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### RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS-2, JPSS-3 and JPSS-4)

### 1.0 Introduction

The NEPA of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.), requires Federal agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a project in their decision making process. To comply with NEPA and associated regulations (the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA [40 CFR Parts 1500-1508] and NASA policy and procedures [14 CFR, Part 1216, Subpart 1216.3]), NASA has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for routine payloads launched on expendable launch vehicles (Ref: Environmental Assessment (Final) for Launch of NASA Routine Payloads, November 2011). The 2011 NASA Routine Payload EA (NRPEA) assesses the environmental impacts of missions launched with spacecraft that are considered routine payloads from existing launch facilities at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station (CCAFS), Florida, Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB), California, the United States Army Kwajalein Atoll/Reagan Test Site (USAKA/RTS) in the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), NASA's Wallops Flight Facility (WFF), Virginia, and the Kodiak Launch Complex (KLC), Alaska.

Spacecraft defined as routine payloads utilize materials, quantities of materials, launch vehicles, launch sites, and operational characteristics that are consistent with normal and routine spacecraft preparation and flight activities at VAFB, CCAFS, USAKA/RTS, WFF, KLC, and the Kennedy Space Center. The environmental impacts of launching routine payloads from these sites fall within the range of routine, ongoing, and previously documented impacts that have been determined not to be significant. Spacecraft within the scope of this EA meet specific criteria ensuring that the spacecraft, its operation, and decommissioning, do not present any new or substantial environmental or safety concerns.

To determine the applicability of a routine payload classification for a mission, the mission is evaluated against the criteria defined in the EA using the Routine Payload Checklist (RPC).

## 2.0 Mission Description

The JPSS program is the restructured civilian portion of the National Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System. Polar-orbiting satellites observe Earth from space and collect and disseminate data on Earth's weather, atmosphere, oceans, land, and near-space environment

and are able to monitor the entire planet and provide data for long-range weather and climate forecasts.

JPSS is a partnership between National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and NASA for the next generation of polar Earth observing science data satellites that will make afternoon observations as it orbits Earth. NOAA is responsible for the overall program and is also responsible for operations, data exploitation and archiving, and infrastructure. NASA is the acquisition agent for the ground systems and flight systems (satellite, instruments, and launch vehicle), and leads program systems engineering, program safety and mission assurance activities

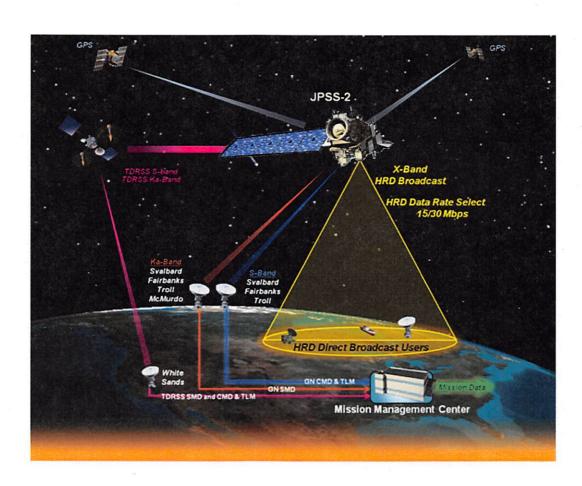
JPSS provides global imagery and atmospheric measurements using polar-orbiting satellites. The JPSS mission objective is to sustain continuity of and enhance Earth observation analysis, forecasting, and climate monitoring capabilities from global polar-orbiting observations.

JPSS provides enhanced global environmental data used in numerical weather prediction models for forecasts, as well as provide space weather observations, search and rescue detection capabilities, and direct read-out and data collection products and services to customers. Data and imagery obtained from JPSS increases timeliness and accuracy of public warnings and forecasts of climate and weather events, thus reducing the potential loss of human life and property and advancing the national economy.

The JPSS program consists of five satellites (Suomi-National Polar-orbiting Partnership (NPP), JPSS-1, JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4), ground systems, and operations through 2038. Suomi-NPP was launched in October 2011, and is currently in operation. JPSS-1 is planned to launch from VAFB in early 2017 aboard a United Launch Alliance Delta II rocket. The ground system consists of the command, control, and communications segment, the interface data processing segment for science data processing, and the field terminal segment for support to direct broadcast users.

