

NuMI Repairs for Hot Components

(1 sievert = 100 rem)

Problem	On Contact	Repair	Method	
Target internal water leak		Removed target upstream window to drain water	Long handled tool through work-cell door	
Target drive jammed	55 r/hr	Diagnosis in place via camera, then swap target carriers	All remote operations via camera or behind shielding	
Resin beads stuck in Horn 1 water header		Blow and vacuum beads out of header with air	Work at top of module in place, behind shielding	
Horn 1 water leak at spray line ceramic	75 r/hr	Swap out section with compression fittings	Temporary shielding slot in front of work-cell	
Horn 2 ground fault		Put new foot on horn 2	Hands-on through work-cell door	
Horn 2 air leak at suction line ceramic	7 r/hr	Cut out old suction line, installed new line with compression fittings	Temporary shielding slot in front of work-cell	



NuMI Target Hall Radioactive Component Handling Considerations

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NuMI Target Hall Utilizes Three Basic Beamline Elements

- Horn Protection Baffle & Target Assembly
- Magnetic Focusing Horn 1
- Magnetic Focusing Horn 2

Basic Operational Criteria

- Protection baffle/target assembly and horn 1 require motion capability in beamline chase
- Shielding design should allow the position of horn 2 to be changed along the beamline to accommodate a LE, ME, and HE beamline configuration
- Low energy target design criteria is 10⁷ pulse, 1 year lifetime
- Focusing horn 1 design criteria is 10⁷ Pulse, 1 year lifetime

We anticipate changing failed horns and targets during the experiment



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Additional Design Specifications

- Positioning mechanism (i.e. module) should be reusable
- Main consideration is component change-out capability
- Secondary consideration is for very limited repair capability (e.g., repairable water leak on a component with relatively low residual activation level)
- Require a spent component storage area



All NuMI target hall beam components and innermost shield layers are installed / removed remotely with crane and cameras NBI2006 September 9, 2006 NuMI Repairs for Hot Components Jim Hylen / FNAL Page 4



Crane includes remote hook rotation.

Steel shielding block being moved.



Water line connections made up from behind shielding

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outer tube to turn swage lock nut at other end of tube

shielding stepped to reduce direct line-of-sight cracks





NuMI work cell for radio-activated components

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Shown during test-assembly above ground

Lead-glass windows (not shown)

Remote controlled door

Remotely installable top shielding



Remote 5-axis lift table puts components on bottom of alignment modules in work cell

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Numi target+baffle on lift table



Target on module, ready to crane into beam



Target Alignment Survey

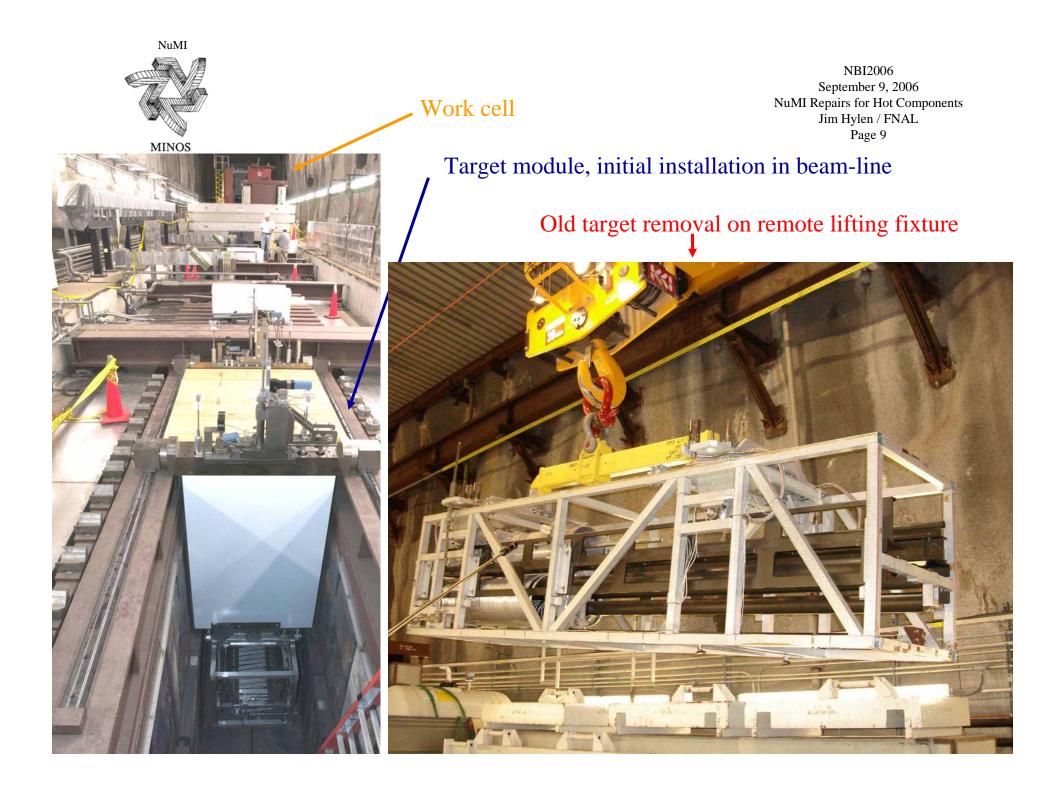
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Survey of target tip relative to target tooling balls

