

# NOAA's Newest Generation of Geostationary Weather Satellites

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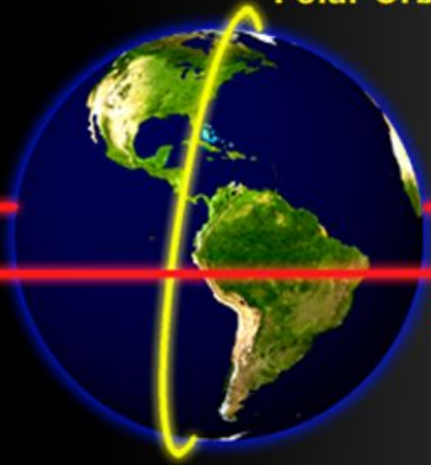
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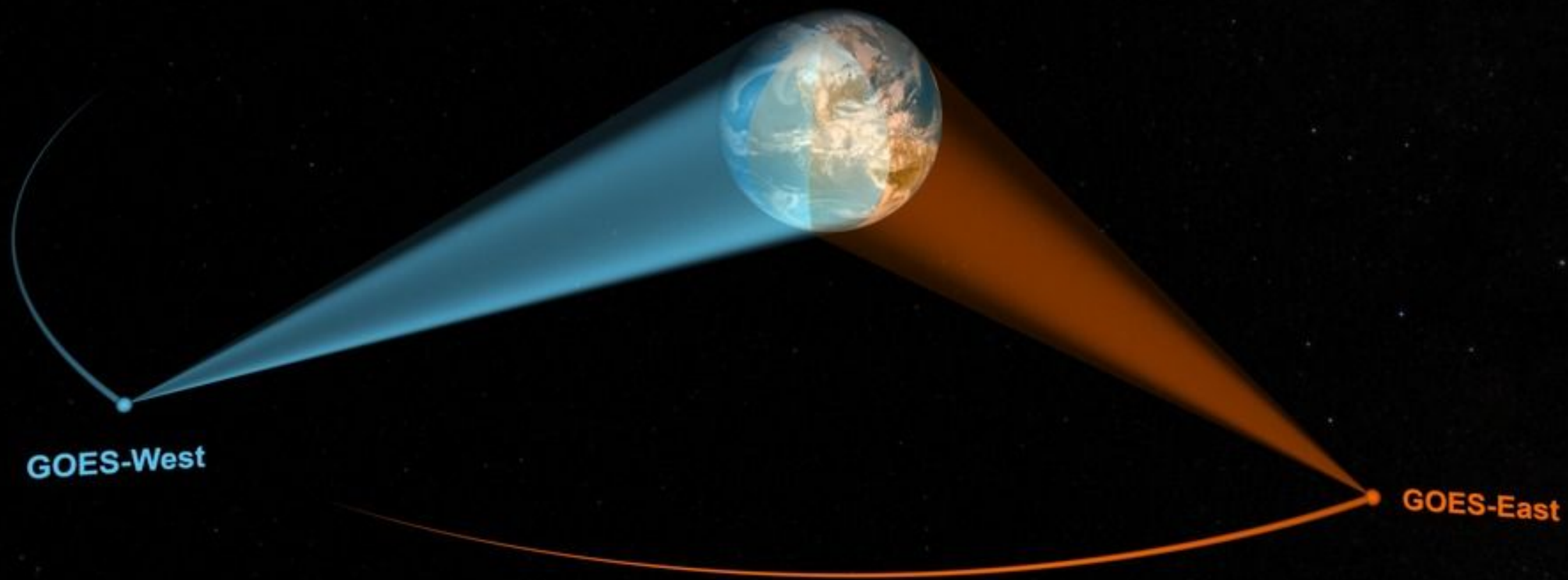
**Polar Orbiting Satellite = 850 kilometers (528 miles) altitude**

