

## **Community Communications**

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#### Overview



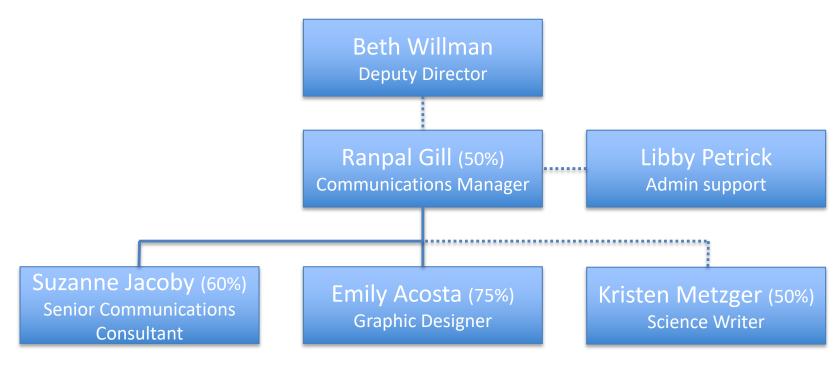
### Presentation will cover

- Current initiative to improve "for scientists" area on LSST website
  - Why?
  - What?
  - When?
- Other channels
  - External
  - Internal
- LSST Survey naming



