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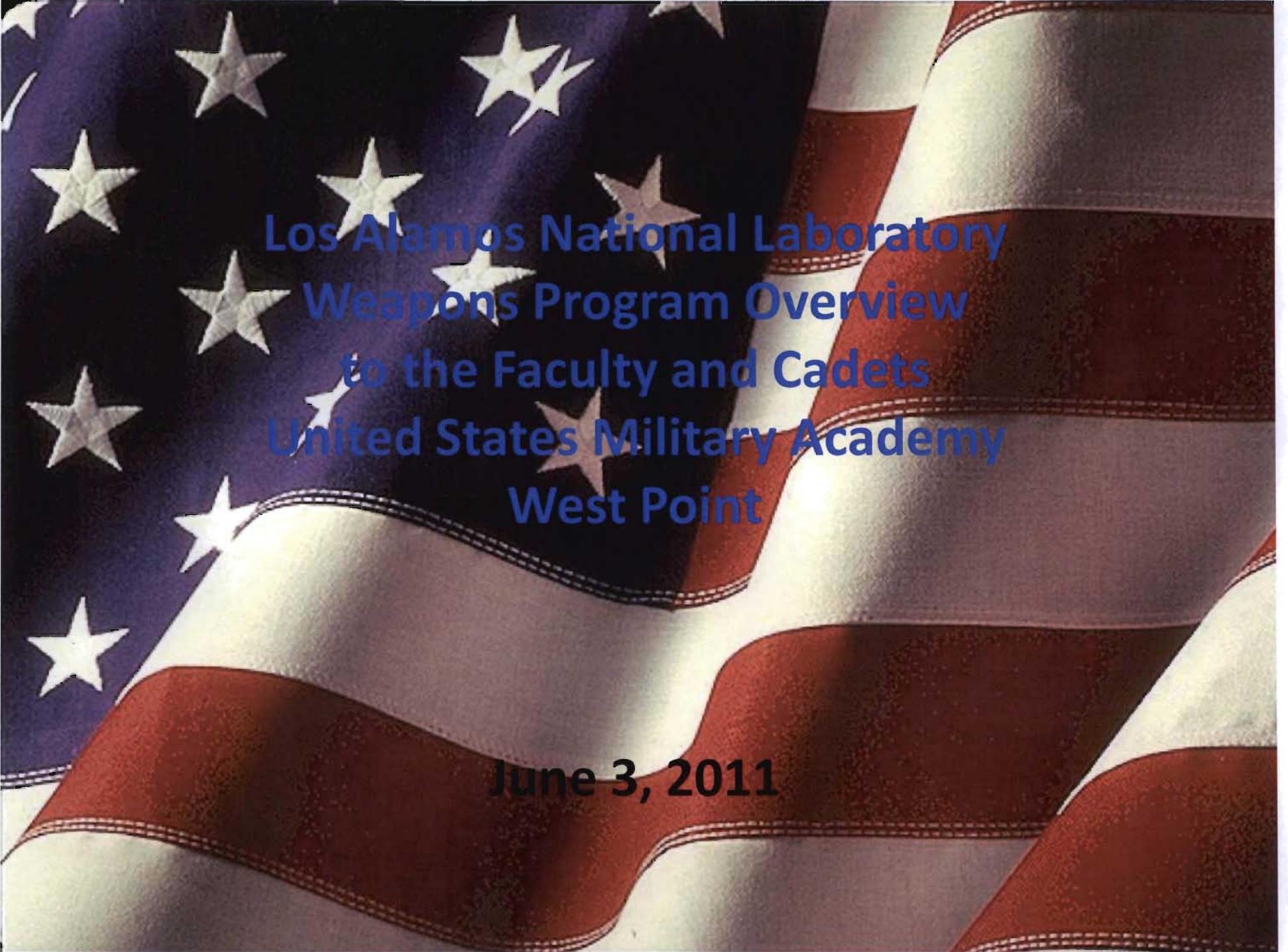
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A close-up, high-angle photograph of an American flag. The stars are in the upper left corner, and the red, white, and blue stripes are visible across the rest of the frame, creating a textured, layered effect.

