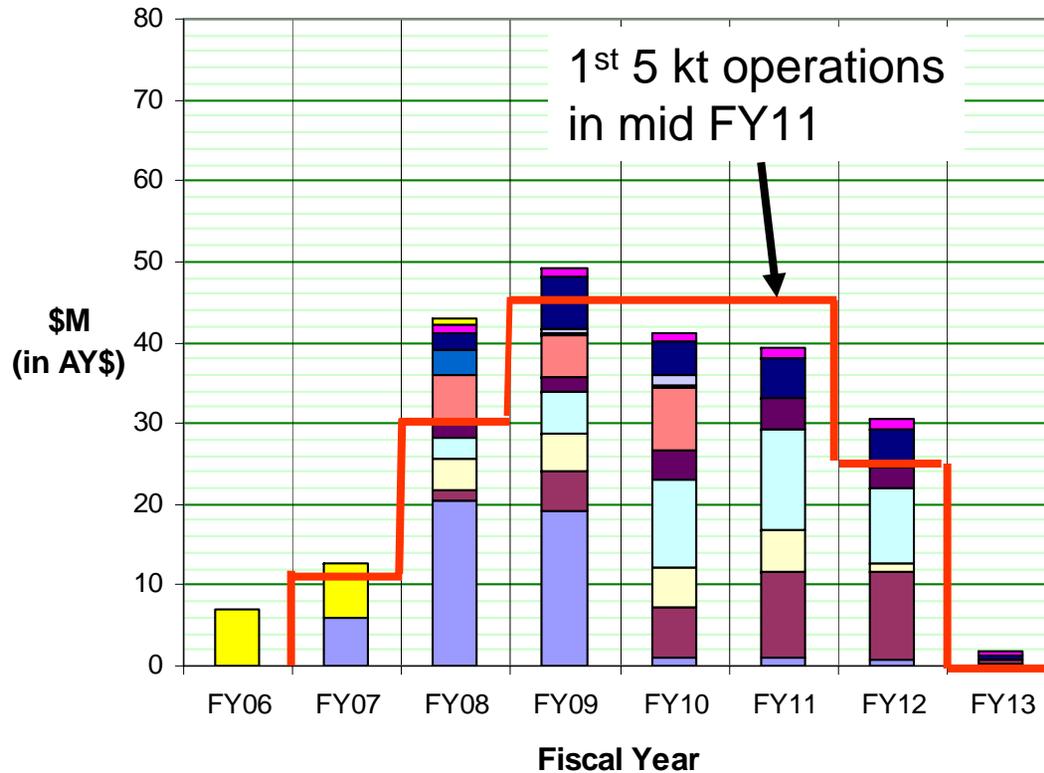
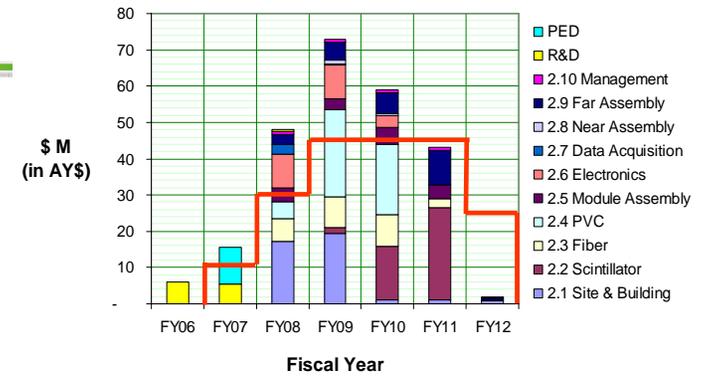
- Trying to match the funding profile





Funding profile of stretched schedule

- Includes cheaper fiber, lower PVC contingency, 2 factories, APD delay
- Stretching increases escalated costs
- Total is now \$ 210.3 M vs. \$ 205.6 M



- R&D
- 2.10 Management
- 2.9 Far Assembly
- 2.8 Near Assembly
- 2.7 Data Acquisition
- 2.6 Electronics
- 2.5 Module Assembly
- 2.4 PVC
- 2.3 Fiber
- 2.2 Scintillator
- 2.1 Site & Building

In addition to items on previous slide:

