

NATIONAL RADIO ASTRONOMY OBSERVATORY
Socorro, New Mexico

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TO: VLBA Members

FROM: Cam Wade

SUBJECT: Site Group Meeting, 861119

PRESENT: Brundage, Crane, Dowling, Egler, Napier, Peery, Porter,
Romney, Ross, Wade, Walker.

GENERAL MATTERS: The Pie Town station will be dedicated on 25 June 1987, the 111th anniversary of Custer's Last Stand. A memorable date for the VLBA, as indeed it was for Custer...

Henceforth, the Site Group will meet every second month. Next meeting will be on 28 January 1987.

PIE TOWN: Site work is nearly finished. Building and other remaining details should be completed during December.

KITT PEAK: Antenna foundation is nearly finished. The building will soon be under roof.

LOS ALAMOS: Antenna foundation is nearing completion. The walls for the control building are rising. Electric, telephone, and water lines are in.

IOWA: All preliminaries have been completed, and work on the site will begin next week.

TEXAS: The last hurdles for the acquisition of the site are being cleared. We go for bids next month.

ST. CROIX: Negotiation for site purchase is in progress.

HAWAII: We have found a promising site at the 9000-foot level on the north flank of Mauna Loa, adjacent to the existing road and power line to the Mauna Loa Observatory (NOAA). The topography in the vicinity provides considerable protection from volcanic activity on the Northeast Rift Zone. Investigation continues.

WASHINGTON, OWENS VALLEY, NORTHEAST: Nothing new.