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# Today's Discussion Topics

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- LANL and the Nuclear Enterprise
- Lab Organization Update
- FY11 Budget & outlook for FY12
- Warhead responsibilities
- Stockpile Stewardship
  - Experimental and computational capabilities
  - Annual assessment
- Improvised Explosive Device work



Oppenheimer and General Groves statutes dedicated  
Fuller Lodge May 17, 2011

# LANL is part of the nuclear security enterprise that is delivering on its national security commitments

## National Laboratories and Test Site



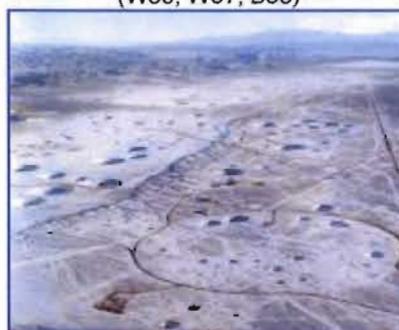
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Los Alamos, New Mexico  
Nuclear design lab  
(B61, W76, W78, W88)



**Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory**  
Livermore, California  
Nuclear design lab  
(W80, W87, B83)



**Sandia National Laboratories**  
Systems engineering, neutron generators, and non-nuclear component  
  
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**Nevada National Security Site**  
Nevada  
Experimental site and "subcritical" nuclear material tests

## Production Complex



**Pantex Plant**  
Amarillo, Texas  
Weapons assembly/disassembly



**Kansas City Plant**  
Kansas City, Missouri  
Nonnuclear manufacturing/Procurement



**Y-12 National Security Complex**  
Oak Ridge, Tennessee



**Savannah River Site**  
Aiken, South Carolina  
Tritium operations

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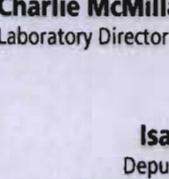
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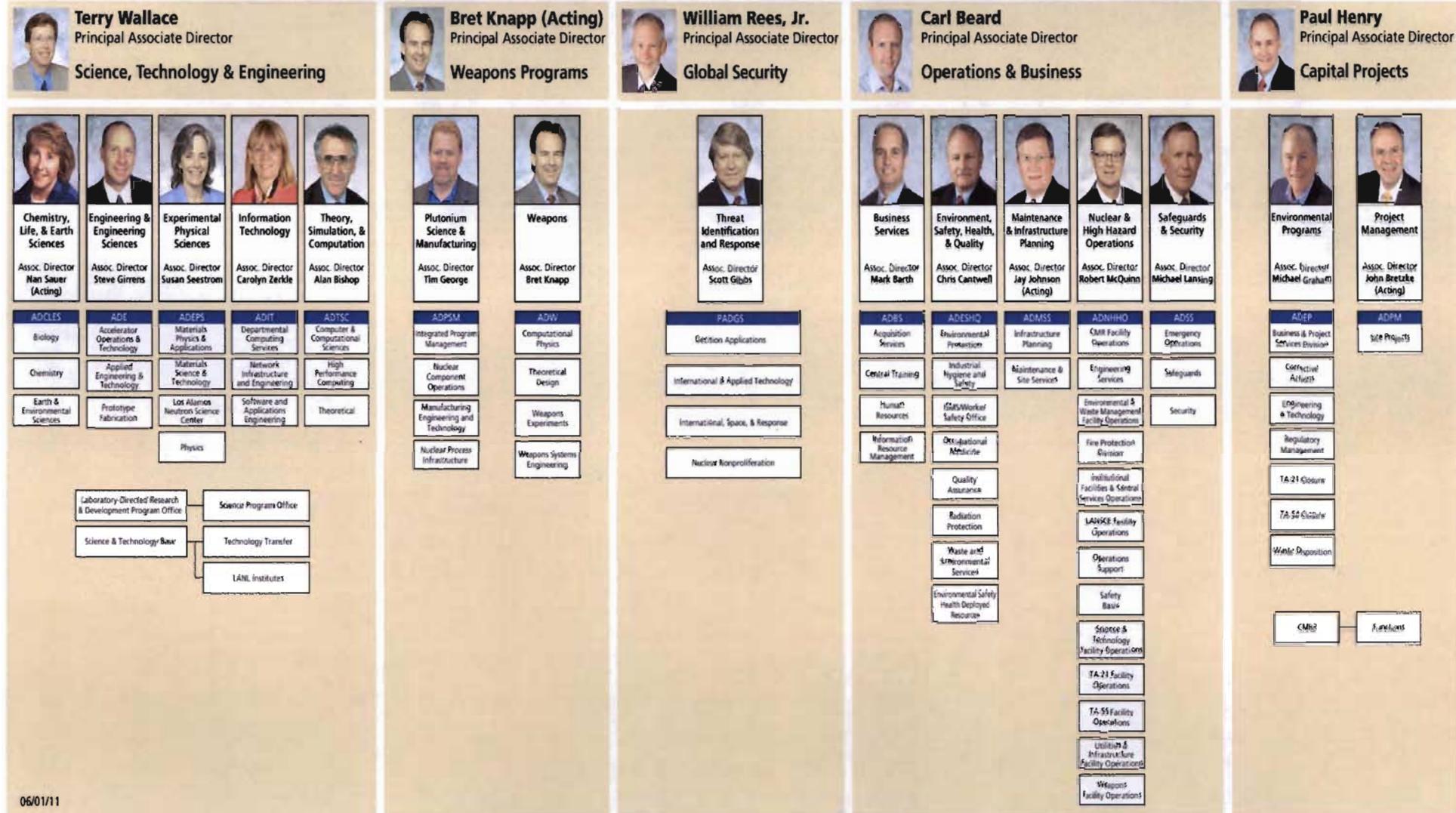