After mount of target carrier to module

Done through holes in work-cell lead-glass windows







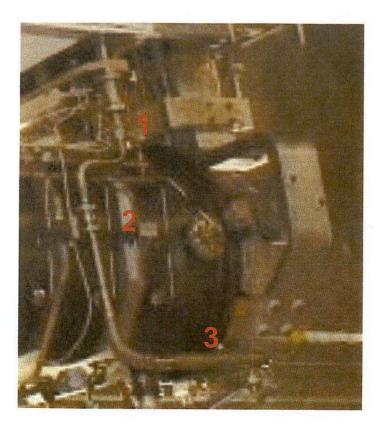
But did some repairs basically by hand





Horn 2 ceramic replacement was challenging because repair required cutting steel pipe NBI2006 September 9, 2006 NuMI Repairs for Hot Components Jim Hylen / FNAL Page 11

30 - 50 R/hr (0.3 - 0.5 Sv/hr) in chase around horn before horn removal



All Doserates in R/hr

After horn removal	0.C.	1 foot	~ 18"
1	8	4.5	3
2	7	4	3
3	5	3	2.5

Allowable ~ 1 minute per person at arms length

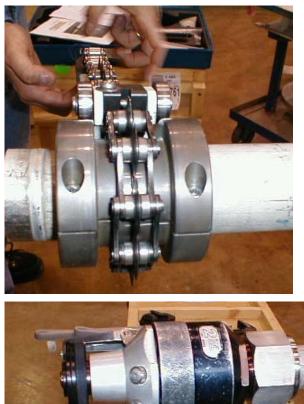


Some pictures from practice – also tried variety of techniques that were not used

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Set up temporary shielding with slot



Cut 2" steel pipe

No chips

Note alignment jig



Hydraulic Swaging of compression fitting



Horn 2 suction line ceramic replacement

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The ALARA plan estimated about 277 mrem to the repair crew including 25% for contingencies. (~ 1 mrem/second) The job was done with a total dose of 244 mrem (2.4 mSv)

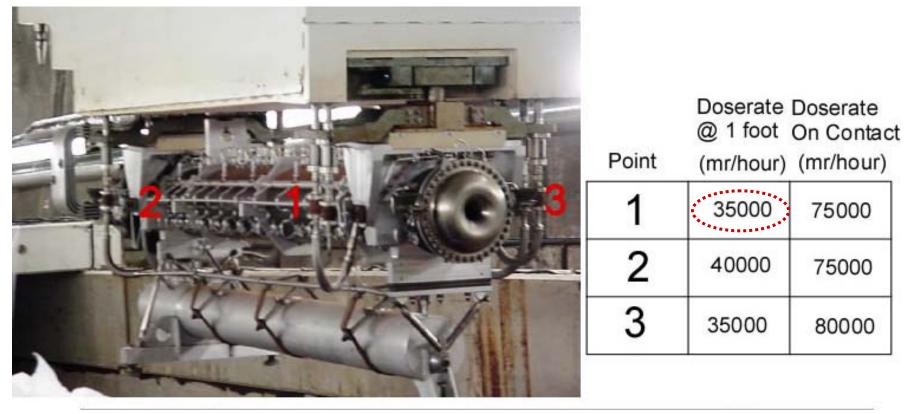
The careful planning, prototyping, fabrication of special tools, and practice paid off.



Horn 1 ceramic replacement was not as complicated, but rates were much higher

75 r/hr (0.75 Sv/hr) on contact 35 r/hr (0.53 Sv/hr) at 1 foot

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This was 10x as much as we had for the Horn 2 repair !

