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Fermilab Testbeam Committee

CHARGE

The testbeam facilities at Fermilab are a valuable resource for the HEP community. In the past it has been customary to approve all testbeam experiments that have scientific merit. However, the Fermilab testbeam facilities have become over-subscribed, making it necessary to make programmatic choices, which may determine which experiments run, the beam-time they get, and the order in which they run.

The committee is asked to give advice to the Fermilab Directorate on the programmatic choices needed to optimize both community use of the testbeam facility and its scientific impact. The committee chair is expected to define, in consultation with the Testbeam Coordinator, what decisions are needed and on what timescale.

The committee should meet as needed, and produce a brief bi-annual report documenting the advice. The report should be submitted to the Office of Program Planning. The Testbeam Coordinator will use the advice to guide week-by-week scheduling decisions.

Although the primary purpose of the committee is to give programmatic advice, the Directorate will welcome other comments about utilization of the facility and the need for enhancements.