



# NEW HORIZONS 2



## ***New Horizons: A Journey to New Frontiers***





# WHY NEW HORIZONS 2?



- **PROVIDE BACKUP FOR THE HIGHEST PRIORITY NF OBJECTIVE OF THE DECADAL SURVEY.**
- **ENABLE THE FIRST EXPLORATION OF A LARGE (500 KM CLASS) KBO--A PLANETARY EMBRYO.**
- **RECONNOITER ADDITIONAL, SMALLER (40-80 km) KBOs.**





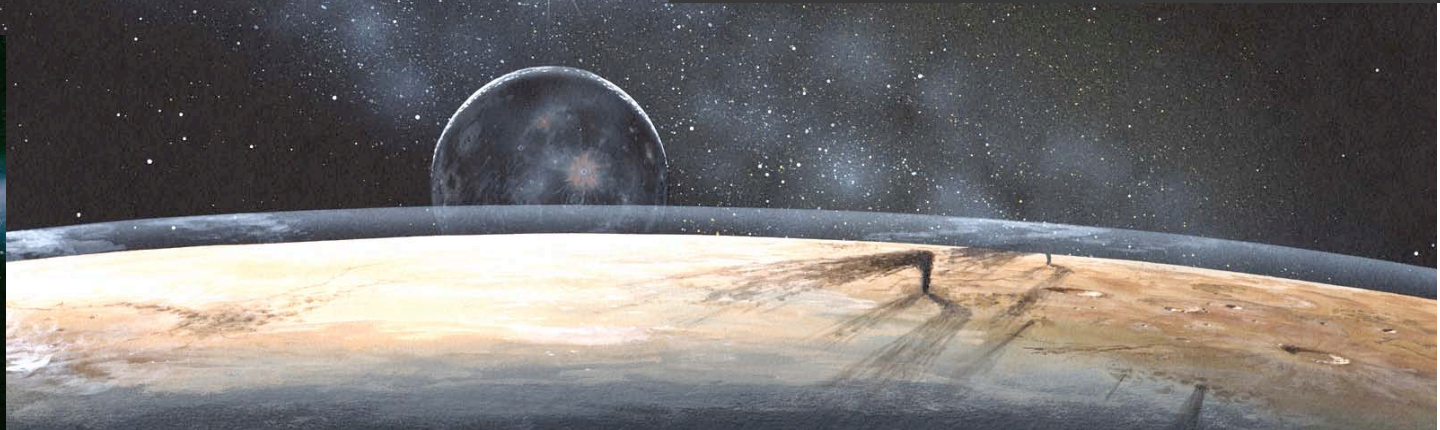
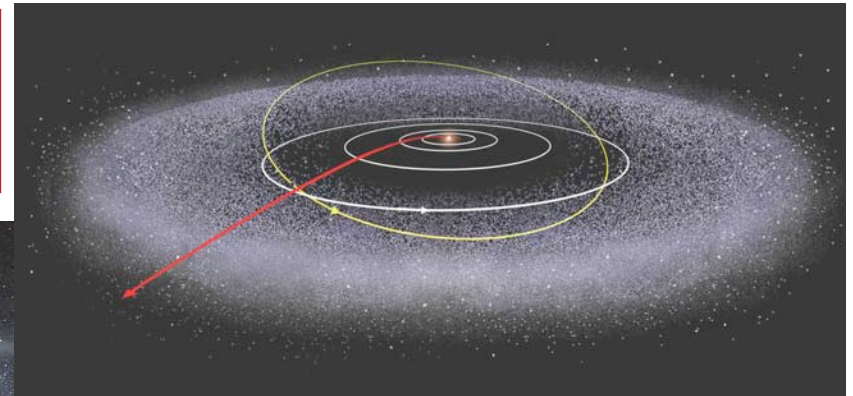