The JPSS-2 satellite utilizes a new spacecraft design with the same instrument suite as Suomi-NPP and JPSS-1, but with a new Radiation Budget Instrument, which replaces the obsolete Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System instrument (see below). JPSS-3 and JPSS-4 will be identical to JPSS-2. The launch of JPSS-2 is currently planned for mid-2021 from VAFB, followed by JPSS-3 in 2026 and JPSS-4 in 2031. At this time the launch vehicles have not been selected for JPSS-2, JPSS-3, or JPSS-4.

# Lifetime: 7 yr (Satellite) Mass: 2790 kg Power: 1995 W Dimensions (in launch configuration): H: 145" x Dia.: 52" Communications: S-band: Command & Telemetry via Svalbard and Tracking and Data Relay Satellite (TDRS); Ka-band: 300 Mbps Science Mission Data link to ground and TDRS System; X-band: 25 Mbps High-Rate Data link to direct users



JPSS Instrument		Measurement
	ATMS - Advanced Technology Microwave Sounder	ATMS and CrlS together provide profiles of atmospheric temperature, moisture,
	CrIS - Cross-track Infrared Sounder	and pressure
	VIIRS – Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite	Provides daily high-resolution imagery and radiometry across the visible to long wave infrared spectrum
	OMPS - Ozone Mapping and Profiler Suite	Spectrometer with UV bands for ozone total column measurements
	RBI* - Radiation Budget Instrument	Scanning radiometer which supports studies of Earth Radiation Budget

'Replaces the Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System (CERES) flown on SNPP and JPSS-1

# 3.0 NASA Routine Payload Determination

The components utilized in the JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 satellites are made of materials normally encountered in the space industry. The JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 missions will not utilize radioactive sources or lasers, will not carry any pathogenic organisms, and will not return samples to Earth. A controlled reentry is planned for all JPSS satellites.

The JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 missions have been evaluated against the 2011 NRPEA, using the RPC (see enclosed evaluation recommendation package). The evaluation indicates that JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 satellites meet the criteria for a routine payload and fall within the scope of the reference EA. The launch vehicles have yet to be selected; however, the candidate launch vehicle/launch site combinations all fall within the scope of the EA. The site-specific impacts of these combinations are addressed in the EA. JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 satellites do not present any unique or unusual circumstances that could result in new or substantial environmental impacts. Based on the analyses set forth in the 2011 NRPEA, NASA has determined that the environmental impacts associated with JPSS-2, JPSS-3, and JPSS-4 satellites will not individually or cumulatively have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment and that a routine payload classification for these missions is applicable. No additional NEPA action or documentation is required at this time. Once launch vehicle selections have occurred, the missions will be reviewed to ensure that a routine payload classification is still valid.

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# **EVALUATION RECOMMENDATION PACKAGE Record of Environmental Consideration Routine Payload Checklist** Flight Project Environmental Checklist Enclosure

# NASA Goddard Space Flight Center RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

PROJECT NAME: Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS) -2, -3, -4

**Description of proposed action:** The development, testing, launch and early orbit checkout of 1. the JPSS satellites. The JPSS mission objectives are to sustain continuity of and enhance NOAA's Earth observation analysis, forecasting and climate monitoring capabilities from global polar-orbiting observations. Date and/or Duration of project: Launch: J-2 mid-2021, J-3 in 2026, J-4 in 2031 2. It has been determined that the above action:  $\boxtimes$  a. Is adequately covered in an existing EA or EIS. Title: Environmental Assessment for Launch of NASA Routine Payloads Date: November 2011 b. Qualifies for Categorical Exclusion and has no extraordinary circumstances per 14 CFR 1216.304 (c) which would suggest a need for an Environmental Assessment. Categorical Exclusion: c. Has no significant environmental impacts as indicated by the results of an environmental checklist and/or detailed environmental analysis. d. Is exempt from NEPA requirements under the provisions of: e. Will require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment. ☐ f. Will require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. ☐ g. Is addressed under EO12114. ☐ Is exempt from EO12114 requirements under the provisions of: \_\_\_\_\_ Action not included under EO12114: Qualifies for an EO12114 categorical exclusion: ☐ Is adequately covered in existing documentation: Requires an environmental summary document: Requires EO documentation IAW 2-4. (a) i, ii, iii: ☐ h. Is not federalized sufficiently to qualify as a major federal action. Beth Montgomery Beth Montgomery JEPA Program Manager, Code 250 roject Manager, Code 472