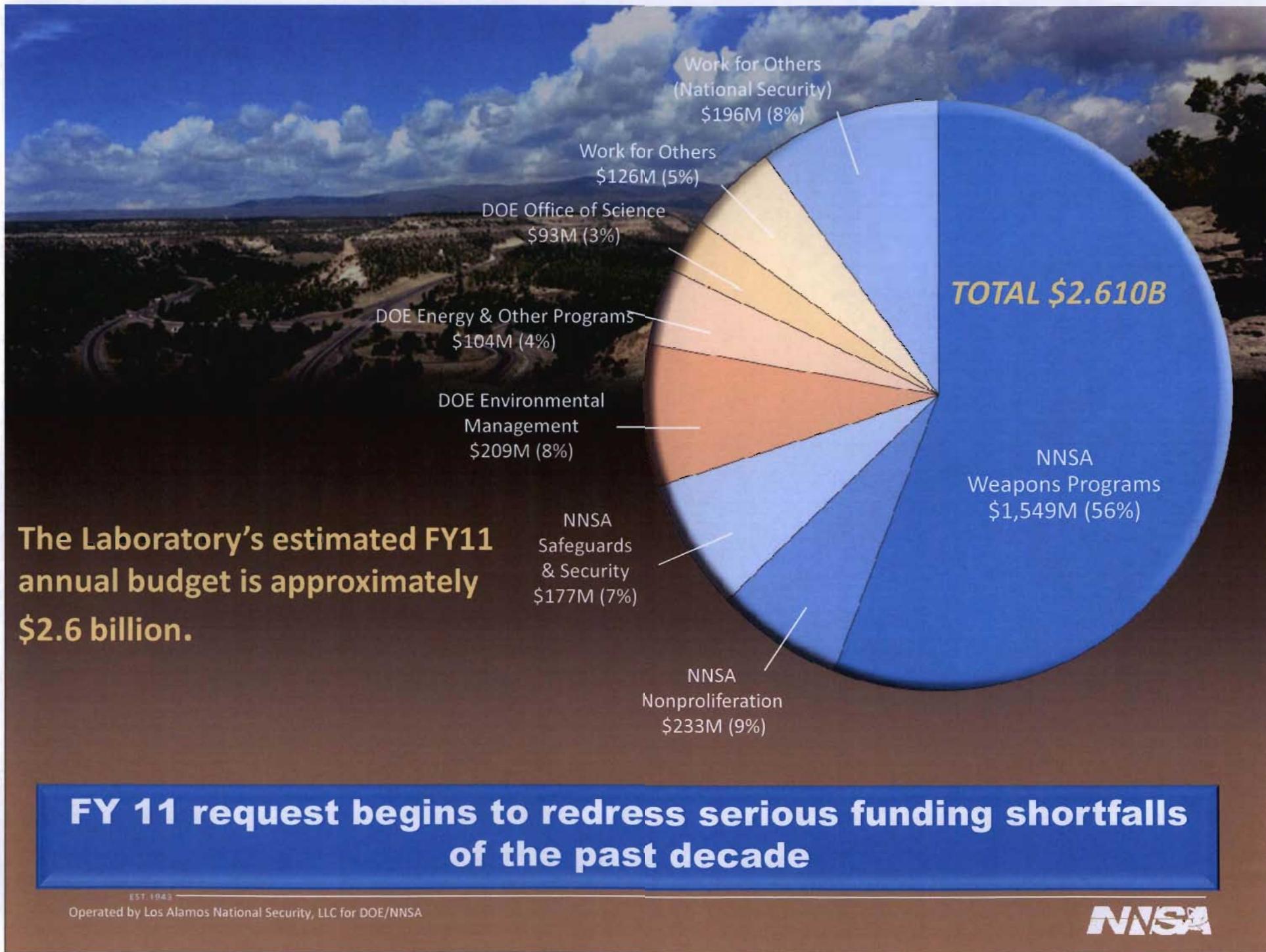
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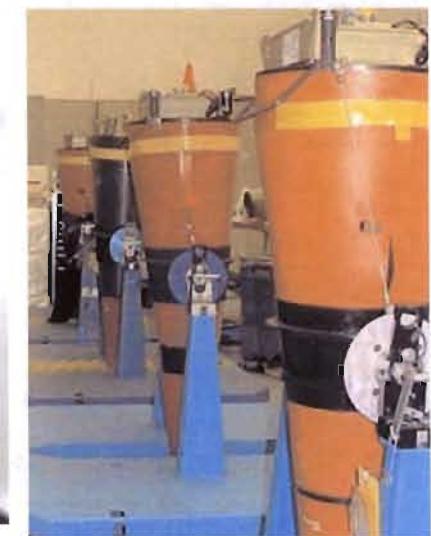
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# LANL is the design laboratory for the majority of the Nation's deterrent