# ***Toward New Horizons***



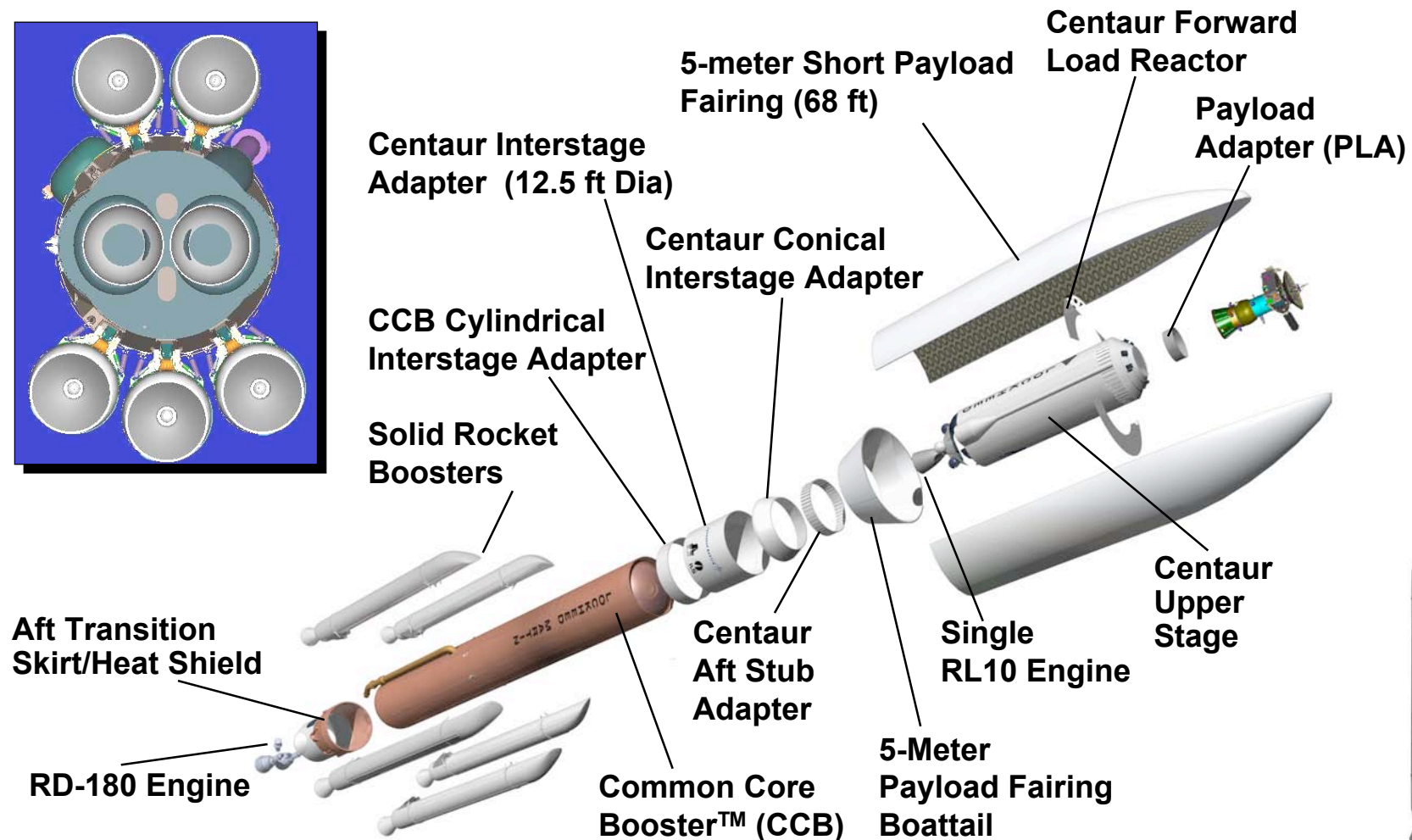
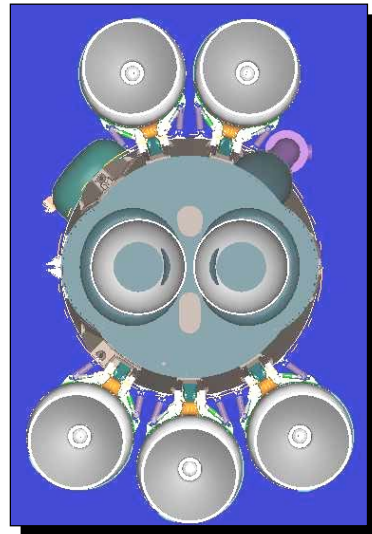
The Highest Priority New Frontiers Start Recommendation  
of the Planetary Decadal Survey (2002):

The Reconnaissance of  
the Kuiper Belt and Pluto-Charon





# The New Horizons Atlas V 551 Launch Vehicle







# New Horizons is New Frontiers



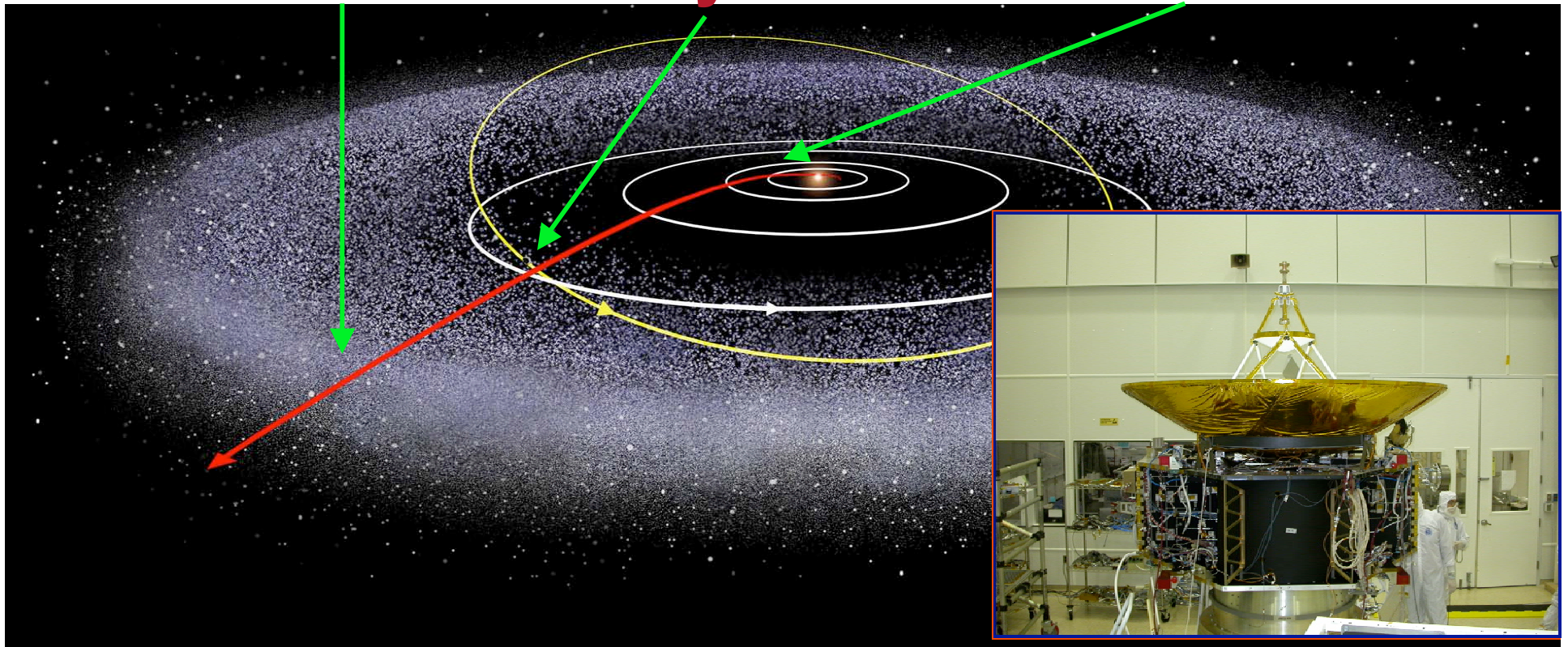
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First Time Exploration  
of The Solar System's "Third Zone"

