

MAVEN Status And Update

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Go Atlas, Go Centaur, Go MAVEN!









MAVEN Will Allow Us to Understand Escape of Atmospheric Gases to Space







Mission Summary (Phase E)



Observatory

FEB	MAR	APR
G	G	G

<u>Payloads</u>	FEB	MAR	APR
Remote Sensing Package	G	G	G
NGIMS	G	G	G
Particle and Fields Package	G	G	G
Electra	G	G	G

Ground Systems/Mission Operations

FEB	MAR	APR
G	G	G

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Procurement

Cost

Schedule

Manpower

Travel

FEB	MAR	APR
G	G	G
G	G	G
G	G	G
G	G	G
G	G	G

<u>Systems</u>	FEB	MAR	APR
Requirements Analysis	G	G	G
Observatory Resources	G	G	G

As of 5/5/14





Where Is MAVEN Today?



14 May 2014 18:30:00.000 Days to Mars Arrival (MisElap): -130/02:00:00.000



Geometry At Arrival



21 Sep 2014 18:30:00.000 Days to Mars Arrival (MisElap): -0/02:00:00.000



Cruise Phase Timeline Showing Upcoming Events





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Mars Orbit Insertion Process







- MOI will occur on 9/21/14 (ET)
- Sequence activates 3 days out
- Performed 3-day MOI STL test
- 60-day Command Moratorium prior to MOI
- ~34-minute MOI burn; capture into orbit after about 30 minutes



- Nominal 5.5-week transition phase to commission spacecraft and get ready for science
- Maneuvers to put us into science mapping orbit
 - Multiple Period Reduction Maneuvers (lower apoapsis) and Periapsis Lowering Maneuvers (lower periapsis)
- Deployment of booms
 - Articulated Payload Platform (IUVS, STATIC, NGIMS); calibration of APP pointing
 - SWEA boom
 - LPW booms
- NGIMS break-of-cap ejection
- Instrument and Electra check-out
- Testing of Periapsis Timing Estimator (PTE) algorithms
- End-to-end test of relay communications with MSL

Comet Siding Spring Encounter



- Close approach to Mars (~135,000 km) on 19 Oct.
- Analysis of dust risk being coordinated by JPL
- Possible risk mitigation options on the MAVEN spacecraft
 - Phase spacecraft location in orbit to allow shielding by Mars at time of peak risk
 - Point least-vulnerable face of spacecraft into dust flow
 - Spacecraft and instruments in safe state
 - Delay deployment of booms
 - Stay in insertion orbit due to added distance from comet
- Potential science observations
 - Strong desire to make observations of Mars (before/after) and comet
 - Spacecraft and instrument health and safety, and ops team health and safety, are primary considerations
 - Would require interrupting transition phase, and would delay start of science mapping
 - Planning of options in process
- Planned decision date on mitigations and observations of June 2



- The MAVEN spacecraft and instruments are all operating nominally.
- Budget (actuals through launch, estimated through Phase E) will under-run; actual amount being determined as part of annual budget process
- The MAVEN team is fully focused on system checkouts/calibrations, operations, preparation for MOI and for transition phase, and preparations for science
- There are significant events occurring between now and science ops
- Comet Siding Spring mitigation options and science observations are in work, and decisions will be made in early June
- We're on track for Mars Orbit Insertion on September 21st at 10:00 p.m. EDT and for start of science mapping in early November

