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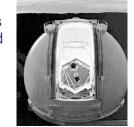


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## 2009A NASA Keck Time Solicitation

For Professional Research Using the NASA Allocation for Telescope Observing Time at the W.M. Keck Observatory

NASA's proposal solicitation for 2009A (February 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009) as well as CoRoT Key Science time is now closed. Successful Pls will be notified in late November 2008.



Non-binding letters of intent are due August 15, 2008. Proposals are due on September 8, 2008, at 4 pm PDT.

- General Information and Guidelines for NASA Keck Telescope Time
  - NASA intends the use of the Keck telescopes to be highly strategic in support of on-going missions and/or high priority, long term science goals. Thus NASA Headquarters has opened up the NASA Keck call to a wider range of disciplines beginning with the 2009A semester. See the link above for more details.
  - In order to determine a rough volume of and topic range of proposals, we ask that you send a notice of intent to KeckCFP@ipac.caltech.edu by August 15. The notices are not binding and not required in order to propose for 2009A time.
  - Frequently Asked Questions Page
- Application Procedures for NASA Observing Time at Keck Observatory
  - The opportunity to propose as Principal Investigators for the NASA time on the Keck Telescopes is open to all U.S.-based astronomers. ("U.S.-based astronomers" have their principal affiliation at a U.S. institution.)
  - Online proposal submission site
- <u>Supporting Information</u>: The following documents provide additional information that is updated once a semester if necessary. The "new icon" ( ) indicates that updates have been made since last semester.
  - №₩ WMKO Instrumentation Page discusses curent instrumentation and capabilities as well as any new instrumentation available on a time-swap basis with Gemini-N, Gemini-S and Subaru
  - Keck Interferometer Nuller is available on an fully operational basis
  - Keck Telescope Users Guide
  - NASA Keck Users' Bibliography
  - <u>Visitor Instruments at the Keck Telescopes</u> CARA does not support visitor instruments at the present.
  - <u>Service Observing</u> The Keck Interferometer is offered only in a service observing mode. CARA does not anticipate having service observing time available on other instruments in the near future.
  - NASA-Keck Research Lists NASA observing time awards since 1996B

The **NASA KECK TIME SOLICITATION INFORMATION** web site is a source of information for professional researchers who wish to submit proposals for the NASA allocation of observing time at the W. M. Keck Observatory.

For general public information, please visit the Keck Home Page.

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