KBOs  
2016-2020

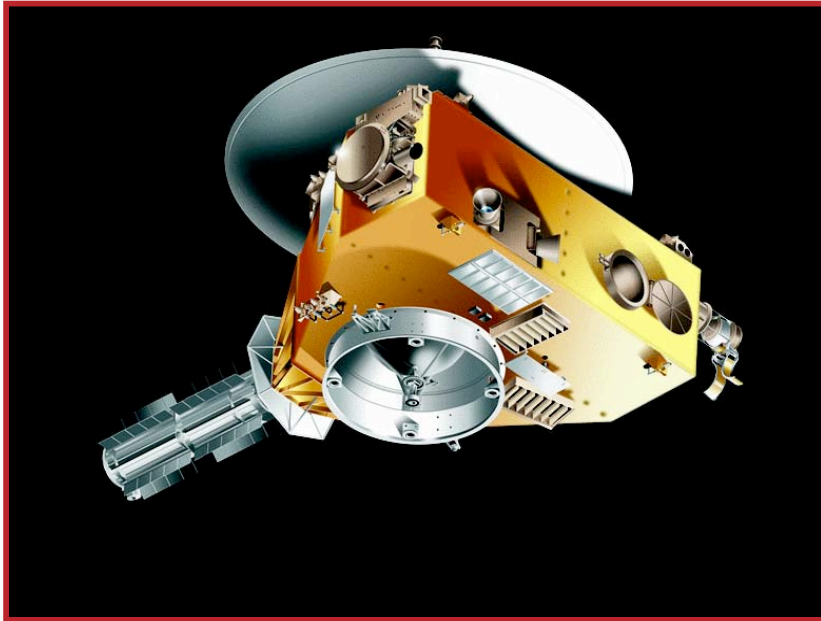
Pluto-Charon  
July 2015

Jupiter System  
March 2007





# Development Status



**New Horizons was selected by NASA on 29 Nov 2001.**

**New Horizons was funded and approved to enter into full-scale development in March 2003.**

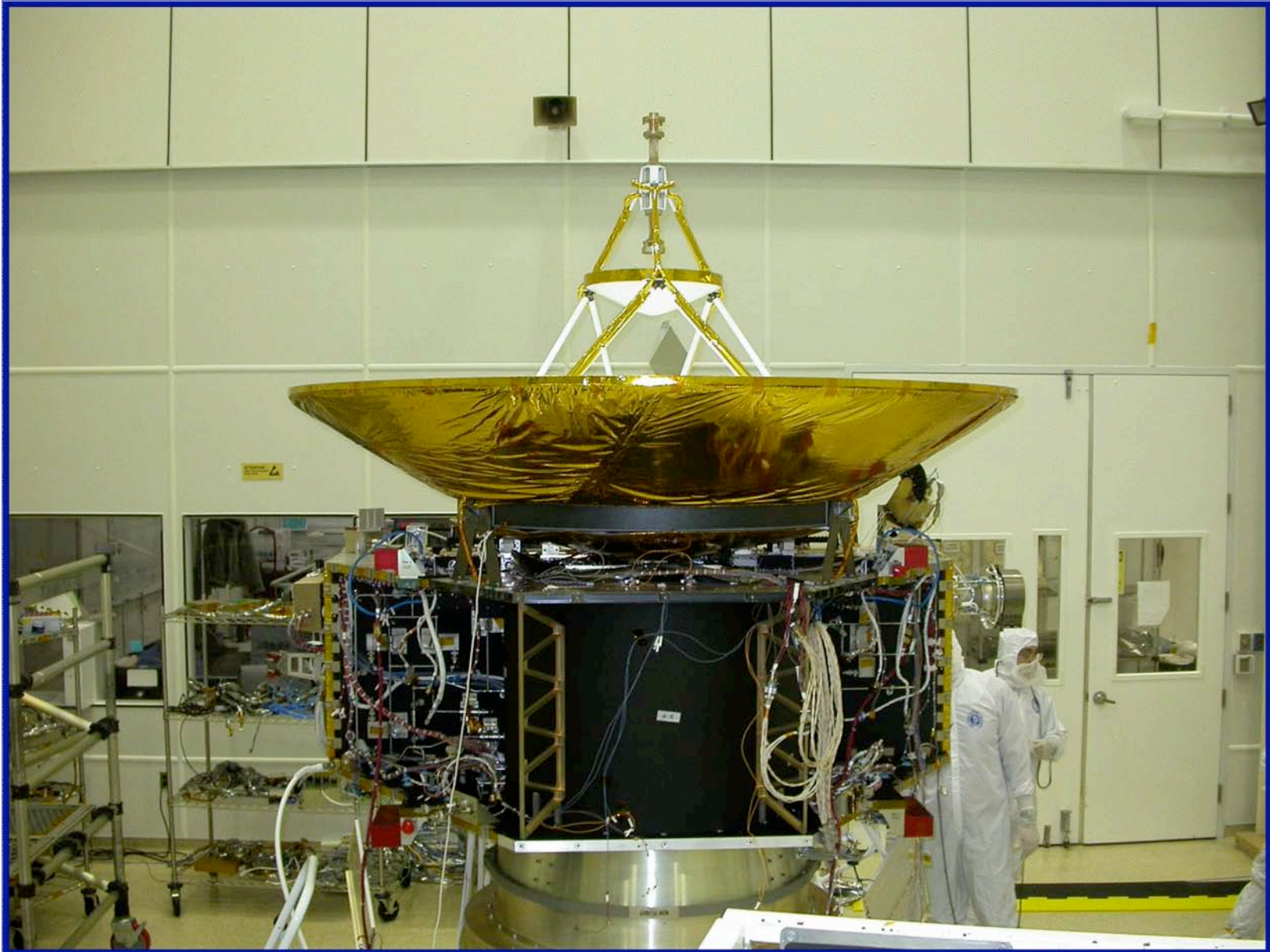
**New Horizons is now in Phase C/D; it is designated New Frontiers 1.**