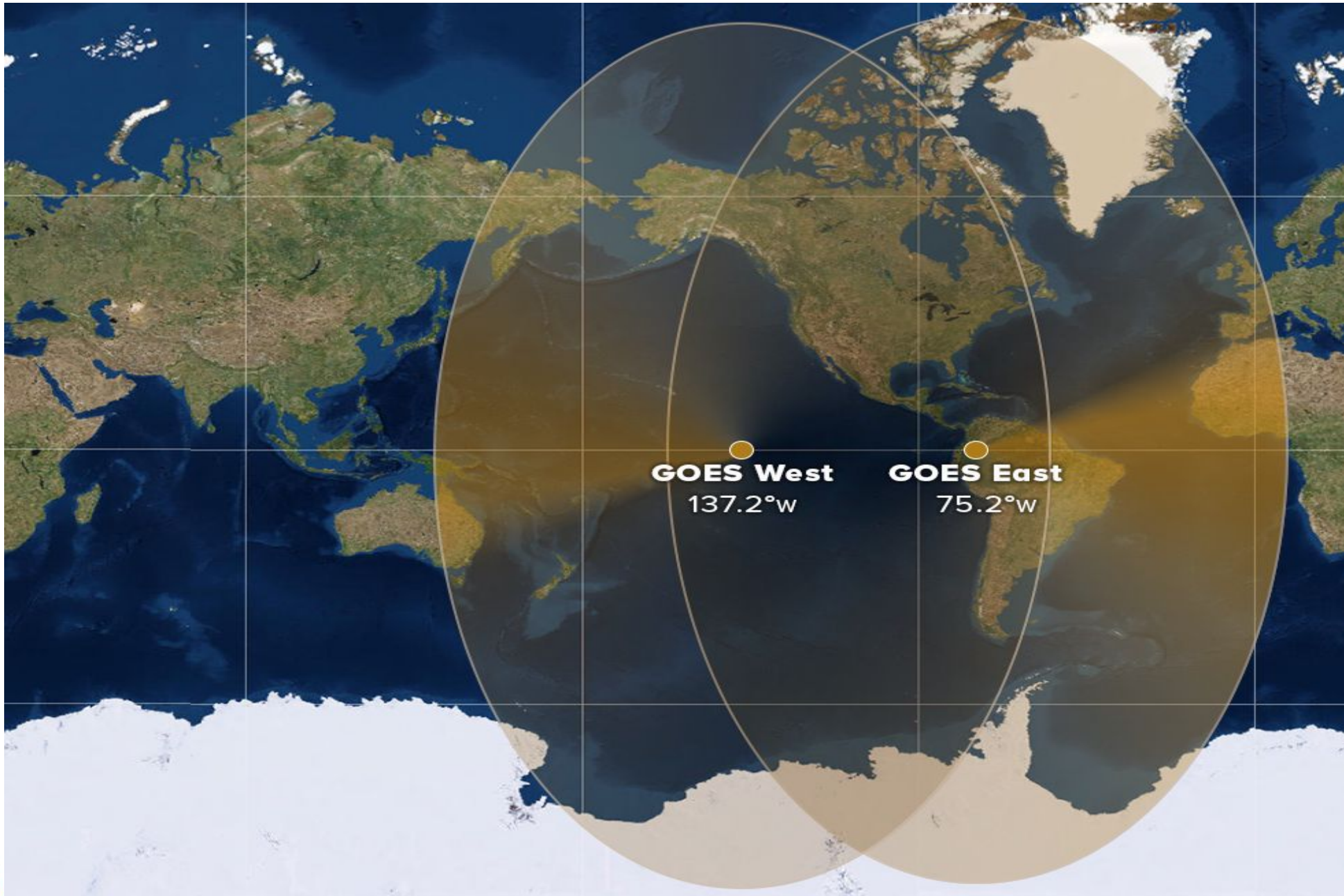


**Geostationary Satellite = 35,800 kilometers (22,200 