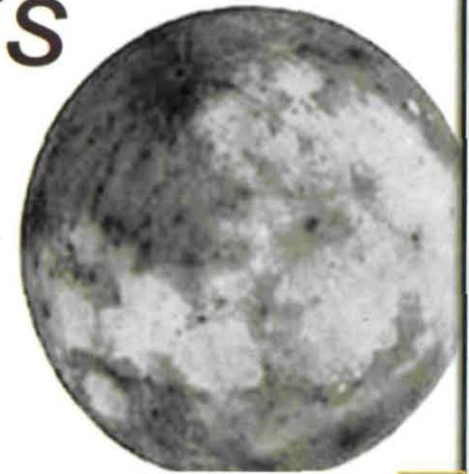




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# Project ELaNa and NASA's CubeSat Initiative

CalPoly 2010  
Summer CubeSat Workshop  
Small Satellite Conference  
Utah State University



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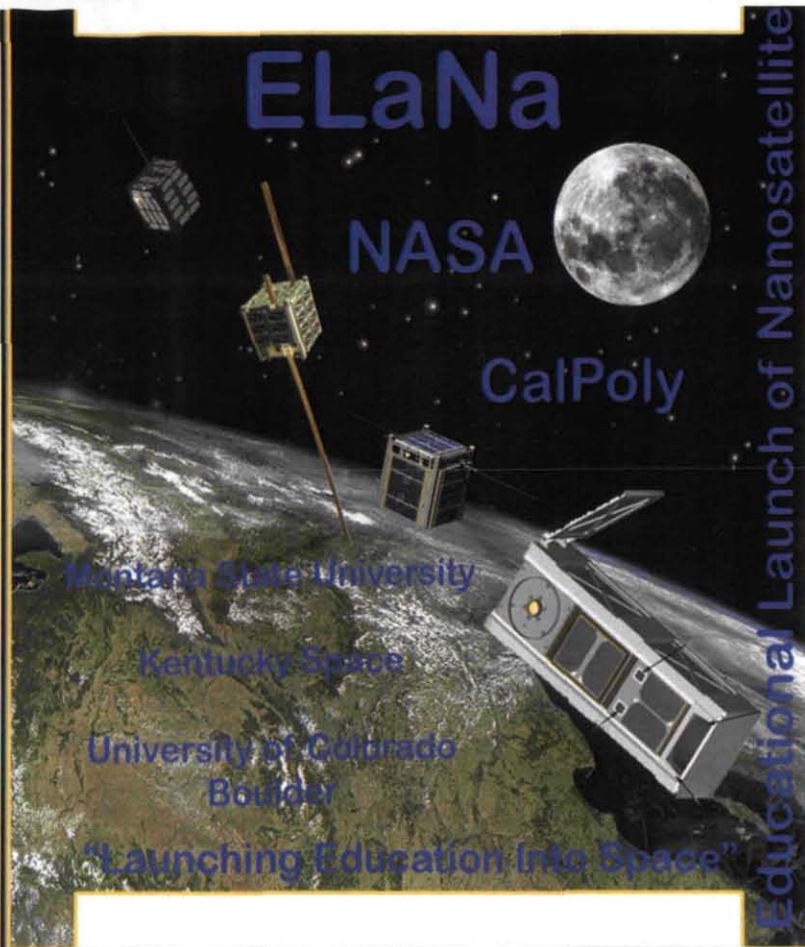
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Launch Services Program

Educational Launch of Nanosatellite





## Launch Services Program Involvement

ELaNa – Education Launch of Nanosatellite

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### ***“Launching Education into Space”***

An effort to return educational spaceflight to NASA

Currently planning to fly on ELV some time in 2010 ( once we get HQ approval )

Developing the capability to fly P-Pods on LSP procured Launch Vehicles

What is the importance of PPOD/CubeSats?

- To bring back an Educational element to space flight - University Payload Program
- Can help in meeting NASA Goal and Vision of going to the Moon and Mars
- Increase Payload Capability for our customers
- Training future engineers and scientist to enter into the aerospace field

Who is ELaNa?

The first ELaNa mission is comprised of three University CubeSats to demonstrate various technology

Montana State University

Kentucky Space

University of Colorado – Boulder





# Educational Developments

## LSP Future Developments

Start a University Payload Project that will allow universities to build a CubeSat type payload to provide information that will aid or verify NASA Projects designs while providing higher education research

Last summer's FPO Intern student started the ground work for the first LSP CubeSat Development Payload

- This will be a 2U CubeSat that will measure launch vehicle environments at the CubeSat location

There will be a call for proposals put out to the university community from which three will be selected to proceed to PDR - 2 year program

## Education 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>

CubeSat projects can be developed in the high schools environment by using CubeSat development kits.