- ✓ **Concept Proposal Phase – Jan-Apr 2001**
- ✓ **Phase A Study – Jun-Oct 2001**
- ✓ **Selection – Nov 2001**
- ✓ **Phase B Start – Jan 2002**
- ✓ **Requirements Review (SRR) – May 2002**
- ✓ **Prelim Design Review (PDR) – Oct 2002**
- ✓ **Non-Advocate Review (NAR) – Dec 2002**
- ✓ **Phase C/D Start (ATP) – Apr 2003**
- ✓ **Critical Design Review (CDR) – Oct 2003**
  
- ✓ **Start Integration & Test – June 2004**
  
- **Start S/C Assembly/I&T – Aug 2004**
- **Instrument Deliveries – Aug '04-Mar '05**
- **Thermal-Vac Testing – March-June 2005**
- **Pre-Ship Review – September 2005**
- **Launch Readiness Review – Dec 2005**
  
- **Launch Window Open– Jan-Feb 2006**





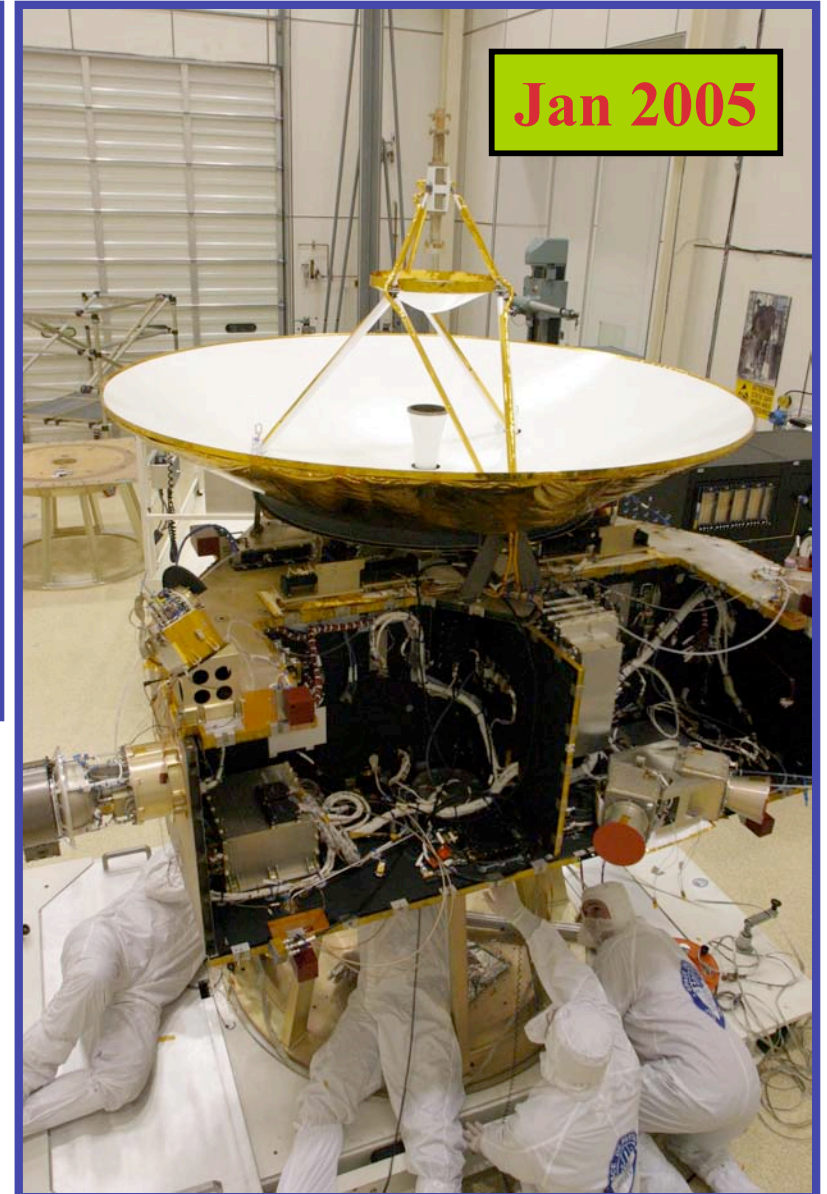
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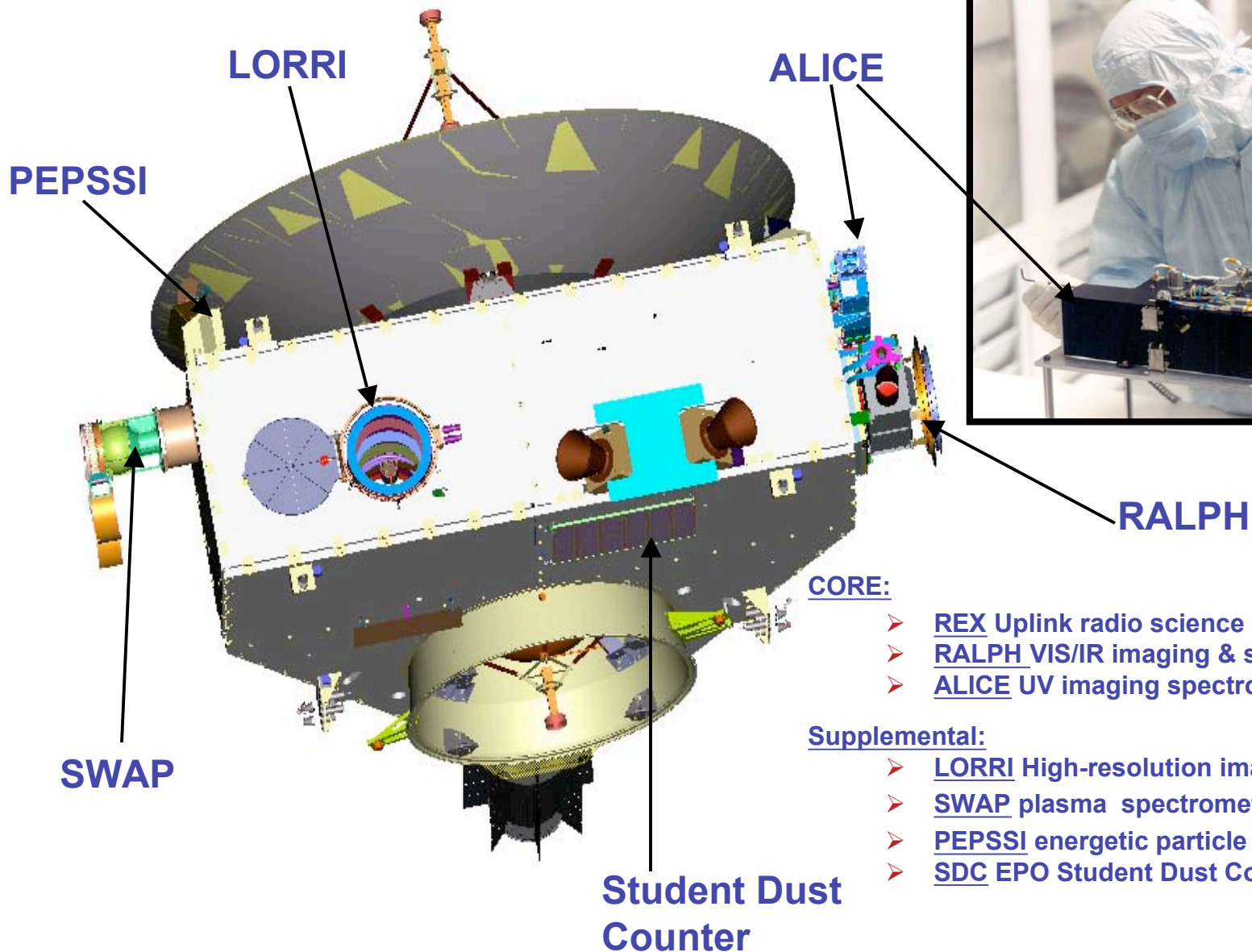
# New Horizons in Build