# NASA Routine Payload Evaluation and Determination Process and Checklist



After a proposed spacecraft mission is sufficiently well formulated (usually the Phase B design study), the Sponsoring Entity, in coordination with the local Environmental Management Office (EMO), will prepare an environmental evaluation. An environmental evaluation is a preliminary review that determines what aspects of the proposal are of potential environmental concern. The environmental evaluation also assists in determining the appropriate level of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation (i.e., environmental assessment [EA], or environmental impact statement [IEIS]) for the proposal. The local EMO uses a comprehensive checklist to provide a level of rigor to this early evaluation of the proposal, helping to ensure that pertinent considerations are not overlooked. Local EMO review of the Routine Payload Checklist (RPC, below) forms the basis for evaluating the applicability of a NASA Routine Payload (NRP) spacecraft classification for a proposed mission.

The local EMO uses the completed RPC (and required attachments) to evaluate the proposed mission against the NRP EA criteria. If the EMO evaluation of the RPC indicates that a NRP categorization may be appropriate, the Sponsoring Entity documents this in an Evaluation Recommendation Package (ERP). The ERP is then processed for review and approval in accordance with established National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) procedures and guidelines. If approved, the ERP would be attached to a Record of Environmental Consideration (REC).

The Sponsoring Entity can then proceed with the proposal while monitoring the project activities, for changes or circumstances
during implementation that could affect classification of the proposed mission as a NRP spacecraft. If a NRP spacecraft
categorization is determined to be inappropriate, the local EMO will initiate plans for preparation of additional NEPA
documentation.

NASA Routine Payload Checklist					
			of Launch: ; 07/26, 07/31		
Project Contact: Bryan A. Fafaul  Phone Number: 240-684-0602  Mailstop: 472					
Project Start Date: Jul 2010	Project Start Date: Project Location: Jul 2010 GSFC, Greenbelt, MD				
Project Description: The NASA GSFC Code 472 organization that manages the development, testing, launch and early orbit checkout of the JPSS satellites.					
A. Sample Return:					
	ate mission return a sample from an extraterrestrial body?				
B. Radioactive Materia		Yes	s No		
multiple value of					
	adioactive Materials On Board Report as per NPR 8715.3 with the ERP submittal.		Attachment		
C. Launch and Launch		Yes	No No		
those indicated in	late spacecraft be launched on a vehicle and launch site combination other than Table C-1 on Page 2?				
2. Would the propos launch vehicle or	sed mission exceed the approved or permitted annual launch rate for the particular launch site?		Ø		
Comments:					
D. Facilities:		Yes	No No		
<ol> <li>Would the candidate mission require the construction of any new facilities or substantial modification of existing facilities?</li> </ol>					
Provide a brief description of the construction or modification required, including whether ground disturbance and/or excavation would occur.					
E. Health and Safety:		Yes	s No		
transmitter power Table C-2 below?					
specified by NAS	ted risk of human casualty from spacecraft planned orbital reentry exceed the crite A Standard 8719.14?	ria 🗆			
3. Would the candidate spacecraft utilize any potentially hazardous material as part of a flight system whose type or amount precludes acquisition of the necessary permits prior to its use or is not included within the definition of the Envelope Payload Characteristics?					
4. Would the candidate mission, under nominal conditions, release material other than propulsion system exhaust or inert gases into the Earth's atmosphere or space?					
5. Are there changes in the preparation, launch or operation of the candidate spacecraft from the standard practices described in Chapter 3 of this EA?					
	late spacecraft utilize an Earth-pointing laser system that does not meet the safe operation (ANSI Z136.1-2007 and ANSI Z136.6-2005)?				
7. Would the candidate spacecraft contain, by design (e.g., a scientific payload) pathogenic microorganisms (including bacteria, protozoa, and viruses) which can produce disease or toxins hazardous to human health or the environment beyond Biosafety Level 1 (BSL 1)¹?  Comments:					
1 The use of hiological agents	Continued on next page on navious is limited to materials with a safety rating of "Biosafety Level 1." This classification include:	s defined and o	haracterized		

strains of viable microorganisms not known to consistently cause disease in healthy human adults. Personnel working with Biosafety Level 1 agents follow standard microbiological practices including the use of mechanical pipetting devices, no eating, drinking, or smoking in the laboratory, and required hand-washing after working with agents or leaving a lab where agents are stored. Personal protective equipment such as gloves and eye protection is also recommended when working with biological agents.