miles) altitude**

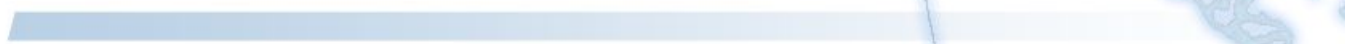
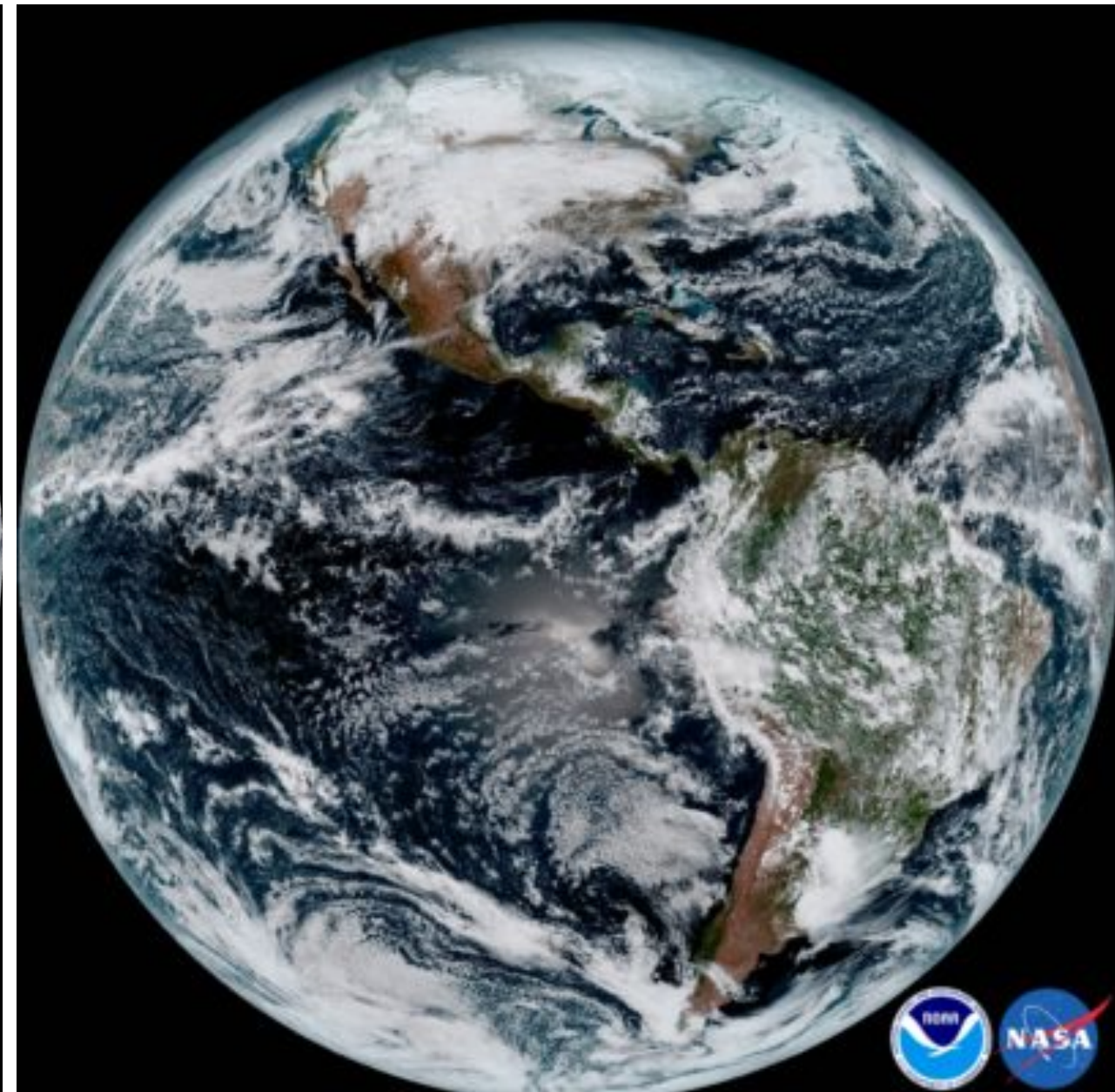