Moved some of APDs out of FY08, need to move more

Need to move DAQ out of FY08

Comments:
Profile, FF



Still ways to cut costs

- Balance fiber diameter / scint. Mix / PVC reflectivity for 20 p.e. at far end and lowest cost
 - 0.7 mm fiber vs. 0.8 mm could save \$ 2.2 M (unburdened)
 - PVC reflectivity might just balance
 - Increase scintillator light with more pseudocumene, under \$ 0.4 M to compensate
- Building
 - Fewer exits, no crane, ...you have heard from Steve Dixon
 - Overburden thickness
 - New simulation indicates 1.3 m @ 2.5 g/cc could be enough (vs. 2 m as in CDR)
 - But no way to recover if we are wrong (Risk discussion is next)
 - Looking at barite loaded concrete (Gary's idea)



Risk Management

- We are actively tracking 5 formal risks following our Risk Management Plan
 - Our Risk Management Board considered the status of all 5 on Aug 31.
- 1 – shear stress on plane to plane adhesive
 - Already went to stronger epoxy, roughened PVC, thicker vertical PVC, 31 plane (not 32) plane blocks, got back to safety factor (SF) of 5
 - Led to outside engineering review which endorsed our changes
 - Some question that adhesive peel stress may also be a worry
 - As the PVC bulges, the epoxy takes on a curved profile subject to peel
 - This in fact was the source of selecting a SF of 5 as the target, based on standard engineering texts.
 - Actual models under test with epoxy
 - FEA under way to predict model behavior
 - **initial preliminary** results predict SF of ~ 4.5
 - RF welding may offer a stronger bond than epoxy
 - Req in system to evaluate Ashland RF bonding scheme
 - Will test small structural parts for shear, peel, tensile strength, eventually test models as with epoxy



Risk Management continued

- 2 – static charge build-up when filling detector with scintillator
 - Identified in spring 2006, Risk tracking form in August 2006
 - Mitigation under study / planned
 - Distribution system in grounded metal, not PVC
 - Inert module atmosphere while filling
 - Reduce ignition sources
 - Add anti-static agent,
 - » but this reduces light, has unknown lifetime effects
 - » 2 ppm required to meet an industry standard for a “semi-conductive fluid”,
i.e. no hazard charge levels except for aerosols
 - Control splash filling, no freefall of liquid
 - » Avoid aerosol formation
 - Provide discharge path inside PVC modules



Risk Management continued

- 3 – Creep in PVC plastic over time could reduce SF of structure design
 - Risk tracking form in April 2006
 - Mitigation Strategy is to limit creep to a few years
 - Just during detector construction and filling
 - Once detector is complete, fill the gaps between the 44 blocks (each with 31 planes) with a “grout” to stop creep
 - Requires a second bookend
 - Problems:
 - Grout not identified
 - Installation method for grout not identified
 - Potential failure modes need more thought
 - Have looked at effect of one module losing all liquid, this is not a problem