Repair person would get weekly dose limit in a few seconds



Shielding for job

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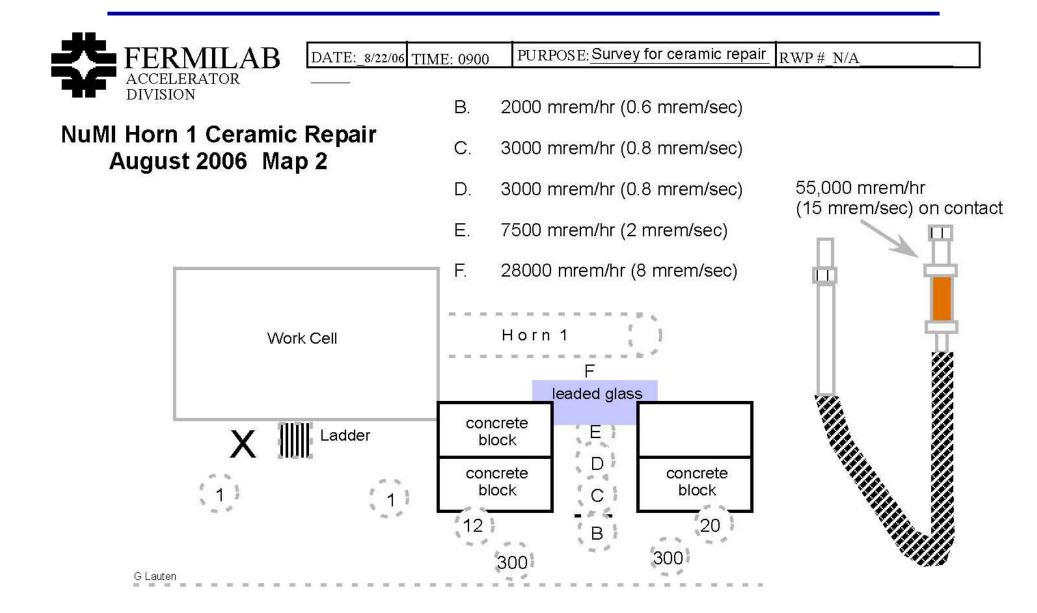


Built an extension of the work-cell with window for work

(Horn is in work-cell, behind the door)

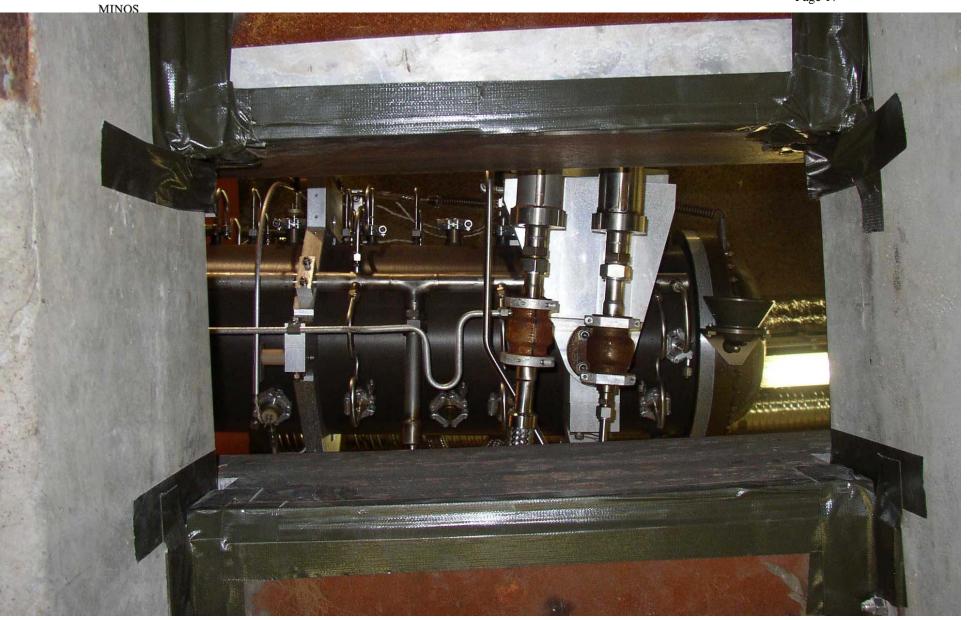


Shielding cut dose for most steps by a factor of three or more





View of horn 1 through shielding slot





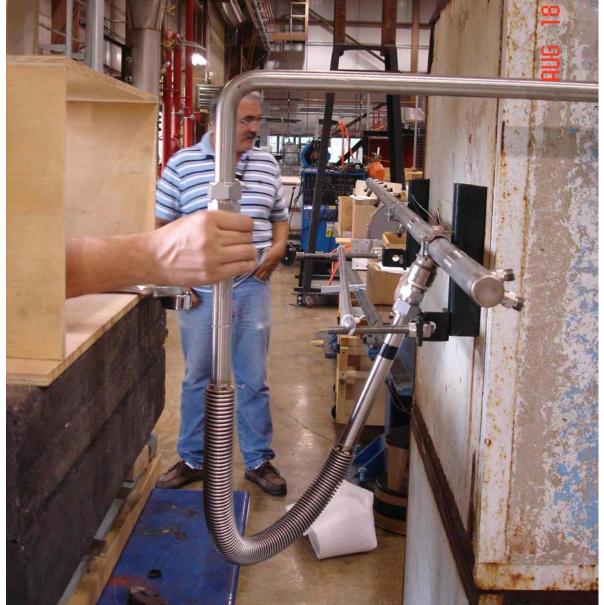
Some specially constructed tools for Horn 1 ceramic line repair





Mock-up and practice

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Plan, time, and practice, practice, practice repair

Needed to undo two Swagelok fittings, remove old section, insert new section, and tighten two fittings.

Time est: 2 min. of actual work in slot

Dose for this "2 min." job was 371 mr, (3.7 mSv) divided over ~10 people.

The rest of job is in much lower radiation field, but dose can be non-negligible due to time involved.