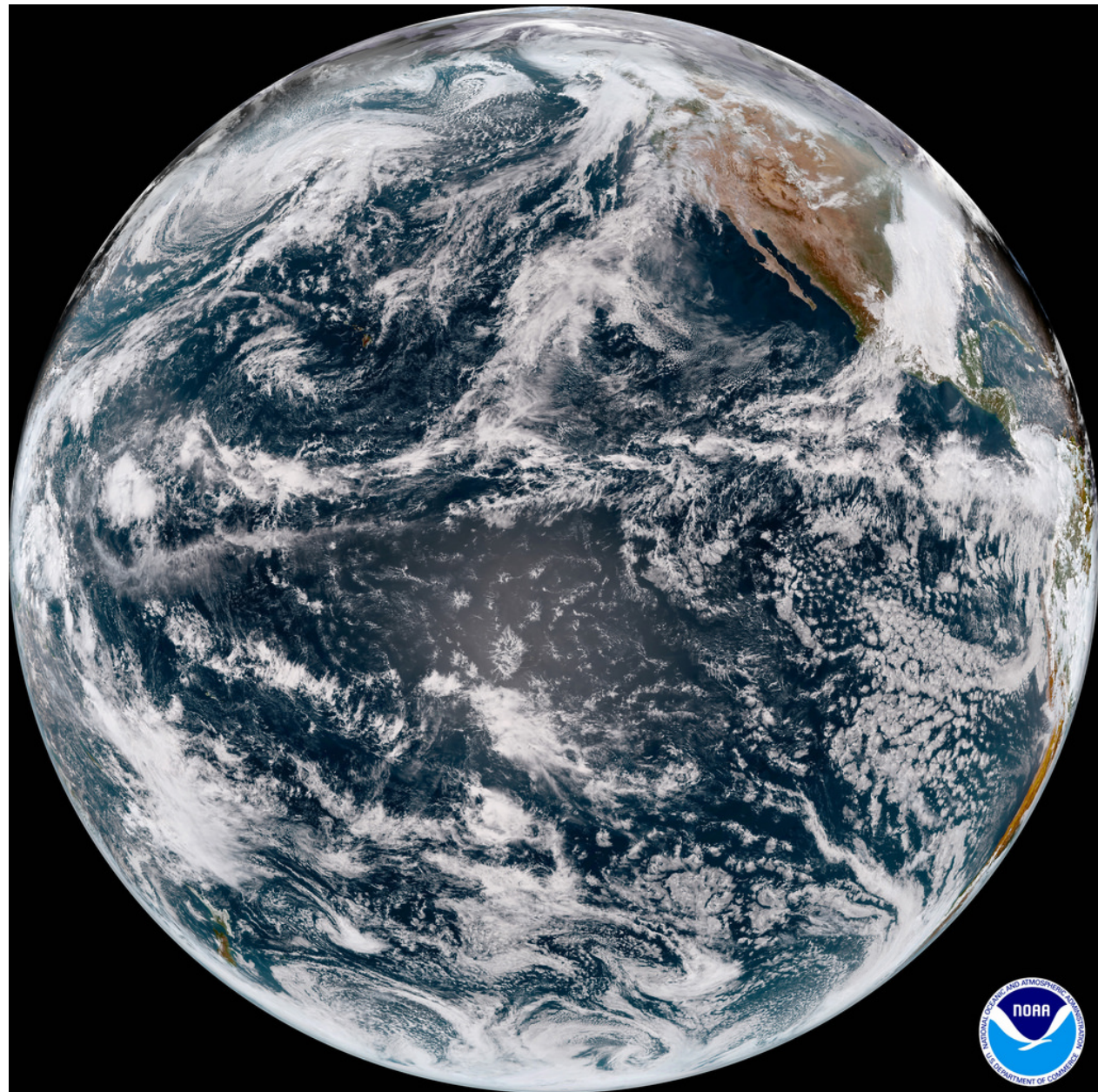
**Earth Diameter = 12,756 kilometers (7,973 miles)**