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	NASA Routine Payload Checklist (con	tinuation)	-	
Project Name: Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS), JPSS-2 and JPSS Polar Follow Missions (JPSS-3 and JPSS-4), Flight Project  Date of Launch 07/21; 07/26, 07/31			-	
Project Contact: Bryan A. Fafaul  Phone Number: 240-684-0602  Mailstop: 472				
Project Start Date: Project Location: Jul 2010 Project Location: GSFC, Greenbelt, MD				
Project Description: The NASA GSFC Code 472 organization that manages the development, testing, launch and early orbit checkout of the JPSS satellites.				
F. Other Environmental Issues:				No
1. Would the candidate spacecraft have the potential for substantial effects on the environment outside the United States?				×
2. Would launch and operation of the candidate spacecraft have the potential to create substantial public controversy related to environmental issues?				×
3. Would any aspect of the candidate spacecraft that is not addressed by the EPCs have the potential for substantial effects on the environment (i.e., previously unused materials, configurations or material not included in the checklist)?			×	
Comments:				

## Table C-1. Launch Vehicles and Launch Sites

Launch Vehicle	Space Launch Complexes and Pads				
and Launch Vehicle Family	Eastern Range (CCAFS)	Western Range (VAFB)	USAKA/RTS	WFF	KLC
Athena I, IIc, IIIa	LC-46	CA Spaceport (SLC-8)	NA	Pad 0	LP-1a
Atlas V Family	LC-41	SLC-3	NA	NA	NA
Delta II Family	LC-17	SLC-2	NA NA	NA	NA
Delta IV Family	LC-37	SLC-6	NA .	NA	NA
Falcon I/le	LC-36	SLC-4W	Omelek Island	Pad 0	LP-3b
Falcon 9	LC-40	SLC-4E	Omelek	Pad 0	LP-1
Minotaur I	LC-20 and/or LC-46	SLC-8	NA	Pad 0	LP-1
Minotaur II-III	LC-20 and/or LC-46	SLC-8	NA	Pad 0	LP-1
Minotaur IVC	LC-20 and/or LC-46	SLC-8	NA	Pad 0	LP-1
Minotaur V	LC-20 and/or LC-46	SLC-8	NA	Pad 0	NA
Pegasus XL	CCAFS skidstrip KSC SLF	VAFB Airfield	Kwajalein Island	WFF Airfield	NA
Taurus	LC-20 and/or LC-46	SLC-576E	NA	Pad 0	LP-1
Taurus II	NA	NA	NA	Pad 0	LP-3b

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Athena III is currently under design.

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LP-3 is currently under design.

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While not explicitly listed in this table, the Minotaur IV includes all configurations of this launch vehicle, including the Minotaur IV+, which is a Minotaur IV with a Star 48V 4th stage.

Key: CA = California; CCAFS = Cape Canaveral Air Force Station; KSC = Kennedy Space Center; LC = Launch Complex; LP = Launch Pad; MARS = Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport; SLC = Space Launch Complex; SLF = Shuttle Landing Facility; USAKA/RTS = United States Army Kwajalein Atoll/Reagan Test Site; VAFB = Vandenberg Air Force Base; WFF = Wallops Flight Facility.

# NASA Routine Payload Checklist

# Table C-2. Summary of Envelope Payload Characteristics by Spacecraft Subsystems

Structure	<ul> <li>Unlimited: aluminum, beryllium, carbon resin composites, magnesium, titanium, and other materials unless specified as limited.</li> </ul>
Propulsion <sup>a</sup>	<ul> <li>Liquid propellant(s); 3,200 kg (7,055 lb) combined hydrazine, monomethyhydrazine and/or nitrogen tetroxide.</li> <li>Solid Rocket Motor (SRM) propellant; 3,000 kg (6,614 lb) Ammonium Perchlorate (AP)-based solid propellant (examples of SRM propellant that might be on a spacecraft are a Star-48 kick stage, descent engines, an extra-terrestrial ascent vehicle, etc.)</li> </ul>
Communications	Various 10-100 Watt (RF) transmitters
Power	<ul> <li>Unlimited Solar cells; 5 kilowatt-Hour (kW-hr) Nickel-Hydrogen (NiH₂) or Lithium ion (Li-ion) battery, 300 Ampere-hour (A-hr) Lithium-Thionyl Chloride (LiSOCI), or 150 A-hr Hydrogen, Nickel-Cadmium (NiCd), or Nickel-hydrogen (NiH₂) battery.</li> </ul>
Science Instruments	<ul> <li>10 kilowatt radar</li> <li>American National Standards Institute safe lasers (see Section 4.1.2.1)</li> </ul>
Other	<ul> <li>U. S. Department of Transportation (DoT) Class 1.4 Electro-Explosive Devices (EEDs) for mechanical systems deployment</li> <li>Radioactive materials in quantities that produce an A2 mission multiple value of less than 10</li> <li>Propulsion system exhaust and inert gas venting</li> <li>Sample returns are considered outside of the scope of this environmental assessment</li> </ul>