- LANL is the design laboratory for:
  - W76 SLBM
  - W88 SLBM
  - B61 Gravity bomb
  - W78 ICBM
- Each Triad leg offers complimentary and reinforcing benefits



# LANL is fully committed to meeting the 2017 First Production Unit (FPU) for B61-12

- Sustaining the air breathing leg (B61 and B83) of the nuclear Triad is critical.
  - LANL has made alts and mods to the system over its many decades of service
- Significant experimental (small scale and DARHT) computational (Cielo) and engineering capabilities (WETF and Sigma) are being devoted to this effort
- Novel technologies to improve B61
- LANL will complete design cost review in Sept. setting stage for Nuclear Weapons Council action in Nov.



# LANL maintains a carefully balanced three part weapons program to sustain the Nation's deterrent

- **Stockpile management**
  - B61 Life Extension Program (LEP)
  - Support to plants on W76 LEP
  - Complete build of W88 pits begin work on W87 pits
- **Science, technology and engineering investments**
  - Use science tools to generate data to support assessment and resolve stockpile issues
- **Infrastructure investments**
  - Create modern, state-of-the-art facilities to sustain laboratory capabilities
  - Hire and train next generation



# LANL's unique science and engineering infrastructure a critical component of U.S. deterrent



Metropolis Center for Modeling & Simulation



High Explosive laboratories



Los Alamos Neutron Science Center



Plutonium Processing Facility



Chemistry and Metallurgy Building



Dual Axis Radiographic Hydrotest Facility



SIGMA Building



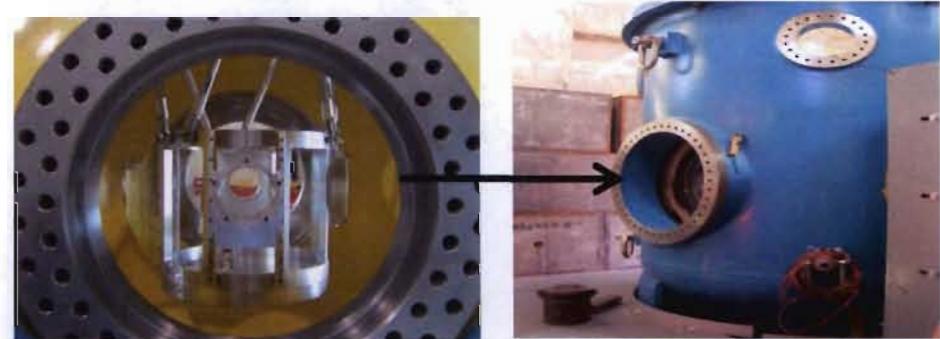
Chemistry & Metallurgy Research Replacement (RLUOB)

## DARHT world class imaging in support of the deterrent

- World class X-ray radiography for non-nuclear hydrodynamic tests
- Axis 1 single image, operational since 1999
- Axis 2 up to four images operational 2009
- World's first dual axis experiment December 2009
- 4 large scale dual axis hydros 2010
- Experiments fully contained to reduce environmental impacts and increase shot rate