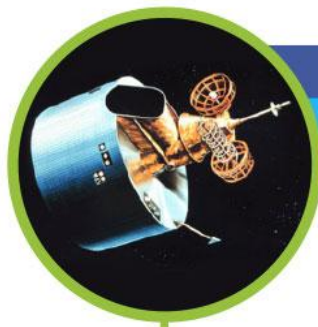
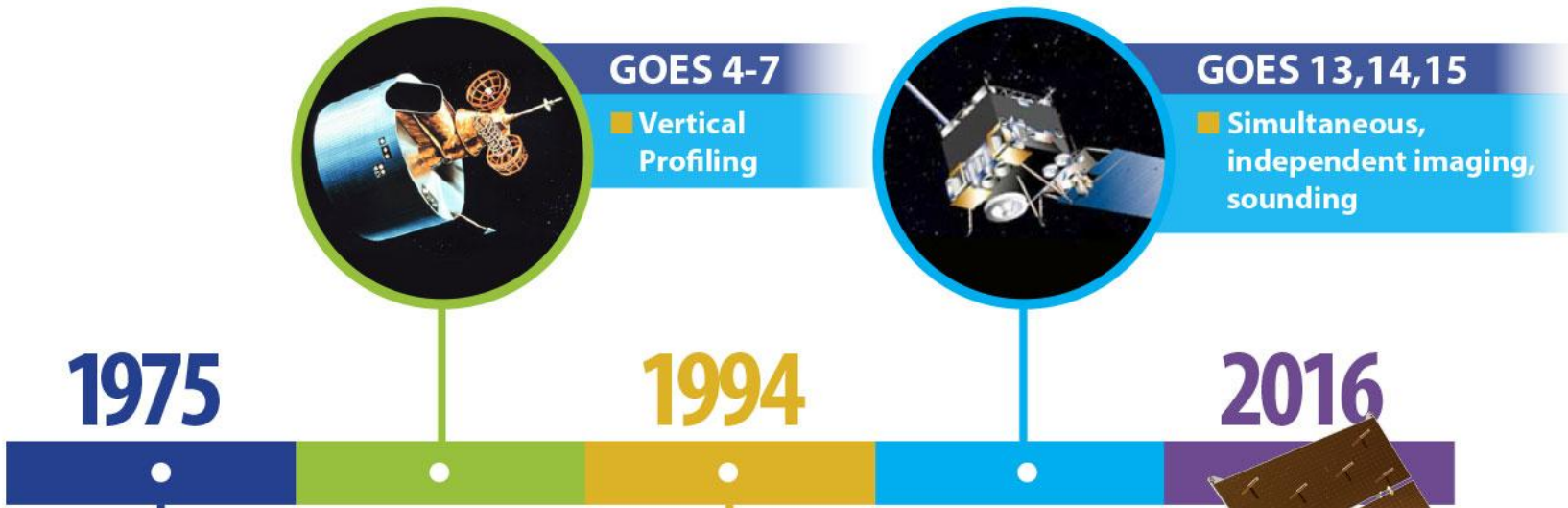