Currently Thomas Jefferson High School has an active CubeSat Project and is now preparing for a flight

These kits can be used to promote Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics while preparing students for college programs



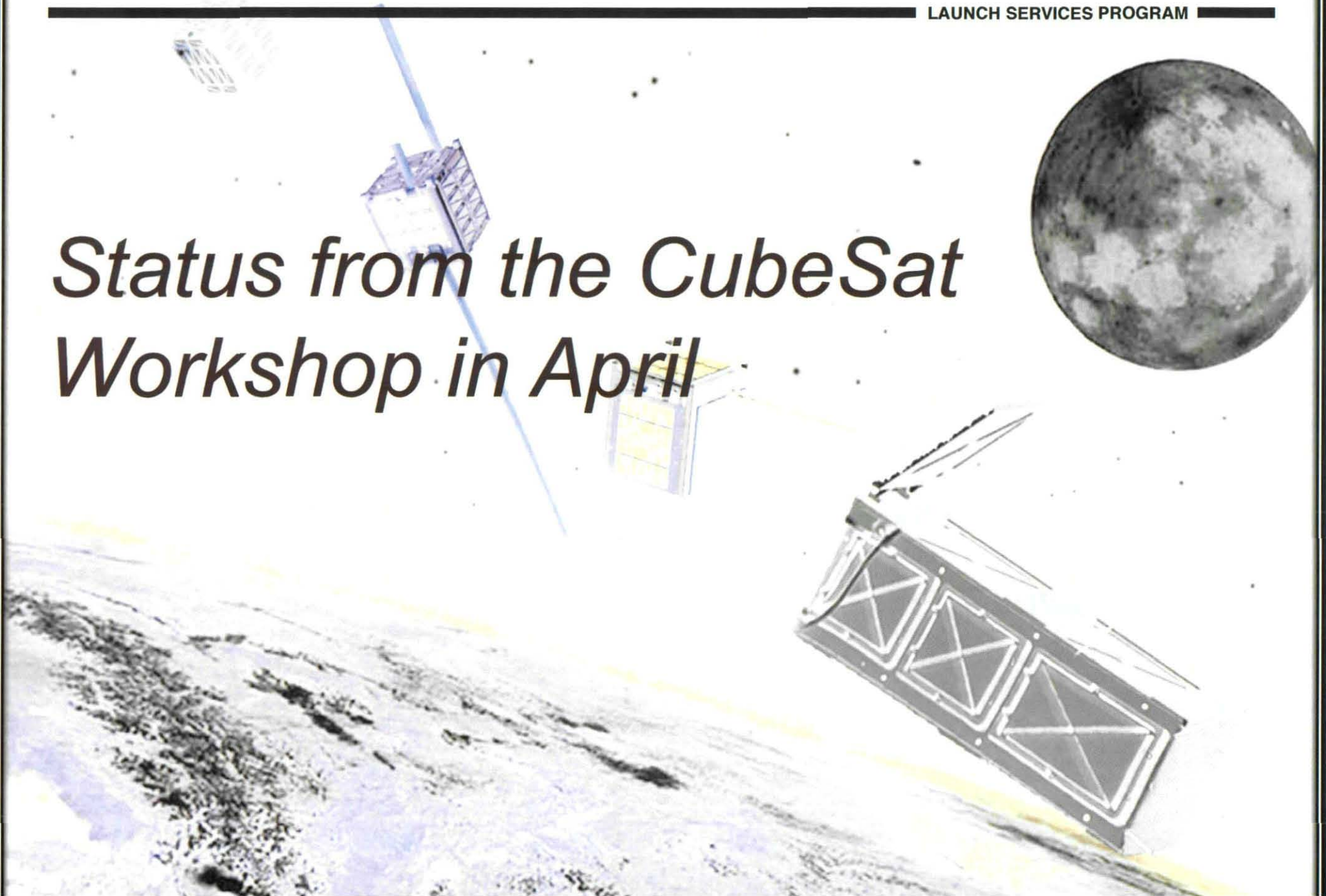




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*Status from the CubeSat  
Workshop in April*







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## ***Announcement of CubeSat Launch Initiative***

***February 23, 2010***

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Space Operations Mission Directorate (SOMD) anticipates that launch opportunities for a limited number of CubeSats may be available on launches currently planned for 2011 and 2012. These launch opportunities would constitute a pilot project intended to demonstrate viable launch opportunities for CubeSat payloads as auxiliary payloads on planned missions.

