

NATIONAL RADIO ASTRONOMY OBSERVATORY
Socorro, New Mexico

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TO: VLBA Members

FROM: Cam Wade

SUBJECT: Site Group Meeting, 860730

PRESENT: Crane, Kellermann, Napier, Oty, Romney, Ross, Wade, Walker

PIE TOWN: Work under the Lavis contract is finished. Work on the control building has begun.

KITT PEAK: The contract with Sierrita Mining and Ranching for the site preparation has been approved by the NSF.

LOS ALAMOS: Eight bids were received from interested contractors for the site preparation on July 11. Negotiations with the apparent low bidder are in progress.

IOWA: Our application for the North Liberty site is being processed by the Corps of Engineers.

ST. CROIX: The Pentheny Hill site probably can not be acquired for the VLBA. It seems likely, however, that a suitable site can be found on land adjacent to the West Indies Laboratory. Peery and Wade will visit WIL during August to check this out. RFI tests at WIL last month by Jim Oty were very favorable.

TEXAS: Agreement has been reached with a private land owner for purchase of a site adjacent to the Harvard Fort Davis station. The purchase should be completed in September.

WASHINGTON, HAWAII, OWENS VALLEY, NORTHEAST: Nothing new.