**GOES 4-7**  
 ■ Vertical Profiling



**GOES 13,14,15**  
 ■ Simultaneous, independent imaging, sounding

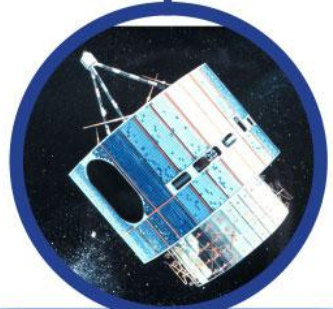
**1975**

**1994**

**2016**

**1980**

**2006**



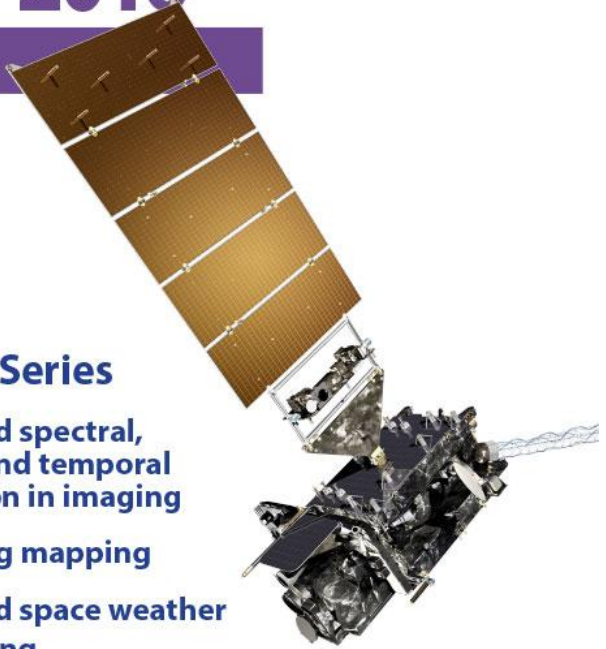
**GOES 1-3**  
 ■ NOAA's First GOES  
 ■ Spin-stabilized

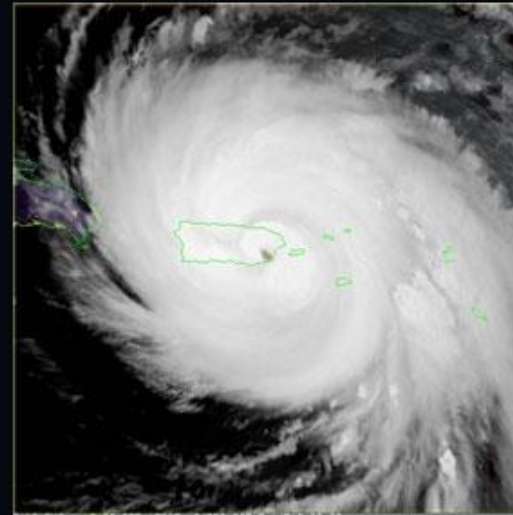
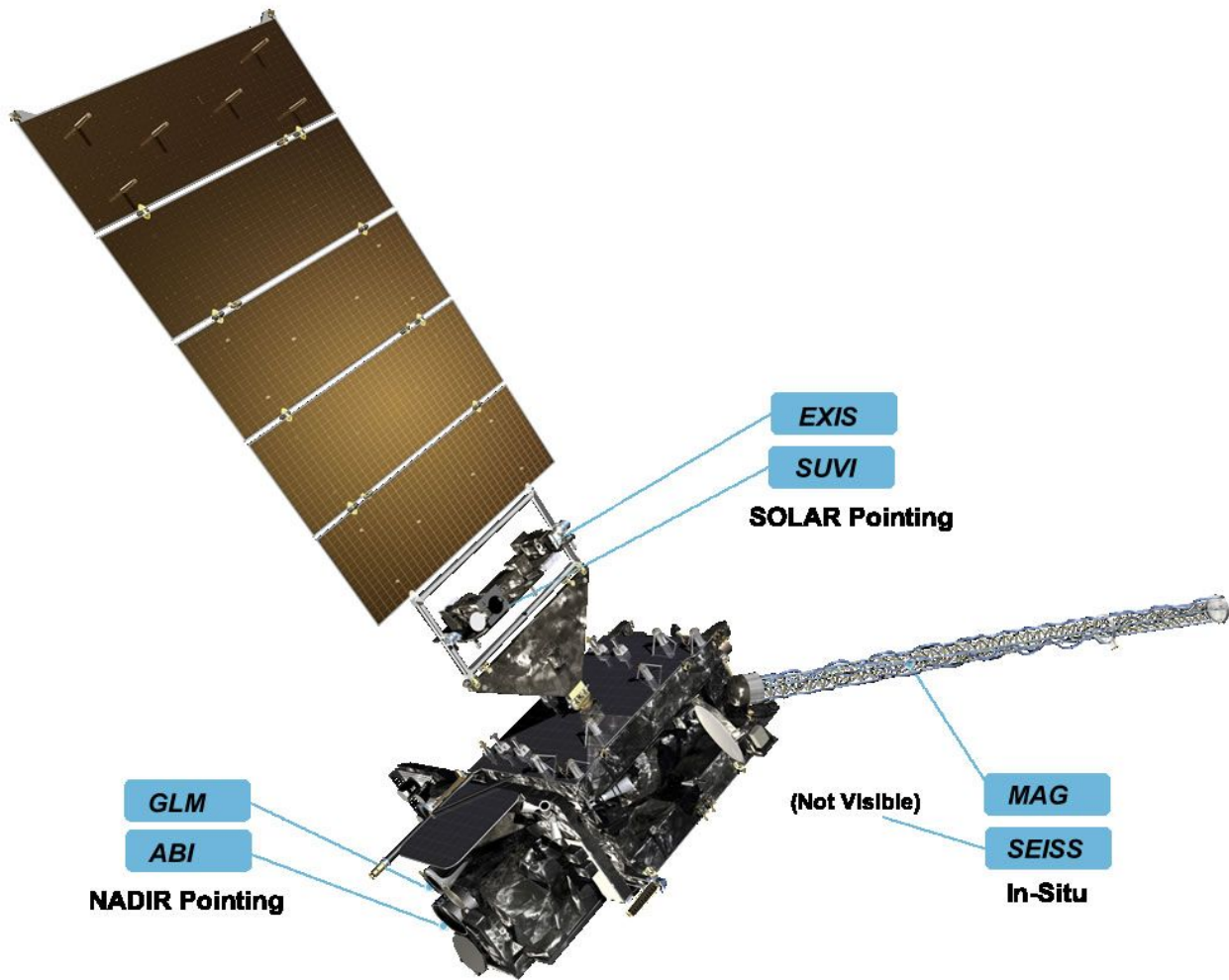


