

LBNF Update

- Groundbreaking – held on 21 July at Sanford Lab at 4850L. Hosted by South Dakota governor, and well attended by congressional delegations, representatives from INFN, STFC, CERN, and executive office of the President.
- Contracting – contract awarded to Kiewit/Alberici JV for the far site conventional facilities construction work.
 - Kick off meeting held 29/30 August at SURF. 30 participants from FRA, LBNF, SDSTA, KAJV attended.
 - Notice to Proceed on first phase of contract (development of work packages for pre-excavation work) issued on 20 September.
- Staffing:
 - Far Site Logistics Manager position – new hire started 18 September.
 - Far Site Construction Coordinator – recruiting process underway.
 - Procurement specialists (FNAL to support LBNF) – recruiting process underway.

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- Review of warm cryostat structure design v3 held at SURF 21/22 August at SURF. No notable issues identified by review committee.
- Far Site integration meeting followed on 23/24 August.
- LBNF Beam Optimization Review currently underway at Fermilab.
 - Review will evaluate the design, cost, and schedule for the conceptual-level designs.
 - Results of review will be provided to the LBNF/DUNE Experiment-Facility Interface Group (EFIG) for the EFIG's consideration of possible configuration changes to the reference design of the LBNF Beamline.
- Upcoming reviews:
 - LBNC review 26 – 28 October at SURF
 - DOE Independent Progress Review tentatively scheduled for late Feb 2018