a Propellant limits are subject to range safety requirements.

Key: kg=kilograms; lb=pounds.

# **GSFC Flight Project Environmental Checklist**



1. Project/Program  Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS), JPSS-2 and JPSS Polar Follow Missions (JPSS-3 and JPSS-4), Flight Project	Date: 02/01/2016
2. Schedule	
PDR/CDR: Flight J-2/3/4 SRR: 02/2016; MPDR J-2, J-3/4: 10/2016, 03/2018; MCDR JPSS-2, J-3/4: 06/2017, 11/2018	Launch Date: 07/21; 07/26, 07/31
3. Current Status	
The JPSS-2 satellite is currently in development. JPSS-3 and JPSS-4 satellites are options on the delivery order wi to 2019. The JPSS-2, JPSS-3 and JPSS-4 instruments are in development. The Flight Project SRR was held Febru instruments are repeat builds of the JPSS-1 instruments.	
4. Project Description	1 11/2
a. Purpose: The JPSS Mission objectives are to sustain continuity of and enhance NOAA's Earth observation analysis, forecast capabilities from global polar-orbiting observations. JPSS provides operational continuity of satellite-based observ NOAA Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellites (POES) and the Suomi National Polar Partnership (S-N	rations and products for
b. Spacecraft: The JPSS-2, -3, and -4 spacecraft are provided by Orbital ATK under contract NNG15VE05D. The bus is based of IceSat2 bus designs.	n the heritage LeoStar3 and
c. Instruments: Includes "same" mandatory payload as SNPP, which are the ATMS (NGES), CrIS (Harris), OMPS (BAT), VIIRS Instrument (RBI), provided by Exelis is the next generation instrument that replaces the heritage SNPP and JPSS-1 to JPSS by NASA's Earth Systemic Missions (ESM) Program	
d. Launch Vehicle: Launch Services (LS) provided by KSC Launch Services Program (LSP) and procured individually due to separation JPSS-3 and JPSS-4 launch dates. JPSS-3/4 LS will be procured with follow-on contract vehicle to NLS-II (Delta-I	
e. Launch Site: Western Range, Vandenberg AFB	
f. NASAs Involvement/Responsibility: (include other NASA Centers) NASA is responsible for all Space Segment elements (spacecraft, instruments), Systems Engineering, contract manintegration, and launch vehicle	nagement, mission
g. Participants/Locations: Mission Management: GSFC (Greenbelt, MD), Spacecraft (Gilbert, Arizona), ATMS (Azusa, CA), CrIS (Ft Wayn OMPS (Boulder, CO), VIIRS (El Segundo, CA), RBI (Ft Wayne, IN), LV (KSC, FL), Launch Site (VAFB, CA)	e, IN; Rochester, NY),
h. End-of-Mission Plan: Planned Re-entry (controlled/uncontrolled?) Controlled re-entry (no change from SNPP or JPSS-1)	
5. Is there anything controversial or unique about the mission, spacecraft or instruments? If yes, Explain	n. Yes 🗌 No 🛛
<ol> <li>Is the mission compliant with NASA requirements for limiting orbital debris (NPR 8715.6, and NASA Standard 8719.14? Explain non-compliances.</li> </ol>	Yes ⊠ No □
Controlled re-entry (no change from SNPP or JPSS-1) Launch Vehicle(s): Delta-IV, Falcon-9, or Atlas-V	