# Instrument Payload



## CORE:

- REX Uplink radio science & passive radiometry
- RALPH VIS/IR imaging & spectroscopy
- ALICE UV imaging spectroscopy

## Supplemental:

- LORRI High-resolution imager
- SWAP plasma spectrometer
- PEPSSI energetic particle spectrometer
- SDC EPO Student Dust Counter



# New Horizons Payload Characteristics



	Type	Characteristics
<b>Ralph</b>	Imager/Imaging Spectrometer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Panchromatic &amp; 4-color CCD imagery (20 _rad resolution);</li><li>➤ 1.25-2.50 _m IR imaging spectroscopy (62 _rad, R=300-600).</li></ul>
<b>Alice</b>	UV Imaging Spectrometer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ __=520-1870 Å, 3 Å resolution, airglow &amp; occultation capabilities</li></ul>
<b>REX</b>	Radio Science, Radiometry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Atmosphere P,T to: 0.1_bar, 1 K</li><li>➤ Surface Temp to 0.3 K</li></ul>
<b>LORRI</b>	Hi-Res Imager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Panchromatic CCD imagery (5 _rad resolution)</li></ul>
<b>SWAP</b>	In Situ Plasma Spectrometer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Solar wind ions up to 6.5 KeV</li></ul>
<b>PEPSSI</b>	In Situ Particle Spectrometer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Ions: 1-5000 KeV</li><li>➤ Electrons: 20-700 KeV</li></ul>
<b>SDC</b>	In Situ Dust Counter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ 0.10 meters<sup>2</sup> active area,</li><li>➤ Threshold Mass ~10<sup>-12</sup> gm</li></ul>

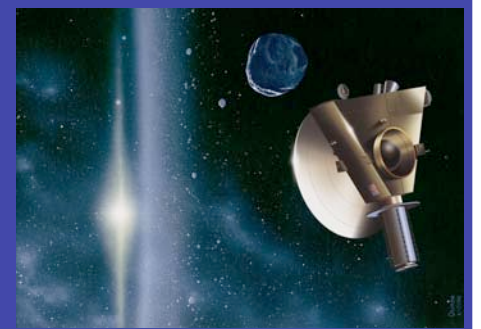
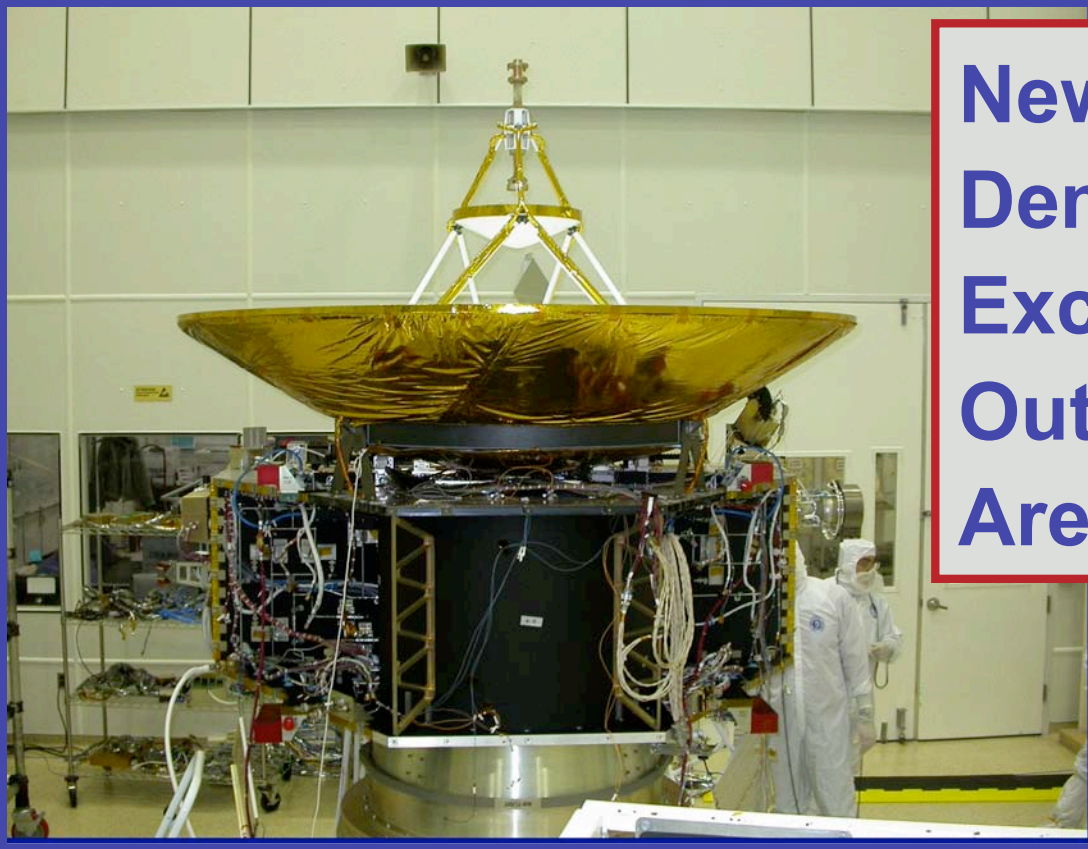