## **Communication Office**

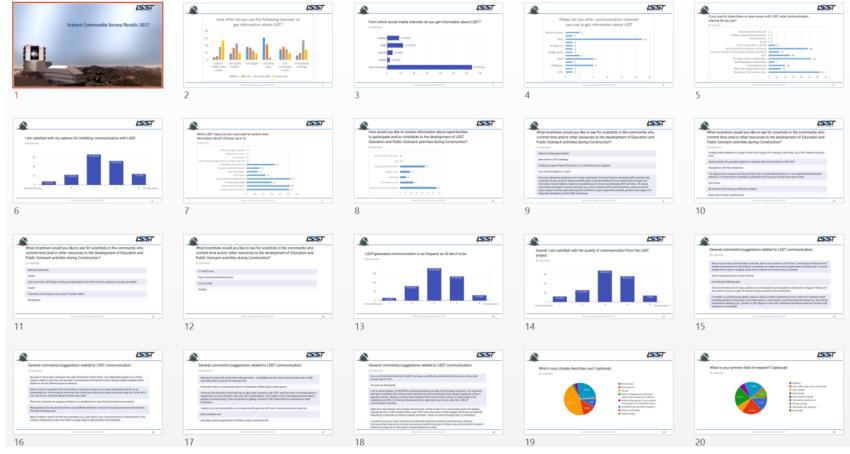






## **Annual Science Community Survey**

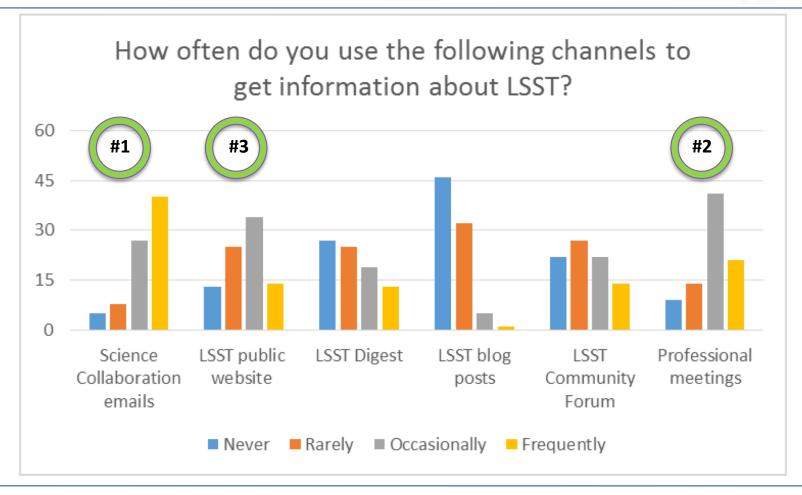






## Science Community - Survey results 2017 (1)





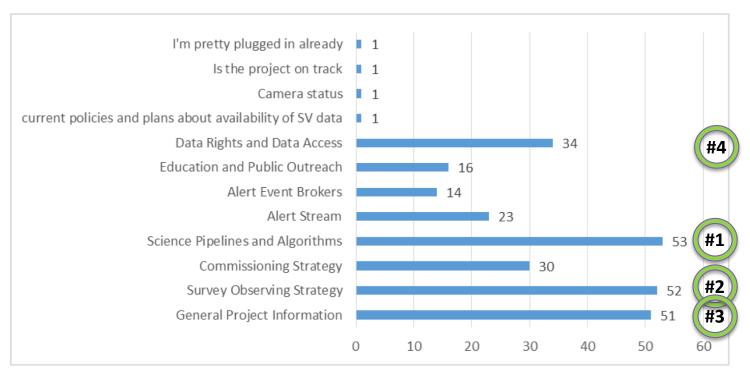


## Science Community - Survey results 2017 (2)



# Which LSST topics do you most want to receive more information about? (Choose up to 3)

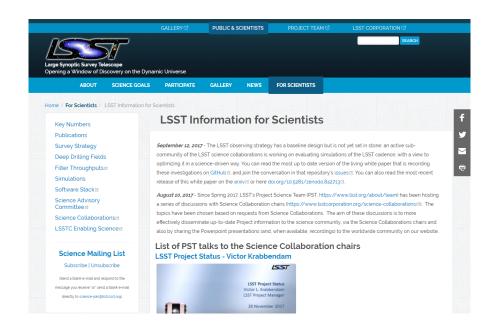
85 responses





## Current vs Desired



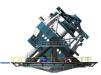


The community **want** information on (top 4 only):

- 1. Science Pipelines and algorithms
- 2. Survey obs strategy
- 3. General project information
- 4. Data Rights and Data Access

They generally get information from (top 3 only):

- 1.Sci Collab Email
- 2. Professional meetings
- 3.LSST website (<a href="https://www.lsst.org/scientists">https://www.lsst.org/scientists</a>)



#### Review committee



### **Members**

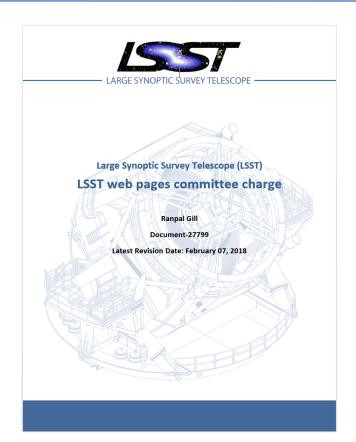
- Federica Bianco TVS Collab
- Dara Norman Galaxies Collab (&LCSC-NOAO)
- Michelle Bannister Solar system or
- Aprajita Verma strong lensing
- Ranpal Gill LSST PO