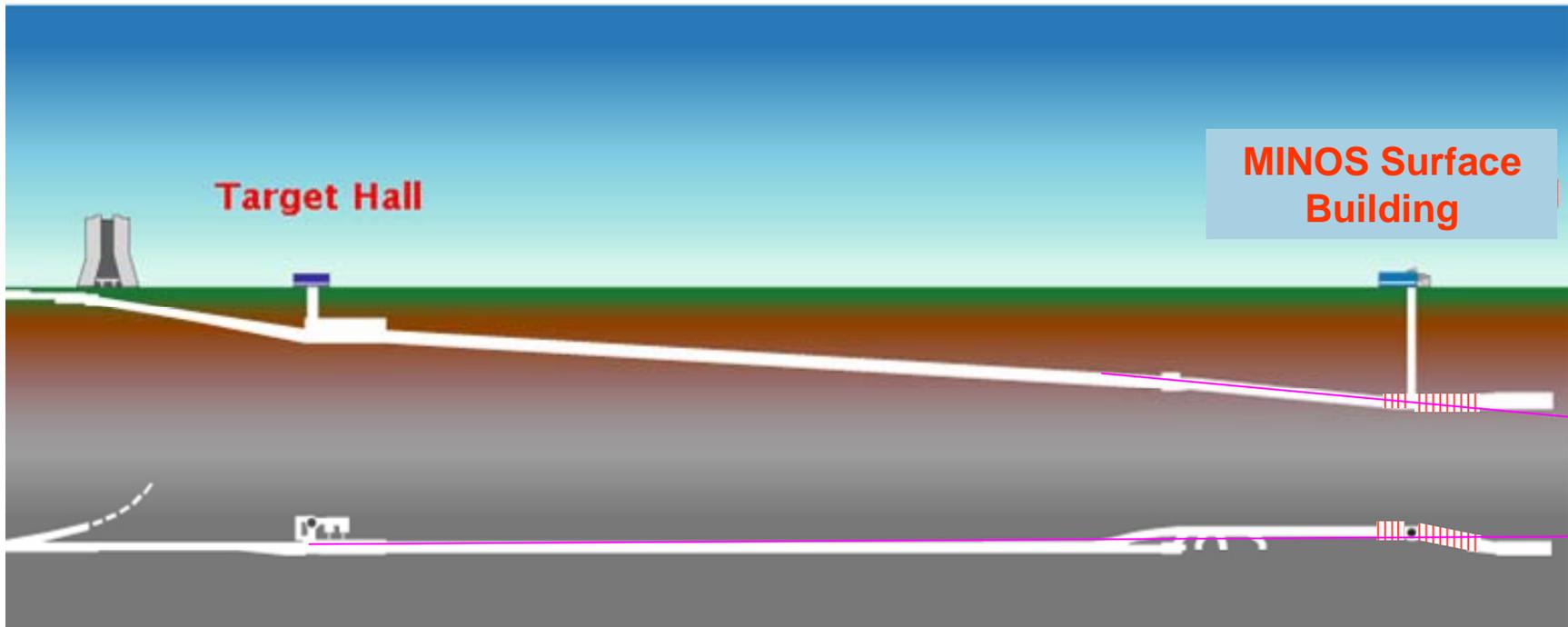
Risk Management continued

- 4 – Building overburden design may be too thick
 - Risk tracking form in August 2006
 - Scientific performance goal is 1 event (electromagnetic cosmic ray) faking a ν_e event in 6 years of running
 - CD-1 called for 2 m with density 2.5 g/cc
 - Realized by 3m with 2.8 g/cc granite and 40% voids
 - 1.32 m @ 2.5 g/cc may be sufficient – new simulation by Mark Messier
 - This opens up the possibility of a different building construction method, e.g. concrete vs. steel
 - **The point is that we may be spending too much money on a overburden.**
 - But there is a counter risk: if we get it wrong, there is no obvious way to recover within the project scope after the fact.
 - New concept: use barite (Barium Sulfate) loaded concrete
 - Idea from Gary Feldman (he used it in Mark I)
 - Barite is more effective for than standard concrete by a factor of ~ 2.2 per unit mass for shielding photons.
 - Z is 56. Density is 4.5 g/cc.
 - X_0 is ~2.7 cm vs. granite at ~ 9.9 cm.
 - In a new design or in the old design
 - Steve Dixon evaluating costs of several designs / thicknesses