# ***Toward New Frontiers***



**New Horizons is  
Demonstrating That  
Exciting Low Cost  
Outer Planet Missions  
Are Indeed Feasible.**

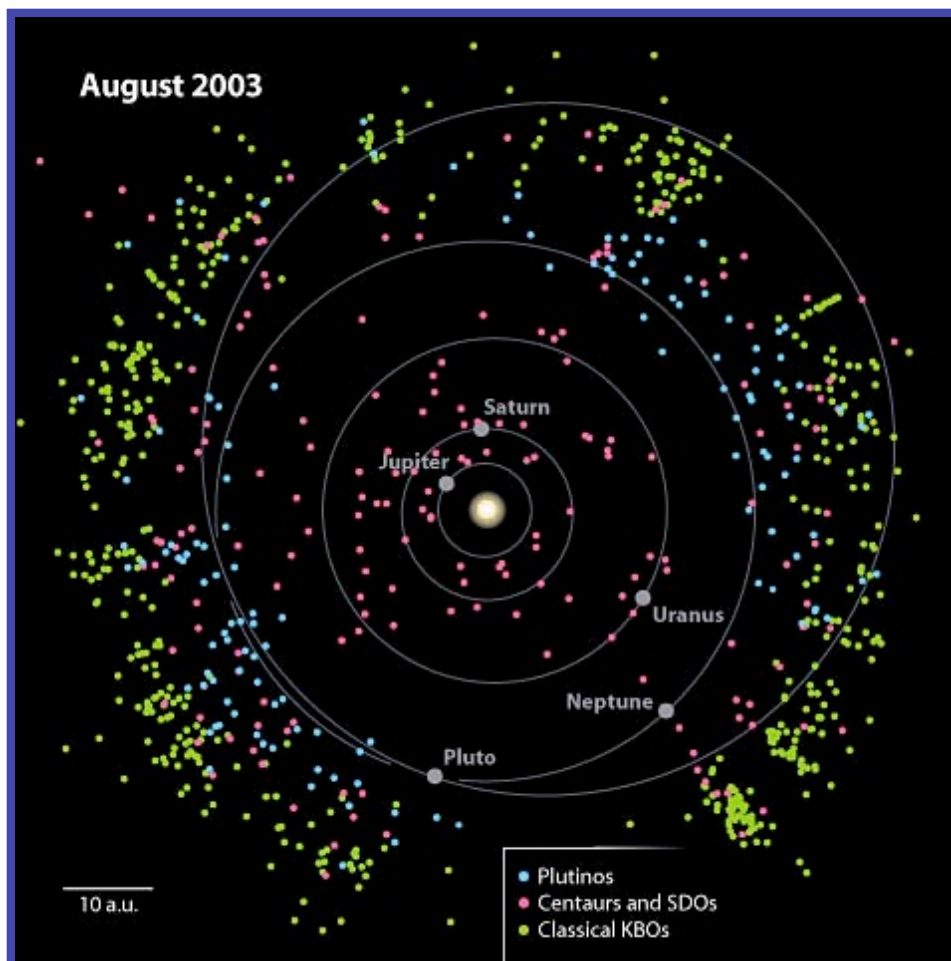




# NH 2: Exploring Large KBOs



Sampling the *Diversity* of the Kuiper Belt Was The Highest Priority New Frontiers Recommendation of the Decadal Survey







# NASA New Horizons Mission Requirements



- ☐ Despite the Wishes of the Decadal Survey, NASA's Requirements for New Horizons 1 Make Clear That Kuiper Belt Exploration is only a Goal.



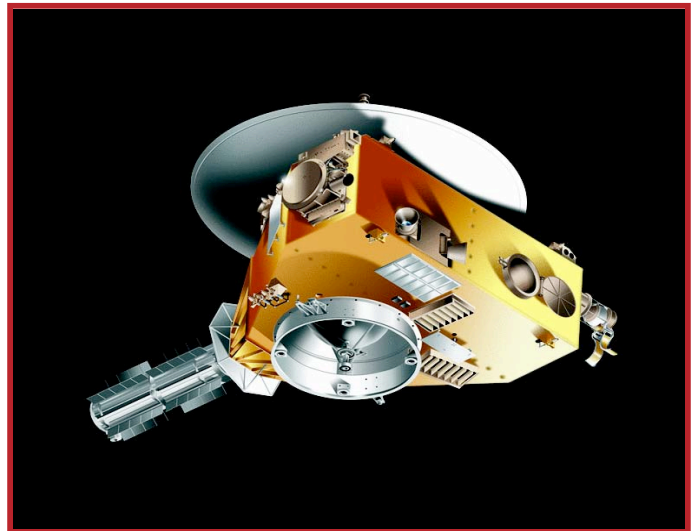
- ☐ Requirement: Flyby Pluto-Charon before the end of 2020.
- ☐ Desirement: NASA desires to visit one or more KBOs if an extended mission is approved after Pluto.