#### Chair

Federica Bianco - TVS Collab

## Support

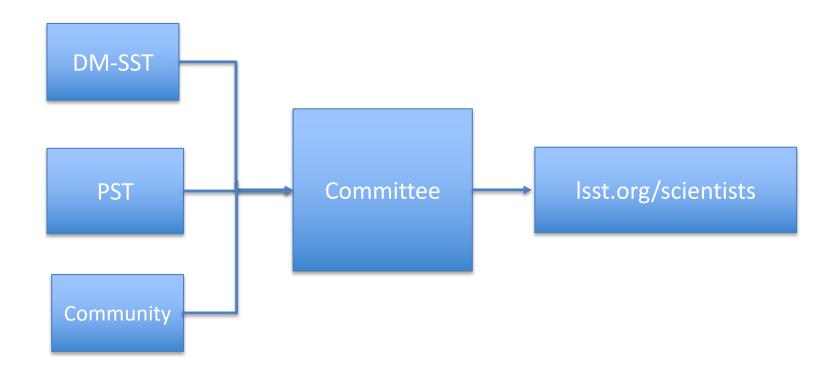
- Ranpal Gill
- Emily Acosta

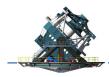




## Review & Feedback

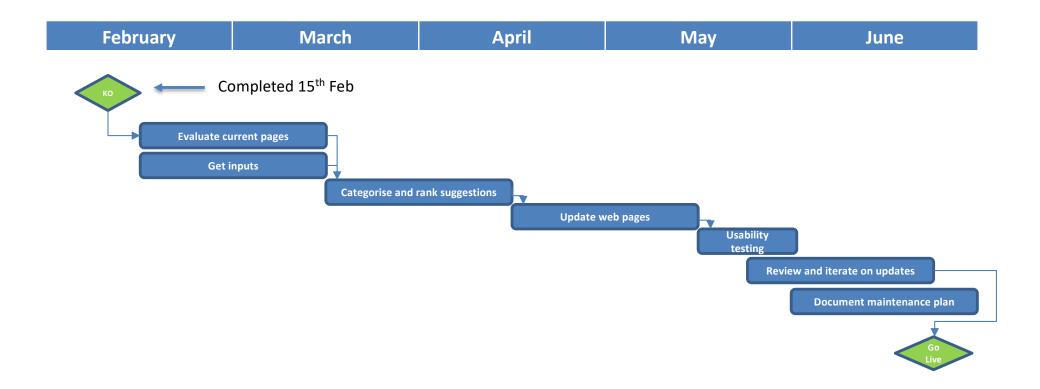






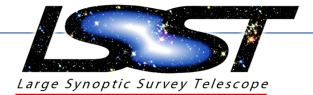
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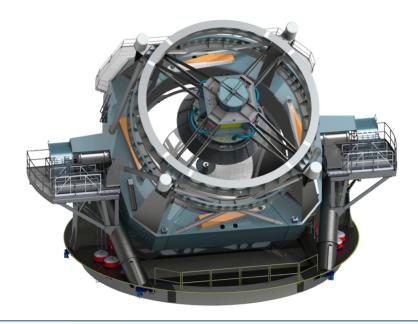








## **Other Channels**





## Digest



## LSST News Digest for 14February2018

[Also posted and archived at https://www.lsst.org/news/digest]

#### PROJECT & SCIENCE NEWS - Noticias del Proyecto

A meeting of AURA's Management Council for LSST (AMCL) took place in Tucson on January 29-30. The AMCL, which meets three tir LSST. AURA President Matt Mountain was present along with LSST Senior Management for a productive agenda of presentations and Washington, DC.

The LSST Overview paper will be issued soon; to prepare for this, the Project Office has initiated verification of the "Builders List" in members.

LSST's Auxiliary Telescope, which has been under refurbishment at the LSST Project Office in Tucson, will soon undergo functional te about the Auxiliary Telescope and its role in the LSST survey in this recent news post.

The Dark Energy Science Collaboration (DESC) winter meeting was held at at SLAC on February 5-9. More than 170 participants atte Camera clean room. The meeting kicked off with the 7th edition of Dark Energy School, a one-day interactive session designed to pr



## Digest



#### LSST News Digest for 31January2018

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The 231st AAS Meeting concluded on January 12 in National Harbor, MD. LSST hosted a well-attended Town Hall during the meeting; slides from presentations give at the event are available here. LSST also staffed an exhibit booth (photo here) in the NSF Pavilion throughout the meeting.

To alleviate persistent communications challenges with terminology LSST will no longer use the Data Management terms "Level 1," "Level 2," and "Level 3" for com data products. Instead we will use the clearer terms "Prompt Products," "Data Release Products," and "User Generated Products," respectively. This terminology is product types in Project documents. A selection of community-facing Project documents and webpages are being updated to reflect the change.

A Provisional Acceptance Test of the washing facility will take place later this month at the Von Ardenne facilities in Dresden, Germany. The review includes observe by LSST Coating Chamber Engineer Tomislav Vicuna. This special machinery will remove the old mirror coating and wash the mirror prior to moving it into the coati process for washing and coating LSST's mirrors can be found in this recent news item.

The Back Flange of the LSST Camera was received at SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory last week (click here for a photo). Fabricated from a single piece of alum NY, the Back Flange provides structural support for the rest of the Camera and is the mechanical interface between the Camera and Telescope. At SLAC, purge line | next few months. Then it will be shipped to IN2P3 in France, where it will be integrated with the filter exchange carousel and auto changer.



