

Towards a Future Long-Baseline Neutrino Experiment

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Outline

- Worldwide development
- European Strategy/US P5
- Fermilab International Facility Host
- Post P5 Actions
- Current status and goals



Worldwide Development

- Regional development for > 10 years
 - NNN conference series since 1999
 - LAGUNA/LBNO Design Studies final report Aug. 2014
 - DUSEL -> LBNE CDR and DOE "CD-1" approval Jan. 2013
 - (Hyper-Kamiokande small matter effect)
- Technology
 - Water, Liquid, Scintillator, Liquid Argon
 - Liquid Argon TPC convergence for long baseline



European Strategy/US P5

- European Strategy for Particle Physics (May 2013)
 - CERN should develop a neutrino programme to pave the way for a substantial European role in future long-baseline experiments. Europe should explore the possibility of major participation in leading longbaseline neutrino projects in the US and Japan.
- Particle Physics Project Prioritization Panel (May 2014)
 - Recommendation 13: Form a new international collaboration to design and execute a highly capable Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility (LBNF) hosted by the U.S. To proceed, a project plan and identified resources must exist to meet the minimum requirements in the text. LBNF is the highest-priority large project in its timeframe.



Fermilab LBNF Host

- Fermilab is organizing to host an <u>international</u> facility to support a long-baseline neutrino experiment
- Major lab focus on PIP-II (Proton Improvement Plan) leading to mega-watt class source for neutrinos
- Committed to building infrastructure for far/near sites
- Discussing with DOE, CERN, non-US funding agencies how to "internationalize" the lab
 - e.g. Working Group on Int'l Project Management for LBNF
- New Neutrino Division (led by Gina Rameika)
- Fermilab director Nigel Lockyer taking a direct role in the reformulation process

Rapid Post-P5 Action

- International Meeting for Large Neutrino Infrastructures, Paris, June 2014
 - Agencies reps. issue supportive statement
- Neutrino Summit 2014, Fermilab, July 2014
 - Invited list of PIs spanning world accel. nu community
- Interim International Executive Board, Sept 2014
 - "In principle" interest in a Fermilab-hosted facility + agencies
 - Develop a "Letter of Interest (LOI)" that would have broad acceptance
- Geotechnical Working Meeting at SURF, Oct 2014
 - Participation by iIEB reps. from LBNO and LBNE

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Status and Goals

- iIEB meeting this afternoon
 - Report from visit to Sanford Lab
 - Discussion of the draft LOI
 - Possibility of all-PI meeting(s) in December
- Goals
 - Form new collaboration; submit LOI with broad community support to January 2015 meeting of Fermilab Program Advisory Committee (PAC); dissolve LBNE, LBNO, iIEB
 - "Proposal" by summer 2015 PAC
 - Conceptual Design Report ~fall 2015

(E)LBNF R&D Coordination Goal

- Concept for future management/funding structure
 - Separation of infrastructure (accelerator complex, near/far sites incl. cryosystems) from detectors like CERN/LHC
 - Collaboration Proposes: Experimental program at Fermilab-hosted Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility
- Worldwide Coordination/Participation in both Facility and Experimental Program
- New collaboration coordination
 - LBNE CERN beam test and WA105
 - Other related LAr R&D and experiments

Path Forward

