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NS-53 Launch Postponed!

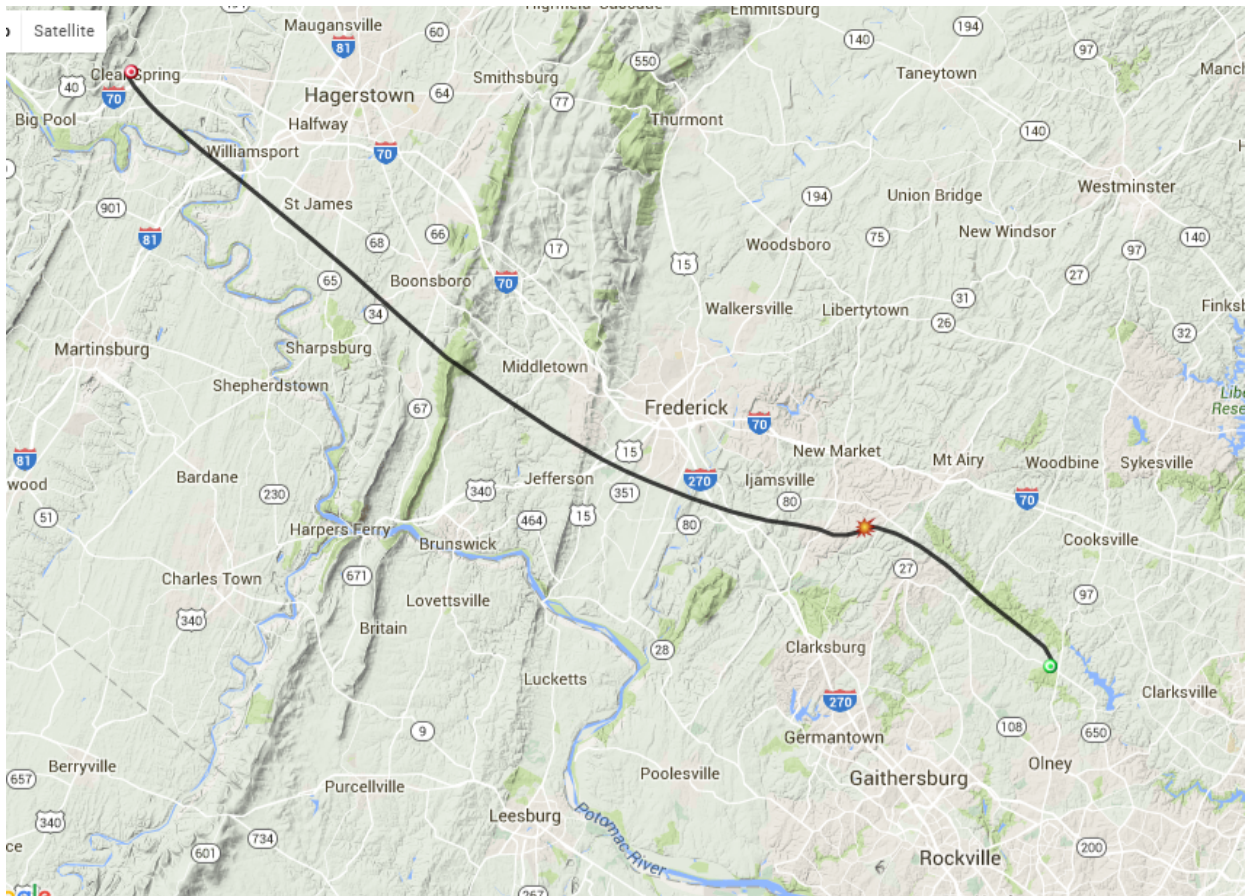
NS-53 has been **postponed** to **Sunday, April 24** due for better weather conditions and a more favorable ground track.

The time and location remain the same at Clear Springs Elementary School (12627 Broadfording Rd, Clear Spring, MD 21722) around 8 AM.

Link to Google Maps [here](#).

The launch team will meet at the Space Systems Lab parking lot at 4:30 AM Saturday morning, arriving at the Clear Spring McDonalds around 6:15 AM. Set up will begin in the parking lot of Clear Spring Elementary School at 7 AM, and the balloon and payload release will occur between 8 AM and 9 AM.

Current Ground Track Predictions



Ground track for Sunday is slightly longer than our previous predictions but follows I-70, allowing the chase portion of our flight easier.

Any Questions?

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Live Updates

You can follow our live tweetup of the launch day [here](#).

You can also track us on the [APRS website](#) using UMD's callsign: **W3EAX-9**.

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