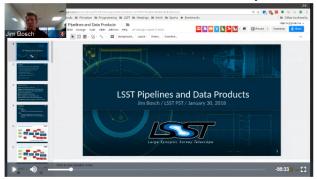
### **Events**



#### **PCW**



## PST-Sci Collab - Monthly









## AAS









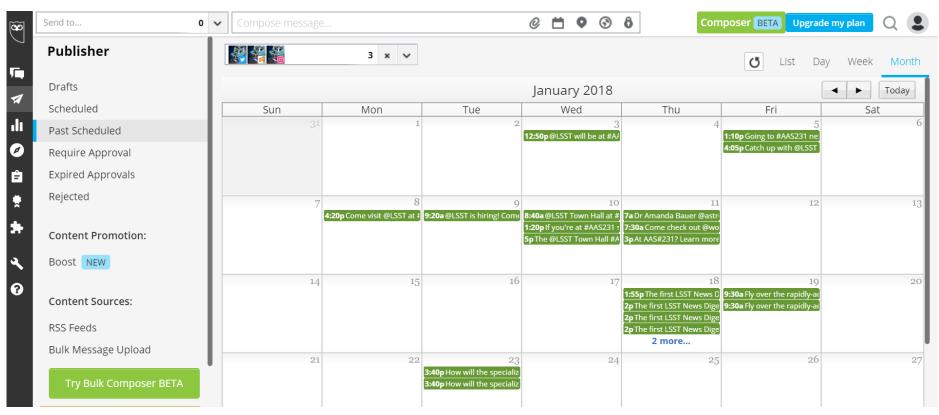
White paper timeline Science Collaboration posters





## Social Media

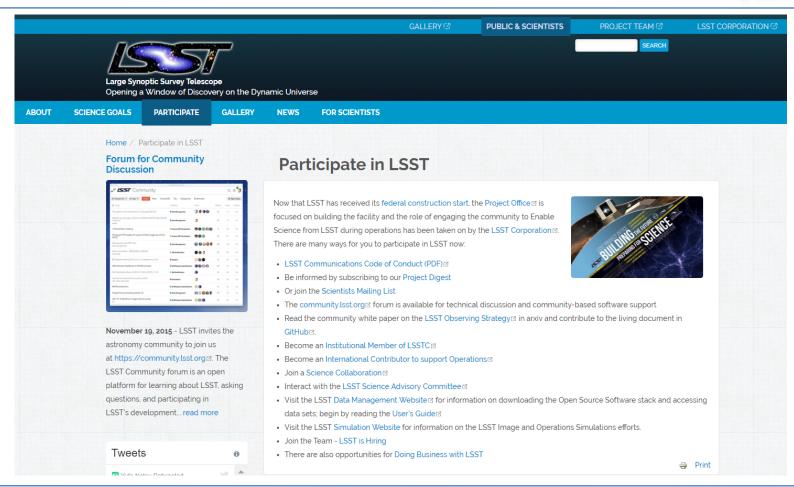






#### Website

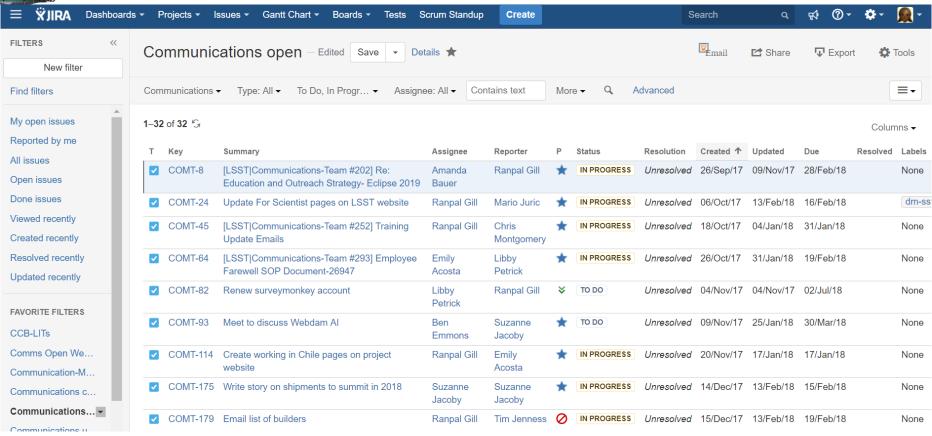






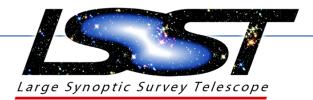
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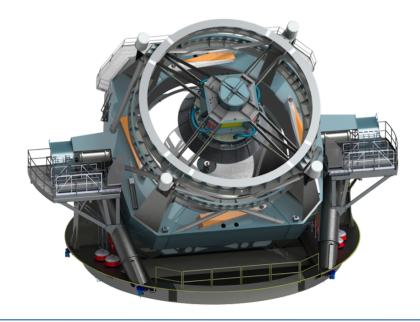