DARHT Containment System

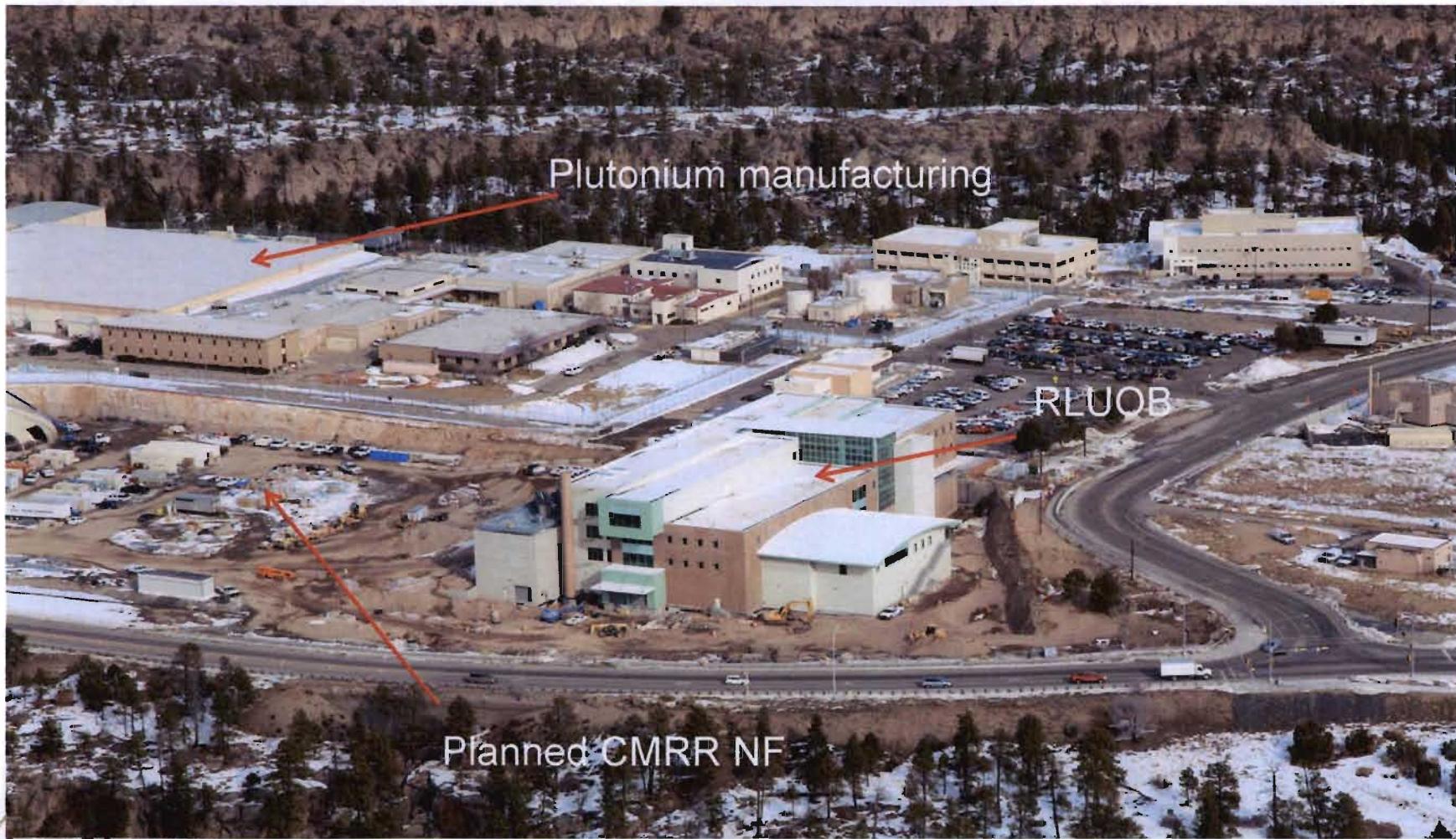


# Supercomputing critical to Stewardship and other scientific missions

- Stockpile challenges are increasingly complex as systems continue to age
- DARHT, LANSCE etc provide large data sets to resolve stockpile challenges
  - Data sets require ever more capable machines that can quickly process information
- Road Runner world's first machine to operate at 1.105 petaflops (million billion calculations per second)
- Cielo on line Feb 2011@ 1.03 petaflops now upgraded to 1.35

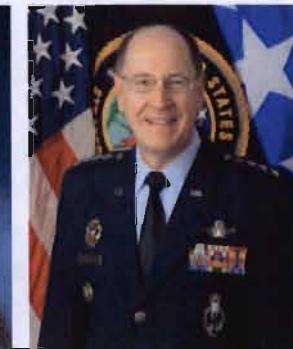


# TA-55 the Nation's center of plutonium science and manufacturing



# Annual Assessment– A statutory requirement and the highest priority of the Lab Director

- Detailed reports are prepared by lab staff on each warhead
- Lab Director briefed in detail by staff
- Lab Director issues letter to Secretaries of Defense & Energy and Chair of the NWC
- Lab Director briefs the Secretary of Energy
- STRATCOM prepares separate report and briefs the Secretary of Defense
- Secretaries of Defense & Energy brief the President
- President advises Congress



# LANL's HE science capabilities are being applied to the IED problem

- LANL's HE expertise in the areas of:
  - Homemade explosives - **explosives chemists**
  - Improvised explosive devices - **using HMEs in IED's or EFP's**
  - Small scale testing - **safety and sensitivity**
  - Detection - **properly identifying HMEs**
  - HME database - **information tool for our troops**



