



GLAST

Science Policy Document Outline Action Item GUC Meeting June 2005

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Planned Sections

- Introduction and Scope
- Processes
 - How Policy is Made
 - Policy Document Control
 - Complaint and Appeal
- Science Observing Policy
- Data Management Policy
- GO Program
- Internal Project Policy That May Impact Users
- Publication Policy



Processes

How Policy is Made (Policy Policy)

- Project Scientist controls document, with concurrence from HQ and GUC (through the chair).
- Policy document shall be posted on GSSC website and GUC website.

Policy Document Control

Baseline, tracking and revision

Complaint and Appeal

 Address process for different issues: peer review, data product/software/support related



Science Observing Policy

- TOOs: define (planned peer review, unplanned MDT); scheduling path and timing
- Discretionary time (MDT) (see other action item slides)
- Observing
 - definition of sky survey
 - observing plan for year 1
 - target fractions of scan vs point after year 1; peer review process after year 1 and consultation with GUC and Instrument Pls.
 - timeline planning responsibilities
 - replan and reobservation granting policy in case of errors or other problems
 - GRB repoints
 - calibrations, engineering times
- Control of observatory operations parameters affecting science



Data (and associate SW) Management

- Year 1 vs later years
- Year 1 data release policy
- Archive plan and access
- Policy for data categories
 - science (including TOOs), alerts, raw instrument data,
 calibration, housekeeping and engineering data, etc.
- Policy on availability of each level of processed data
- Data discarding policy
- IDS roles and data access

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GO Program

- Purpose/Goals of GO program
- Types of support (GO, theory, large projects, legacy, etc.) and who is eligible. Conflict of interest policy for GLAST-funded staff.
- Observing proposals
 - who is eligible
 - peer review and selection guidance
- Multiwavelength planning, coordination, and observing support
- Fellows program
- Consultation with Instrument Teams in Peer Review Process
- Note: details of GO program expected to be contained in NRA, grant terms and conditions, and possibly a Science Solicitation Plan (cf Chandra SSP).

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Internal Policy Affecting Users

- Any agreements between project and Pls (and between Pls) affecting observing and data
- Science research time available to GSSC staff
- Policy on instrument team membership of GSSC staff

Publication Policies

- Required acknowledgements
- Reference instrument team publication policies
- LAT use of GBM data during year 1



Suggested Schedule & Responsibilities

- would like inputs (bullets fine) for outline and for each section
 - inputs welcome from any GUC member, but would like to assign at least one person for each section to give inputs.
 Deadline: 20 June
- revised outline: Steve and Roger, 27 June
- first rough draft by Steve to Roger by 15 July, iterate
- second draft by Steve by 15 August
- draft to GUC in time for a GUC telecon (mid-Sept?)
- Aim to have document baselined (a few TBXs likely) for initial release sometime soon after the next GUC F2F meeting.
 - subsequent review linked to first NRA

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Inputs for Sections

- Introduction and Scope (who)
- Processes (who)
 - How Policy is Made
 - Policy Document Control
 - Complaint and Appeal
- Science Observing Policy (who)
- Data Management Policy (who)
- GO Program (who)
- Internal Project Policy That May Impact Users (who)
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WHAT ELSE IS MISSING?