**GOES 8-12**  
 ■ 3-axis stabilized  
 ■ Simultaneous imaging, sounding 100% of time

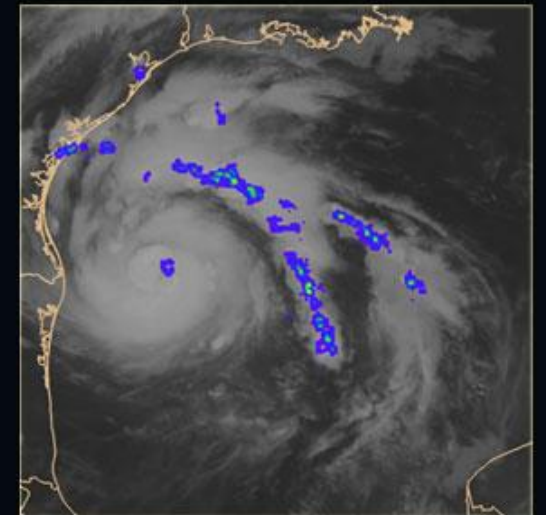
**GOES-R Series**

- Improved spectral, spatial and temporal resolution in imaging
- Lightning mapping
- Improved space weather monitoring

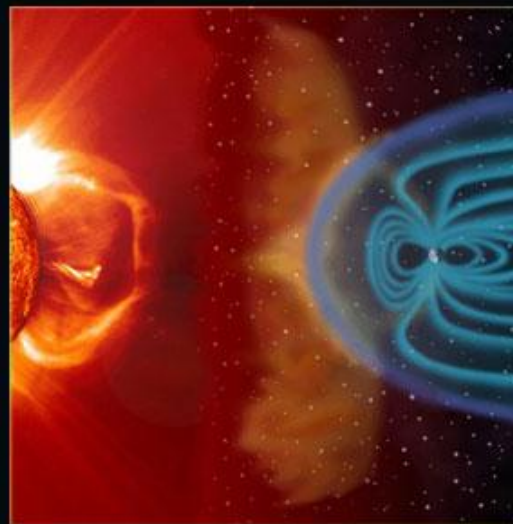




Visible and Infrared Imagery



Lightning Mapping

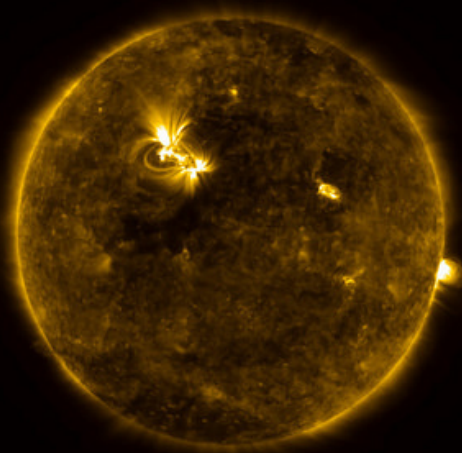


Space Weather Monitoring

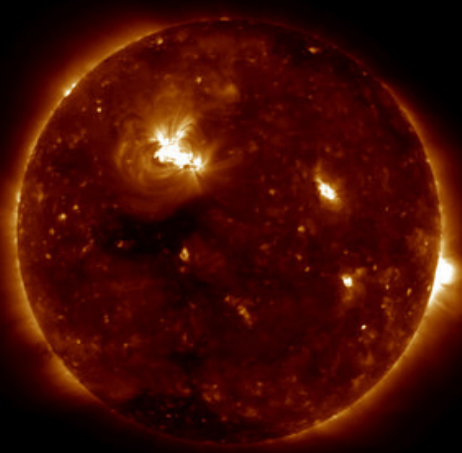


Solar Imaging

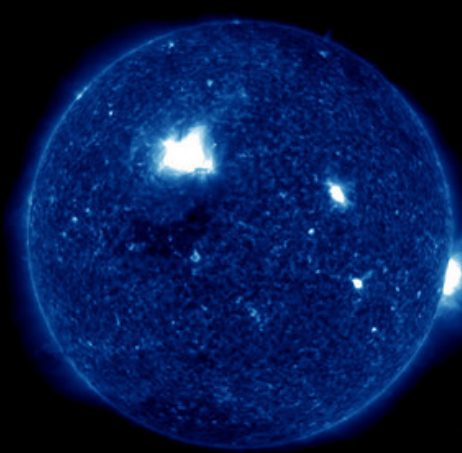




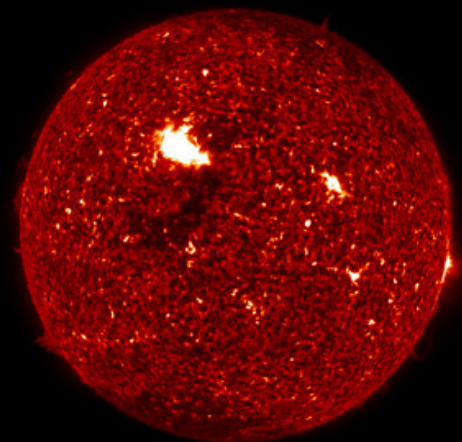
GOES-17 SUVI 171Å



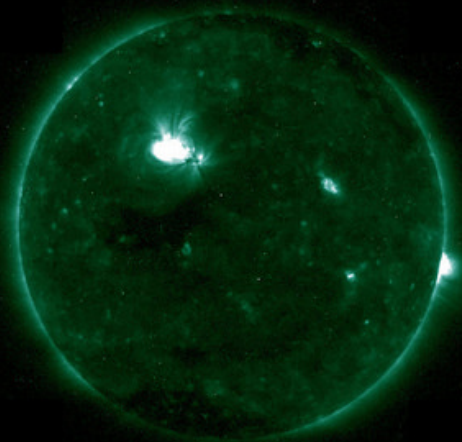
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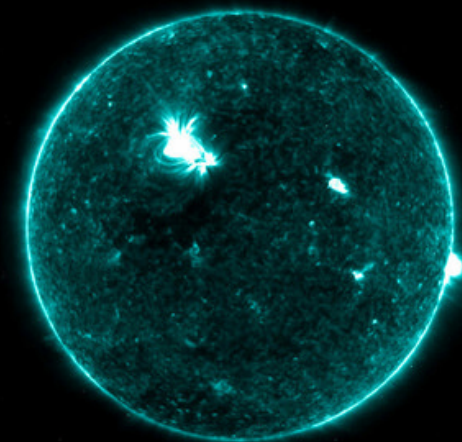
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GOES-17 SUVI 304Å