7. During any phase, do	bes the mission/project include or involve: Check yes for all that apply. If unc	ertain, chec	k the	corre-
sponding box. For al	Il that apply, provide an explanation	Yes	No	Uncertain
A. Fuels				
B. Ionizing Radiation Devices/Sources			$\overline{\boxtimes}$	
C. Explosives			$\overline{\boxtimes}$	
D. Hazardous Materials/	Substances/Chemicals		Ī	П
E. Lasers (Class, Earth	Pointing)		$\boxtimes$	П
	athogenic Microorganisms/Biological Agents	一十十	X	i i
	of any Substances into Air, Water, or Soil			ī
H. Hazardous Waste Ge			X	H
I. High Noise Levels		ᅥᆔ	$\boxtimes$	H
J. Sample Return to Ear	th	-		H
K. Radio Frequency Cor				H
	tion/Demolition of a Facility/Lab (onsite - offsite)			H
	ree Clearing, Removal of Vegetation	-		H
	d or Endangered Species			<del>                                     </del>
	f Sensitive Wildlife Habitat			H
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P. Impact on Cultural Re				
	al or Economic Conditions (Increase in Traffic, Employment, etc.)			
	Low Income Populations			
S. New or Foreign Laune				
	tial Environmental Impact		$\boxtimes$	<u> </u>
U. Environmental Permit Additional Information:	ts		$\boxtimes$	
8. What Safety Hazards are associated with the mission?  Crane lifts, RF radiation, launch, re-entry, battery reconditioning, and spacecraft fueling				
Summary of Subsyst	em Components			
	Propulsion Subsystem (PSS) is a blow-down, hydrazine monopropellant prop	oulsion syste	em si	milar to that
type, amount, tank size, successfully used on our other spacecraft. Propulsion subsystem contains a single propellant tank 40.9 materials, dimensions in OD x 41.7 in boss-to-boss Oblate Spheroid; Titanium.				
Communications X-band (qty 2), 17 dBw (EIRP); S-band (qty 2), 7 dBw (EIRP); Ka-band (qty 2), 56 dBw (EIRP)				
Structural Materials	Structural Materials Aluminum frame w/ honeycomb panels			
Power 4450 W EOL single wing deployable solar array; 8s2p 204Ahr Li-Ion Battery (qty 2)				
Science Instruments	ATMS, CrIS, OMPS, VIIRS, RBI			
Hazardous components (radioactive materials, lasers, chemicals, etc.)	(~170 g) Anhydrous Ammonia in spacecraft heat pipes; 23 kg Beryllium in Cr ATMS, and 1 kg Beryllium in VIIRS	IS, 2.5 kg B	erylli	um n
Other (include dimensions and weight of s/c)	H: 135" x Dia.: 52" Satellite Wet Mass: 2,680 kg			

# **GSFC Flight Project Environmental Checklist**

Project Manager Printed Name:	Signature Field				
Bryan A. Fafaul	Bryen a. Fafaul				
Project Name: JPSS Flight Project	Date: Phone Number: Org Code: 472				

### Comments:

JPSS-2, -3, and -4 include the "same" payload as SNPP, including the OMPS-Limb sensor. The Radiation Budget Instrument (RBI) is the next generation instrument that replaces the heritage SNPP and JPSS-1 CERES. RBI and OMPS-Limb are being provided to JPSS by NASA's Earth Systemic Missions (ESM) Program. JPSS-3 and JPSS-4 are identical to JPSS-2, including the same payloads. OMPS-Limb is included in the JPSS-3/4 instrument proposals, but dependent on funding. RBI has a Contract Line Item (CLIN) option for follow-on instruments for JPSS-3 and -4 per an IDIQ task. JPSS -2, -3, and -4 Missions are Category 1 per NPR 7120.5, High National Priority with Life Cycle Cost >\$1B. The payload is a Class B Payload Risk Classification per NPR 8705.4, High National Significance, High Complexity, High Cost Mission Lifetime 2-5 Years. The Launch Vehicle is a Risk Category 2 per NPR 8610.7, Medium Risk, "launch vehicles that have demonstrated a limited history of successful flights". The Mission Design summary is that JPSS-2/3/4 Spacecraft are identical; JPSS-2/3/4 Payloads are identical; Mission Lifetime is 7 years; propellant budget for 10.5 years; Orbit: Sun Synchronous (824 km, LTAN 1330); Launching from the Western Test Range; and End of Mission plan is Controlled Reentry.

Launch Service procurement planning dates J2 NET 2QCY2017 J3 NET 2QCY2020 J4 NET 2QCY2023