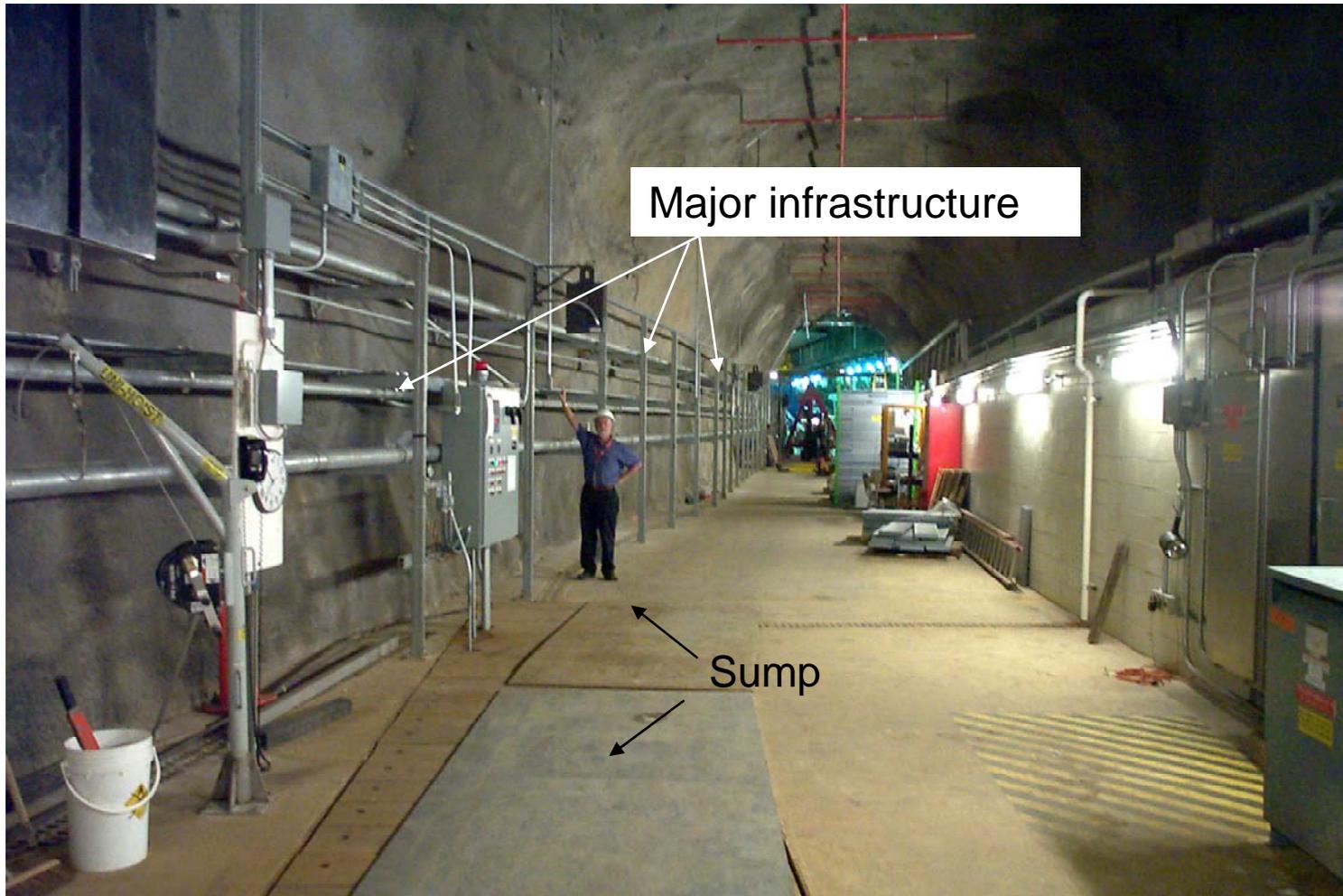
Risk Management continued

- 5 – Near Detector is at an angle of 11° to the neutrino beam in the MINOS access tunnel.
 - This may compromise event containment and event identification.
 - Risk form in August 2006 following realization in May and worries voiced by Gary
 - Mitigation studies underway
 - Simulations of all cases required
 - Line source effect in beam, finite detector size of Near Detector
 - Rotate the detector in the tunnel (see following 5 slides)
 - Gets us to 4.93°
 - No issues of life safety identified
 - Cost to move utilities on the west side of the tunnel
 - Gets us to 2.30°
 - Excavate a box out of the west side of the tunnel
 - Gets us to 0°
 - Move utilities and rotate horizontally to 3° .
 - Take out vertical angle of 3° by raising front of Near Detector to compensate vertical beam angle
 - » Lean detector vs. stairstep scheme