Response Date: April 15, 2010

Selection Notification: Selection is anticipated by June 30, 2010

*I hope that every CubeSat project submitted!*





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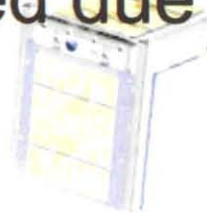
So what was the out come of the Announcement?

16 - Proposals were received

One proposal was removed due to not having a NASA relationship

Three proposal were removed due to not meeting the requirements of the proposal

12 Proposal (CubeSat mission) were selected and are now being manifested on ELVs







# Current Mission

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## *ELaNa – Educational Launch of Nanosatellite*

*Glory Mission – November 22, 2010*

*1 P-POD - Taurus XL*

*1U Montana State Univ – Prime F1*

*1U Kentucky Space – KYSat*

*1U Univ of Colorado – HERMES*

*Falcon 1e Enabler Mission – 2011*

*2 CubeSats*

*Unv of Florida - SwampSat*

*CalPoly – CP5*

*NPP Mission – October 2011*

*3 P-Pods – Delta II*

*2U Univ of Michigan – COVE/McCabe*

*1U Montana State Univ – Prime F2*

*3U Univ of Michigan – RAX*

*3U Utah St Univ, - DICE*

*Back Up*

*3U Univ of California – CINEMA*







# Current Missions

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## *ELaNa – Educational Launch of Nanosatellite*

CRS#2 – October, 2011

4 P-POD – Falcon 9

*Manifest is in work and CubeSats will come from the CubeSats initiative announcement*

CRS#3 – NET March, 2012

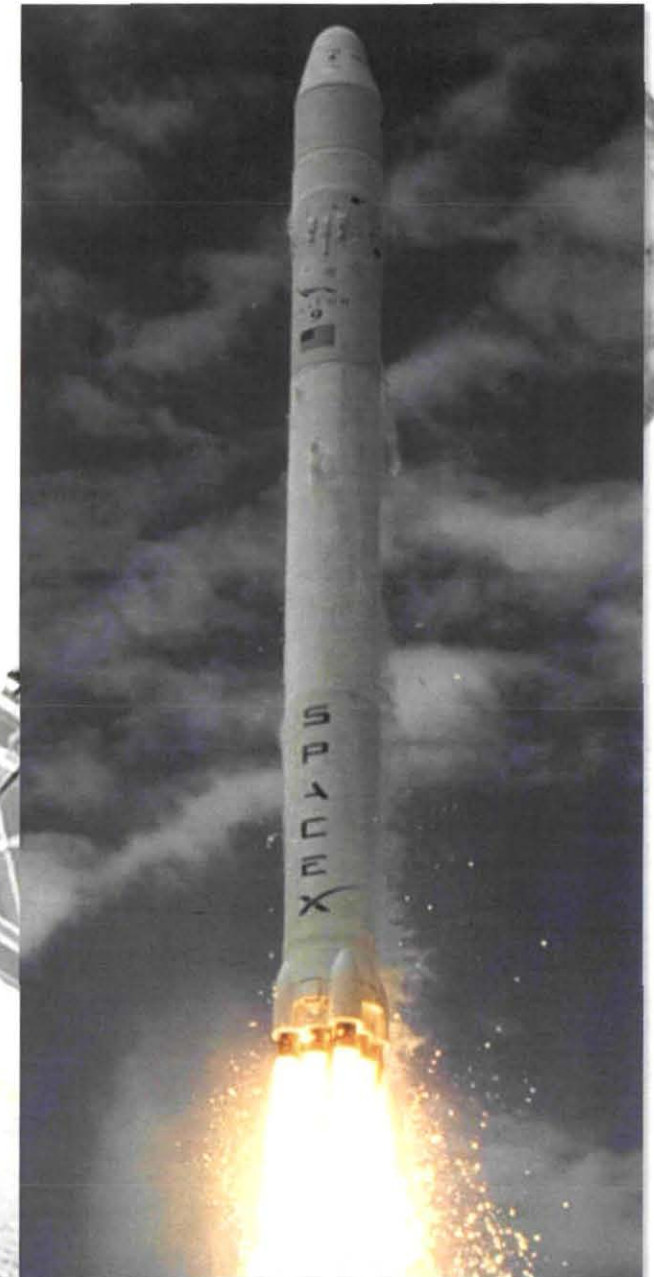
5 P-POD – Falcon 9

*Manifest is in work and CubeSats will come from the CubeSats initiative announcement*

