Subject: Some results from art/LArSoft OS preference survey

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Hi,

    Marc, Lynn and I met to collate some results from the OS preference survey. Here are my notes from that meeting. Please send corrections, clarifications, etc.

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Present: Marc Paterno, Lynn Garren, Erica snider

The questions we want to answer:

- Respondents: 47
- N users vs developers
    - developers = 38, users = 9
- N laptop developers vs not
    - Yes = 34, No = 13

    - Among those who develop on laptops, how many would prefer something other than what is currently supported: 24 of 34. The breakdown:
        - El Capitan = 4
        - "OSX" unspecified = 1
        - Fedora = 5
        - Linux mint variants = 2
        - Debian = 1
        - Ubuntu LTS (v 14 or 16) = 6
        - Ubuntu current = 2
        - Ubuntu "unspecified" = 3
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        - Total of 24 who would rather be using something else. (10 provided no answer)
            - Of these 24, 14 would use Ubuntu LTS if supported

        - How many of the 34 appear to be "developing" on something that is not supported? 12:
            - Fedora = 2
            - Linux mint = 2
            - OSX *and* ubuntu = 1
            - El Capitan = 3
            - Ubuntu current = 4
    - Among the 13 who are not developing on laptops now, how many would if their OS were supported: 12.
        - The 1 lone person who would not use their laptop is running OS X yosemite. Would prefer to use El Capitan

    The breakdown for this 13:

        - No specified system but selected "yes" under "I would use Ubuntu LTS if available" = 7

- Total who would be satisfied with Ubuntu LTS = 9 yes, 4 no
  - This group includes the 7 above, plus two more who wrote in Ubuntu LTS as their preferred system
- Would develop on laptop if their system were supported, but did not indicate what their system is and did not respond to "would use Ubuntu LTS" = 2
- Arch Linux = 1
- Gentoo Linux = 1
- Yosemite = 1
- El Capitan = 1

- Total from all respondents who would use Ubuntu LTS for development if offered.
  - 24 no, 23 yes
  - This is the bottom line