Looking Downstream from Shaft



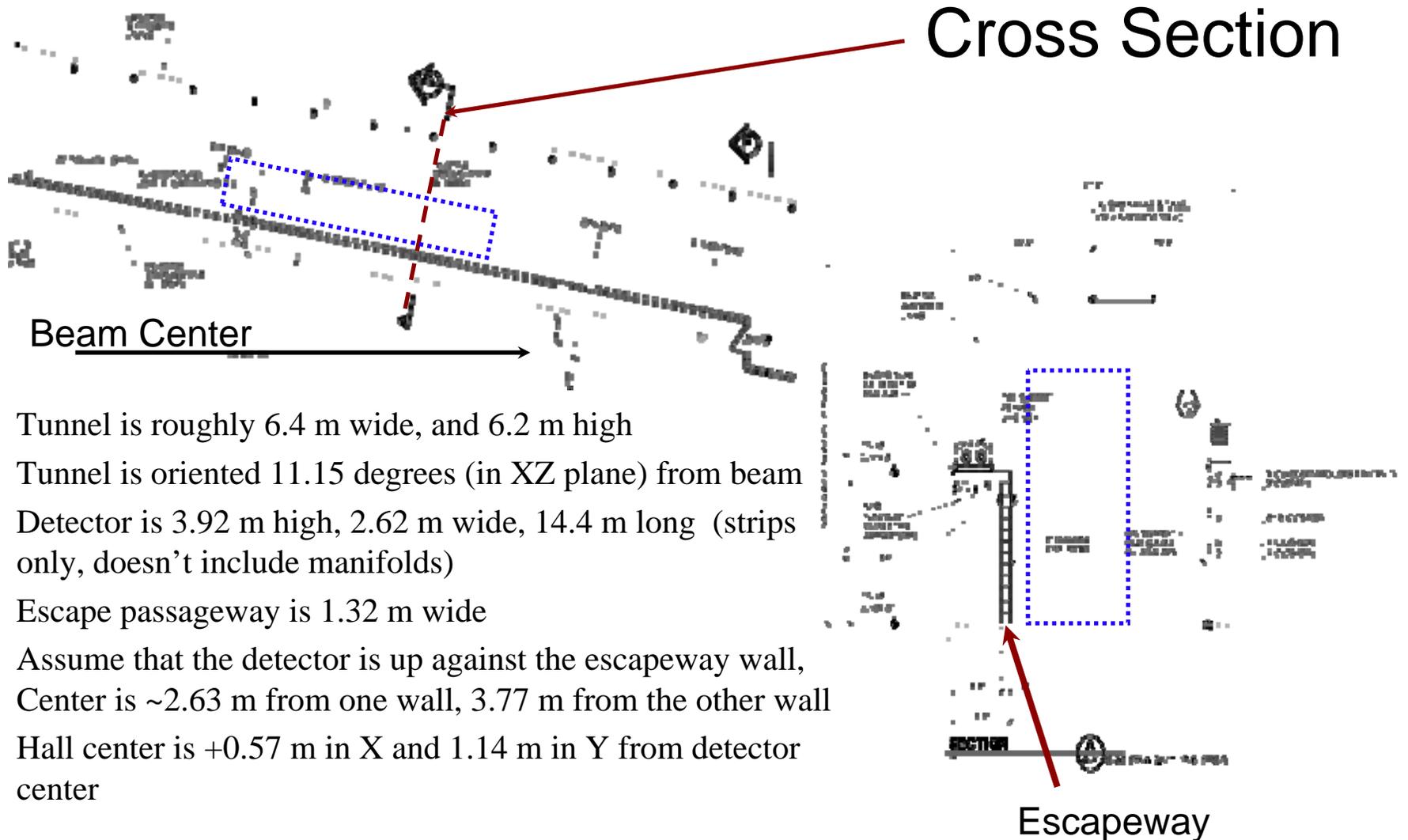


Top of Escapeway looking upstream towards access shaft





A Closer Look





What we need for CD-2 Review

NOVA Work List for CD-2 (red means new since last version)		Early Finish Date	Possible Late Finish Date	Actual Finish Date	comments
Cooperative Agreement					
	Recipient Selected = Site Selection	1-Nov-06	15-Jan-07		May be earlier with unsolicited proposal
	Negotiations concluded	15-Jan-07	1-Apr-07		Jan might be an early estimate for this even now?
NEPA					
	Scoping Meeting	22-Jun-06		22-Jun-06	
	Environmental Impacts Analysis Plan and 5 point timeline	29-Jun-06		20-Jul-06	after iterations on schedule with Sally Arnold
	NEPA timeline in Envir. Impacts Analysis Plan				
	Determine EA route	22-Jun-07		22-Jun-06	Siebach to Livengood
	Notify Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota of EA intent	15-Jul-06		1-Aug-06	letters from Livengood
	draft EA completed	1-Nov-06			
	final EA ready	1-Dec-06	15-Jan-07		requires CA Recipient
	State / Public Comment period	1-Jan-07	15-Feb-07		
	FONSI drafted	1-Apr-07			not required for CD-2 REVIEW
	FONSI issued	1-Jun-07			not required for CD-2 REVIEW
	Minnesota Part				
	RGU (Responsible Government Unit) in place	15-Jan-07			
	Minnesota EAW (site specific)	15-Jan-07	1-Mar-07		This is after the 30 day comment period
	Wetland Permit Processing by USACE	1-Apr-07	1-Dec-07		Need for construction, not for CD-2 review