# NEW HORIZONS 2: STUDY GROUND RULES



- ✓ **EXAMINE A LARGE KBO (D>300 KM) TO COMPARE TO PLUTO AND 1-2 ADDITIONAL 50 KM-CLASS KBOs.**
- ✓ **MINIMIZE COST: USE SAME SPACECRAFT AND PAYLOAD AS NH 1.**
- ✓ **EMPLOY THE SAME OR A SMALLER ELV.**
- ✓ **INSIST ON EXPANDED COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION (DOUBLE THE SCIENCE TEAM SIZE).**







# NEW HORIZONS 2

## Other Example Mission Designs



**Numerous Mission Scenarios Found. Many Also Allow Uranus Flybys En Route, But Only Until 2009: Then Uranus Moves Out of Position With Jupiter**

Mission Scenario	Launch		JGA Flyby			UGA Flyby			KBO Encounter		
	Date	C3 (km <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>2</sup> )	Date	Speed (km/s)	C/A Range (R <sub>J</sub> )	Date	Speed (km/s)	C/A Range (R <sub>U</sub> )	KBO Name	Date	Speed (km/s)
1	3/19/2008	102.6	8/12/2009	12.2	23.6	10/7/2015	10.8	2.36	1999 TC36	9/15/2020	11.9
2	3/19/2008	100.4	8/21/2009	11.9	26.8	5/8/2016	9.7	3.01	1999 TC36	10/24/2021	10.6
3	4/30/2009	141.3	6/6/2010	16.6	101.9	7/30/2016	10.3	2.23	1999 TC36	9/15/2021	11.2
4	4/29/2009	135.1	6/16/2010	16	119.4	5/22/2017	8.9	3	1999 TC36	4/8/2023	9.6
5	3/21/2008	114	7/3/2009	13.9	14.4	3/25/2014	15.0	1.31	2002 UX25	9/15/2020	17.8
6	3/20/2008	106.6	7/27/2009	12.9	19.4	1/13/2015	12.6	1.94	2002 UX25	7/15/2022	14.9
7	5/1/2009	149.8	5/24/2010	17.5	80.4	10/18/2015	12.1	1.85	2002 UX25	7/16/2023	14.1



# Uranus Equinox Flyby Opportunity



- NH2 Can Reach the KB Via a Jupiter Gravity Assist in Any Year.**
- However, for Launches in 2007-2009, a Bonus Opportunity to Explore Uranus at Equinox Exists.**
- Neptune is not in Position to Be An Alternative.**





# NEW HORIZONS II: A URANUS-EQUINOX OPPORTUNITY



**FURTHER LEVERAGE THE EXISTING NASA INVESTMENT IN NEW HORIZONS TO ALSO:**

**INCLUDE A PERISHABLE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE URANUS NEAR EQUINOX**

- **ONLY OCCURS EVERY 42 YEARS (1960s, 2010s, 2050s).**
- **COMPLETELY DIFFERENT LIGHTING, INSOLATION, & MAGNETOSPHERIC GEOMETRY THAN VOYAGER 2.**
- **WITH MAJOR INSTRUMENTATION CAPABILITIES**