## **LSST Community Science Center**





## LSST Community Science Center Development



- NOAO was asked by NSF in 2016 to lead the development of an "LSST Community Science Center" concept
- Initial concept developed by NOAO internal task force
- Community-based LSST Community Science Center (LCSC) Working Group recruited and convened to develop concept and priorities more completely
- Multiple telecons over several months, plus one face-to-face meeting in Tucson in August 2017
- Final WG report was delivered to NOAO in Sep/Oct 2017

Led by Adam Bolton and Dara Norman (NOAO Community Science and Data Center) Slides provided by A. Bolton.



## NOAO's Community Science and Data Center



#### **Current Programs**

#### **NOAO** Data Lab

Platform for science with large public survey datasets

#### **ANTARES Project**

Scalable community "event broker" for LSST alert stream

Archiving, processing, and distribution of NOAO telescope data

Telescope proposal review and time allocation

**US National Gemini Office** 

Interface to the Gemini Observatory for the US community

Thirty Meter Telescope Liaison



## LCSC Working Group Charge



(abridged)

## To identify and articulate

- 1. Goals, requirements, and aspirations for community science with LSST, and
- 2. Priorities for support and infrastructure that an LSST Community Science Center should provide to enable this science.



## LCSC WG membership



- M. Virginia McSwain (Lehigh University, co-chair)
- Dara Norman (NOAO, co-chair)
- Federica Bianco (New York University)
- Will Clarkson (University of Michigan, Dearborn)
- Suvi Gezari (University of Maryland)
- Melissa Graham (University of Washington)
- Henry Hsieh (Planetary Science Institute)
- Bryan Miller (Gemini Obs.)
- Travis Rector (University of Alaska)
- Steve Ridgway (NOAO)
- Abi Saha (NOAO)
- Marcelle Soares-Santos (Fermi Lab)
- Lou Strolger (STScI)
- Kathy Vivas (NOAO)

Diverse representation from US LSST science community



## LCSC WG High-Level Recommendations



- 1. Facilitate, curate, and improve communication about LSST for the broad US astronomical user community
- 2. Support and train the US astronomical user community for data-intensive science in the LSST era, focusing on Data Lab, ANTARES, and the LSST Science Platform
- 3. Lead community and institutional efforts across the OIR system to develop new infrastructure, practices, and policies for LSST time-domain follow-up observing
- 4. Facilitate community-wide development of the case for a 10m-class wide-field spectroscopic telescope, and maximize public access to other LSST follow-up facilities



## Open Questions to discuss w/ SAC



- Need to define and clarify LSST's/NOAO's/LSSTC's roles and responsibilities for communicating with the science community.
- How can NOAO's communications efforts best complement LSST's? For example – NOAO hosts the US National Gemini Office, and an associated website. Do dual website add value, or add confusion?



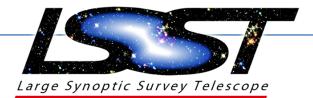
#### Rename LSST



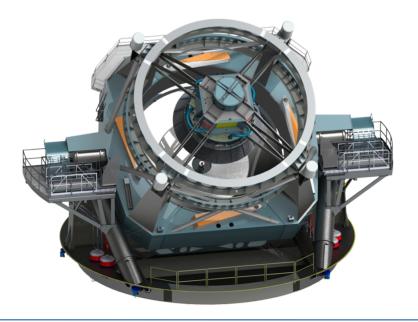
- Planning has started!
- Initiative to name *The Survey*
- Align with Camera Installed milestone Q4 2020
- "Community sourced" naming
- Prize to be worked out
- Hopefully facilitated by branding consultants
- Committee to be stood up to include LSSTC, AURA, SLAC...







## Thank you





## Discussion/feedback



- Do you have any feedback on the initiatives described?
- Any comments on the Annual Science Community Survey?
- Is there something that we are not doing and should be?