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Fermilab NOVA Part					
	draft Version Ch 3 Proposed Action: description, alternative				
	Integration Prototype on surface	31-Aug-06		31-Aug-06	containment, FP
	Near Detector in MINOS access tunnel	31-Aug-06		31-Aug-06	containment, FP, access issues
	Scintillator Blending & Storage	31-Aug-06		31-Aug-06	containment, transportation
	Module Factory	31-Aug-06			adhesive ventilation
	Block Raiser construction & tests with load	31-Aug-06			construction activity
	Full scale prototype construction & test	31-Aug-06			construction activity
	Full flat prototype for time & motion study	31-Aug-06			probably at ANL
	Final Version (ties to date in NEPA timeline above)				
	Integration Prototype on surface	1-Nov-06			containment, FP
	Near Detector in MINOS access tunnel	1-Nov-06			containment, FP, access issues
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Fermilab Tritium Part					
	Water Task Force report	21-Sep-06			
Site and Building					
Ash River Site					
	EAW update	1-Nov-06	1-Dec-06		
	Wetland Permit Application prepared	1-Dec-06			
Other Sites					
	EAW	1-Jul-07	30-Sep-07		
Building					
	Independent Cost & Schedule Review	15-Sep-06	1-Sep-06		
	30% Drawings	15-Dec-06			req in process for first \$ 260 K



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Liquid Scintillator					
	Tests of commercial Tintometer	21-Jul-06		16-Aug-06	tagged, sent on to Indiana for tests, 7/17
	Fermilab blending model description & cost	15-Aug-06			Ron has a draft 8/15
	issue RFP for off-site blending	1-Aug-06	15-Oct-06		struggling with options, hiring consultants
	RFP responses for off-site blending	1-Sep-06	15-Nov-06		6 wks for consultants to develop bid list
	evaluate waveshifter concentration	15-Aug-06		16-Aug-06	
	evaluate pseudocumene concentration	15-Aug-06		1-Apr-06	CDR likely has sufficient info
	decide waveshifter/pseudocumene to match fiber diameter	9-Aug-06	1-Oct-06		likely will not change scintillator, only fiber & PVC
Wavelength Shifting Fiber					
	Updated Kuraray quote	1-Jun-06	1-Jul-06	6-Jul-06	
	evaluate fiber diameter	1-Aug-06	15-Sep-06		work in progress
	evaluate fiber fragility in Module Assembly	15-Sep-06			
	decide fiber diameter	9-Aug-06	1-Oct-06		
PVC Extrusions					
	Choose die proof resin (NOVA-2)	5-May-06		5-Jun-06	
	Proof 16 cell die at die manufacturer	26-Jun-06	31-Jul-06	24-Jul-06	done at Extrutech, not at die manufacturer
	Tune 16 cell die at extruder	14-Jul-06	18-Aug-06	25-Jul-06	got samples but NOVA-2 resin clogged die
	Rework die after initial tests	21-Aug-06			in progress
	2nd test with new PVC resins and reworked die	1-Sep-06	18-Sep-06		
	Issue RFP for 70,000 lb test resin + full detector option	5-Jun-06		23-Jun-06	but will have to do best & final, NOVA-2 clog
	RFP responses for resin	5-Jun-06	21-Jul-06	21-Jul-06	able to update cost estimate
	Issue RFP for 70,000 lb resin, BEST and FINAL	1-Sep-06	25-Sep-06		hold, will update resin formula
	Produce 3500 m of 16 cell material, horizontal, rutile	4-Aug-06	23-Oct-06		takes 8 days of production time, end 10/31
	Measure mechanical properties of NOVA-2 in 16 cells	30-Sep-06	15-Oct-06		in progress but will repeat for new formula
	React to measurements of 16-cell extrusions	31-Oct-06			
	Issue P.O. to modify existing die for vertical extrusions	1-Sep-06		24-Aug-06	4 month turn around on existing die
	Still would have anatase vs. rutile TiO2 choice hanging?	7-Sep-06			expect first anatase tests September 25
	Order resin for 1500 m of 16 cell material in anatase	15-Aug-06	15-Oct-06		
	Still would not have final 16 vs 32 cell decision				But would have work around concept/tests
	RF welding test to make a 32 cell from two 16 cell objects	1-Nov-06			expect proposal any second
	Die returns after modification for vertical extrusions	15-Jan-06			die not available during December