# Exploring Uranus: Diverse, Time-Perishable Science



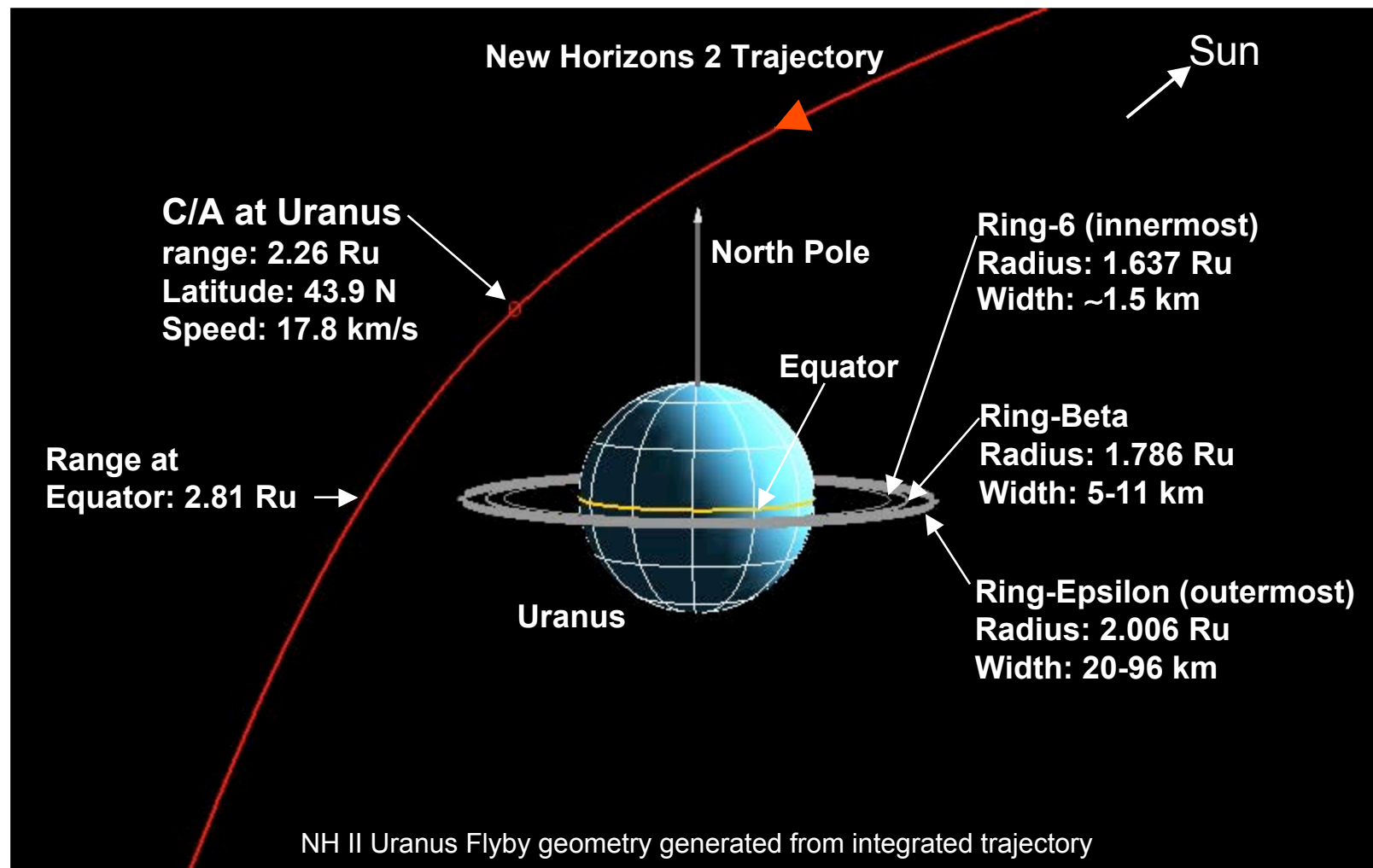




# Example New Horizons 2 Uranus Flyby



## Example Uranus Flyby Geometry





# New Horizons 2 Example Mission Design



**Target: KBO 1999 TC36**  
**A Huge KBO Binary**

**Launch**  
**19 Mar 2008**  
 **$C_3: 103 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$**

**Jupiter flyby**  
**12 Aug 2009**  
**C/A range:  $24 R_J$**

**Uranus flyby**  
**07 Oct 2015**  
**C/A range:  $2.4 R_U$**

**1999 TC36 Flyby**  
**15 Sept 2020**  
**Speed: 12 km/s**  
**Sun Dist: 31 AU**

- ☐ 1999 TC36: 400 Diameter with 200 km Satellite
- ☐ Both 2008 and 2009 Launch Windows Exist



**BY PROVIDING A BACKUP TO NH1, NH2 WILL BETTER INSURE SUCCESS FOR THE DECADEAL SURVEY'S HIGHEST PRIORITY NEW FRONTIERS OBJECTIVE: KB SCIENCE**



**SPACECRAFT PAIRS ARE A WELL ESTABLISHED WAY TO IMPROVE BOTH THE LIKELIHOOD OF MISSION SUCCESS, AND OVERALL MISSION SCIENCE RETURN.**

- ❑ PARTICULARLY FOR LONG, CHALLENGING MISSIONS.**
- ❑ NOTABLE MISSION SAVES INCLUDE MARINERS 2, 4, 9 (when Mariners 1, 3, and 8, each failed)...**
- ❑ STRIKING AND VALUABLE DUAL SUCCESSES OCCURRED FOR VIKINGS I & II, VOYAGERS I & II, AND MERs A & B.**







# **NH2 Cost Will Be Low**



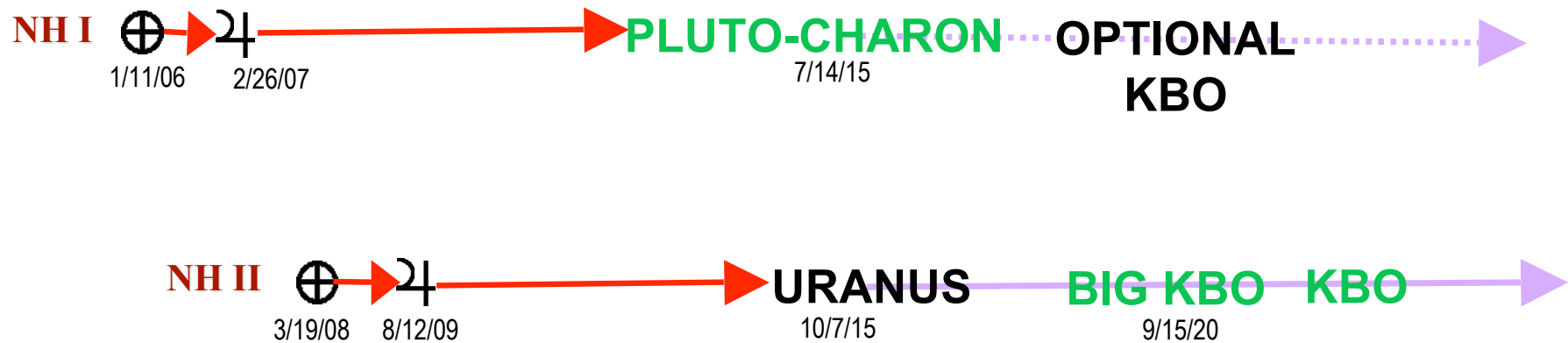
- ❑ In 2004, the New Horizons Mission Team Has Conducted a Feasibility Study for NH2.**
- ❑ HQ Has Tasked GSFC to Run a More Extensive Study.**
- ❑ Achieving a Large Savings for NH2 over NH1 Depends Critically on Building a Spacecraft Clone: Zero Changes**
- ❑ Making These Assumptions, NH2 Looks to be Feasible for \$450M-\$500M (full mission cost; ~\$375M to launch).**



# New Horizons 1 and 2: What a Combination!



2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022 2024





# WHY NEW HORIZONS 2?



## LEVERAGE THE EXISTING NASA INVESTMENT IN NEW HORIZONS 1 TO FURTHER OPEN THE DEEP OUTER SOLAR SYSTEM FRONTIER

- **ACHIEVE FIRST EXPLORATION OF A 500 KM CLASS KBO**
- **FLYBY ADDITIONAL SMALLER KBOs.**
- **OBTAIN ADDITIONAL JUPITER FLYBY SCIENCE**

***New Horizons***  
Shedding Light on Frontier Worlds







# Toward a Better Future



- ❑ Other than NH, No New Outer Planets Mission Is Planned to Deliver Data Until After 2020.**
- ❑ NH2 can Reach Uranus by 2014-2015, and the KB by 2019.**
- ❑ NH2 is an immediate opportunity to add depth to outer planets exploration by appealing for a time-critical mission of opportunity.**





# **NH2 Time Criticality**



## **An NH2 New Start is Time Critical** **Because:**

- ☐ The Uranus at Equinox Flyby Launch Window Closes in Early 2009.**
- ☐ Building an NH-1 Clone is Only Possible if It Directly Follows on NH1– Not Years Later.**
- ☐ No Existing AO for New Frontiers is Available to Propose to.**
- ☐ Discovery Does Not Allow RTC**