So how does a CubeSat increase their chances to get on orbit? –

**Design to the minimum orbital requirement of the CRS missions 325km @ 51 degrees inclination**

Future CRS Mission may have the ability to go to higher orbit







# Manifesting

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## CubeSat Launch Initiative

CubeSat Missions

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CubeSat Missions

## NASA CubeSat Missions

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CubeSat Missions

## Selection Representatives

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ESMD

ISS

SMD

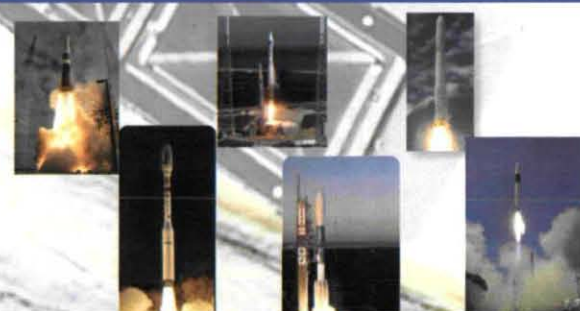
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CubeSat Missions  
Selection List  
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perform manifesting and  
management of CubeSats  
integration on ELVs







# Summer CubeSat Workshop

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## ***Announcement of CubeSat Launch Initiative*** ***July 30, 2010***

The newly release announcement is very similar to the first release however there are some changes

- Proposal development from 45 to 107 days
- The previous announcement required development efforts to be conducted under existing NASA-supported activities. This announcement relieves this requirement and will judge otherwise qualified submissions solely against the selection criteria.

Response Date: November 15, 2010

Selection Notification: Selection is anticipated by January 30, 2011

*I hope that every CubeSat project submits!*





# Flight Rate

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What are the current estimates for possible flight opportunities for P-PODs to maintain sustainability?

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14
# of PPODs	1	12	8 - 10	8 - 10

My question to the community is:

If NASA secures these opportunities, will there be CubeSats there to fly?





# Future Mission

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NASA — Launch Services Program continues to perform studies on developing capabilities to integrate both P-PODs and Small Deployables on ELVs

These studies are focusing on a common interface for small deployables between ELVs currently on contract

With common interfaces should come standards for small deployable mission

3U P-POD

6U Deployer,

8 inch interface

15 inch interface







# In Summary

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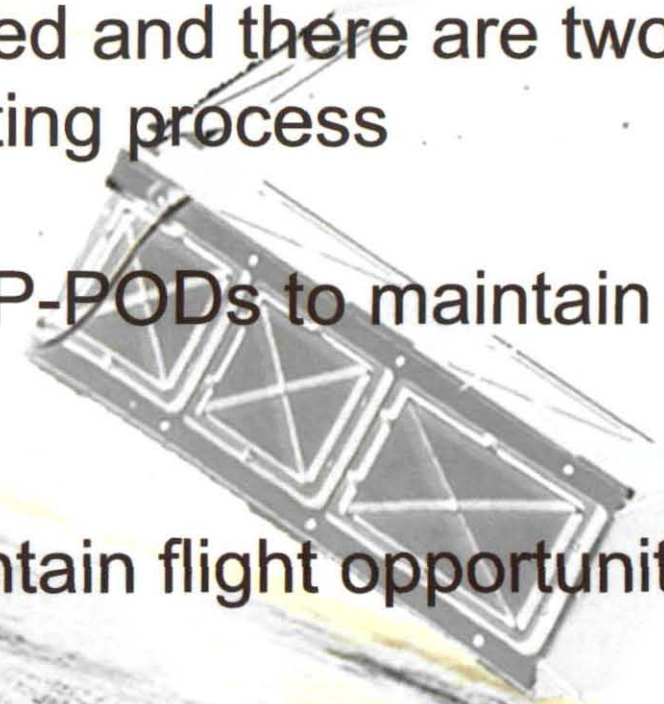
ELaNa – Educational Launch of Nanosatellite  
*“Launch Education into Space”*

Two Announcements of CubeSat Launch Initiative  
targeting CubeSat to be launched on NASA ELVs

Two launches have been manifested and there are two  
additional launches in the manifesting process

Developing flight opportunities for P-PODs to maintain  
sustainability for CubeSats

CubeSats need to be there to maintain flight opportunities







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# Questions