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PVC Modules					
	final endplate design	31-Aug-06	15-Sep-06		modifying design
	final manifold design	31-Aug-06	15-Sep-06		modifying design
	adhesive choice	30-Sep-06			
	adhesive vs. RF welding	1-Dec-06	1-Apr-07		
	factory stringing machine and flycutting machine	1-Oct-06			have a prototypes but it needs tuning
	factory flycutting machine	1-Oct-06		15-Jul-06	MINOS flycutter tested successfully
	factory gluing machine	1-Nov-06			if glue, now injected so machine is simpler
	final overflow tank design (now grouped and part of assembly)				
	Time & Motion studies with 16 cell, 12 ft(early) & 53 ft(later) objects	15-Dec-06			
Electronics					
	Receive 1st 10 APDs from Hamamatsu	1-Oct-06	30-Sep-06		new PC material tested, boards to them now
	Get updated "target price" of APDs from Hamamatsu	1-Nov-06			
	completed studies of front end ASIC	10-Aug-06		28-Aug-06	Fermilab tests done, packaging for user tests
	Front End Board prototype II testing	6-Oct-06			
Data Acquisition					
	prototype Data Concentrator tests complete	15-Dec-06			
Near Assembly					
	Initial design of mechanical structure	19-Sep-06			Integration Prototype pushes this
	Initial design of mechanical systems	19-Sep-06			
Far Assembly					
	Validation of plane adhesive choice	16-May-06		11-Jul-06	3M-2216 is the choice
	Tests of 3 plane assemblies with 3M2216 and 16-cell extrusions	?			Real validation is a test for peel and shear
	RF welding, plane to plane, 4 plane test at Ashland	31-Oct-06	1-Dec-06		have Ashland proposal, August 16
	settle baseline installation procedures	27-Jul-06	3-Oct-06		
	Validation of structural design	17-Aug-06	24-Oct-06		
	Initial designs of mechanical systems (access,light tightening,cooling,filling)	30-Sep-06	12-Nov-06		
	Designs of mechanical systems & tooling	8-Jan-07			



What we need for CD-2 Review, page 5

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Project Management					
	final Project Execution Plan	1-Aug-06			Iterated with Lutha & Webster 7/11-12
	final Project Management Plan				
	final Configuration Management Document				
	final Risk Management Plan				
	draft Procurement Plan (partial)	1-Aug-06		29-Aug-06	request from Lutha
	Procurement Plan	21-Jan-07			will have for Director's CD-2
	draft Performance Management System Document (EVMS)	21-Jul-06		23-Aug-06	NOVA docdb #1084 (lab-wide plan)
	final Performance Management System Document (EVMS)				
	draft PSAD				
	Outside Review Mechanical Structure: Creep Mitigation	1-Sep-06	1-Nov-06		may drop this review
	1st draft Technical Design Report (blanks identified)	1-Oct-06			Project Office produces draft 1
	2nd draft Technical Design Report (50% blanks filled)	1-Nov-06			updates from L2 Managers
	final Technical Design Report	15-Dec-06			final updates, final edit by Project Office
	draft construcion 20 kt Cost & Schedule matching funding profile	10-Aug-06		15-Aug-06	"match" is approximate
	update R&D portion of C&S	30-Sep-06			track starting 10/1/06, might be final for CD-2
	2nd draft construction 20 kt C & S following technical decisions	1-Nov-06			follows update of R&D, parallel TDR 2nd draft
	nearly final C&S	5-Dec-06			
	final Cost & Schedule	15-Dec-06	12-Jan-07		this would include full BOE & notes



Keith's NEPA table

	Status	Milestone date	Finish Date
Write Fermilab Environmental Evaluation Notification Form	Done	5 / 06	5 / 06
Concurrence	Waiting	6 / 06	
Determine Cooperative Agreement Recipient.	Waiting	?	
Determine Responsible Government Unit	Waiting	?	
Select Site	Waiting	?	
Prepare Environmental Assessment Worksheet	Waiting	?	
Tritium Issues resolved	Mike Martens of Steve Holmes task force will provide information for EA	10/ 06	