# Realistic training scenarios reinforce class room knowledge to troops



# 2011 weapons program is meeting key scientific and engineering deliverables to support national security

- **Barolo A and B Subcritical Experiments, and Plutonium Stepwedge Studies** executed at U1a on schedule yielding archival data and completing the Bacchus/Barolo Series
- **Cielo** delivering on applications for all 3 labs; Cielo performance upgrade from 1.03 to 1.37 PF/s completed
- **Critical Experiments Facility (CEF) Line Item Project** received CD-4 & Authorization to start nuclear operations in DAF
- **Complete build of WR 88 pits:** 1<sup>st</sup> FY 11 WR pit 11/4/10; 2<sup>nd</sup> pit 3/29/11; 3<sup>rd</sup> pit 4/29/11; 4<sup>th</sup> and final W88 WR pit August
- **Working with plants in support of W76-1**
- **W78** close long standing SFI using DARHT experiment data
- **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Assessment** process underway
- **B61-12** meeting milestones in support of FPU
- **CMRR/NF** supporting a number of independent reviews by Secretary of Energy, Bechtel, DoD, GAO. Lawsuit by Los Alamos Study Group to stop work on CMRR/NF **denied** by Federal Judge



# 2011 is a challenging year for the program

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- **Build upon the technical/programmatic success of the last several years**
  - DARHT experiments
  - Cielo deployment and upgrade to 1.35 petaflops
  - B61 LEP
  - RLUOB and CMRR/NF
  - Provide innovative options for stockpile sustainment
- **Guide lab thru first significant management change since contract transition in 2006**
- **Enhance relationships with DoD and military service customers**
  - STRATCOM, Global Strike, USAF, USN, military academies
- **Sustain and expand Congressional support for Stockpile Stewardship program**
- **Manage budget challenges of FY12**