	Status	John/Ron read draft	Final Draft	Milestone date	Finish Date
Write NOVA EA					
1. Introduction	Drafted	6-Jun-06		6 / 06	
2. Purpose and Need for Action	Drafted	6-Jun-06		6 / 06	
3. Description of Proposed Action, Including the Alternatives	early draft done	read, but not discussed yet		6 / 06	
3.1 Proposed Action	early draft done			6 / 06	
3.2 Range of Reasonable Alternatives	early draft done			6 / 06	
3.3 No Action Alternative	early draft done			6 / 06	
3.4 Describing Alternatives	early draft done			6 / 06	
4. Affected Environment				8 / 06	
5. Environmental Impacts (Effects)				8 / 06	
5.1 Impact Identification and Quantification				8 / 06	
5.2 Human Health Effects				8 / 06	
5.3 Biological Impacts				8 / 06	
5.4 Transportation Impacts				8 / 06	
5.5 Accident Analysis				8 / 06	
5.6 Environmental Justice				8 / 06	
5.7 Cumulative Impacts				8 / 06	
5.8 Compliance with Other Requirements				8 / 06	
5.8.1 Endangered Species Act				8 / 06	
5.8.2 Clean Air Conformity Requirements				8 / 06	
5.8.3 Floodplain and Wetland Environmental Review Requirements				8 / 06	
5.8.4 National Historic Preservation Act				8 / 06	
5.9 Mitigation				8 / 06	
5.10 Comparison of Impacts				8 / 06	
5.11 Conclusions in EAs and EISs				8 / 06	
6. List of Preparers, List of Agencies and Persons Consulted, and Distribution List				9 / 06	
7. Appendices, References, and Index				9 / 06	
8. Glossary			J. Cooper & Ron Ray	9 / 06	



Sufficient Project Personnel?

- **Administrative support high level full time**
 - Req is in the system -- Elaine Phillips reports HR looking at applications,
- **Help for monthly report startup**
 - Could be admin person?
- **More engineering on Block Raiser**
 - Final design, staged design allowing test phase?
 - Dave Pushka & Vic Guarino go back to basics before proceeding
 - Still talking, not yet agreeing, but **still** creeping closer to resolution
 - More PPD effort, **FEAs ongoing**
- **More engineering & help on Near Detector**
 - Have Karen Kephart, Peter Lucas, have ANL engineers (Guarino)
 - Issue with design/drafting, lack of access to Don Friend, first reported to PPD Eng Resource Mtg on July 17, PPD and Project continue to watch this
 - Leon Beverly? John Voirin? Both familiar with shaft & tunnel.
 - Installation transport, containment, fire protection, mobility
 - Leon toured MINOS access tunnel with Peter Lucas on August 30
 - Expecting his help on a cost estimate to move utilities
 - Will need FESS & Chris Laughton help on crude excavation costs in access tunnel



Sufficient Project Personnel? continued

- **Scintillator Blending**
 - Issues outlined on next slide -- On-site vs, Off-site models being considered
 - Still would do prototype blending for spring 2007 in house
 - Involve PPD process control group?
- **QA person, part time probably OK for now.....**
 - No progress
- **Electronics infrastructure and Slow Controls**
 - Italy for Slow controls, but when?, Leon Beverly for infrastructure?
 - Craig Dukes (Univ of Virginia) as new L3
 - understands Italians eventually, already working with them
 - John Oliver & Dave Pushka to look harder at the power & cooling issues across L2 boundaries – led to next bullet
 - **New Cooling model proposed**
 - Dave Pushka has suggested changing our design from water cooling of the TEC hot side to R-134a cooling with one cooling unit per detector block
 - Still in initial discussions within NOvA
 - Might need PPD Process Control group help for design



Scintillator Blending

- Blend at Fermilab
 - CD-1 cost estimate of \$1.7 M for 25 kt.
- Different *risks*
 - 750 ISO tanks = 6,341 gal
 - Done at home, we have to do it all
 - ES&H concerns
 - 191 rail cars mineral oil?
 - 40 ISO tanks of pseudocumene
 - Railroad bunching delivery
 - Might hold at storage facility?
- Hire a Toll Blender
 - One estimate of \$5.3 M for 30 kt version
- Different *risks*
 - Possibly 50,000 gal
 - Done elsewhere, hard to watch all operations
 - ES&H “hired”
 - 10 barges for mineral oil?
 - Can’t navigate Jan/Feb
 - 26 day trip from Gulf

QA needed for both schemes:

What do we measure, how often, how long does it take (Chuck, Tom)

Then try to compare two methods. *May require expensive consultants*