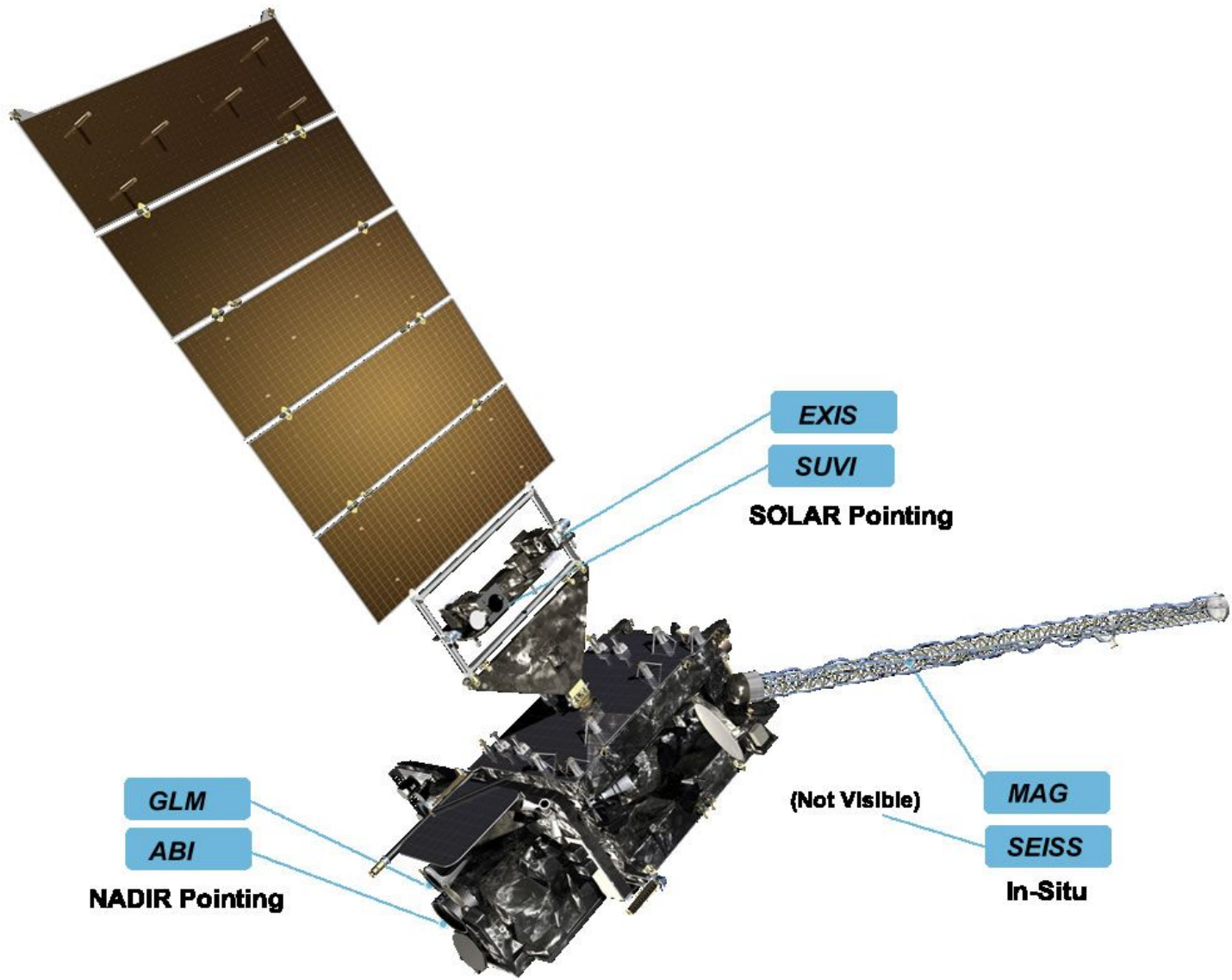
GOES-17 SUVI 94Å



GOES-17 SUVI 131Å







## ABI MODES OF OPERATION

- **Full Disk:** Hemispheric Coverage of  $83^\circ$  local zenith angle, temporal resolution of 5-15 minutes, and spatial resolution of 0.5 to 2km
- **Mesoscale:** Provides coverage over a 1000x1000km box with a temporal resolution of 30 seconds, and spatial resolution of 0.5 to 2km.
- **Continental US:** The CONUS scan is performed every 5 minutes, providing coverage of the 5000km (E/W) and 3000km (N/S) rectangle over the United States. The spatial resolution is 0.5 to 2km.
- **Flex Mode:** The flex mode provides a full disk scan every 15 minutes, a CONUS every 5 minutes, and two mesoscale every 60 seconds (or one sub-region every 30 seconds).





# GOES-R THE FUTURE OF FORECASTING

## 3X MORE CHANNELS



Improves every product from current GOES Imager and will offer new products for severe weather forecasting, fire and smoke monitoring, volcanic ash advisories, and more.

## 4X BETTER RESOLUTION



The GOES-R series of satellites will offer images with greater clarity and 4x better resolution than earlier GOES satellites.

## 5X FASTER SCANS

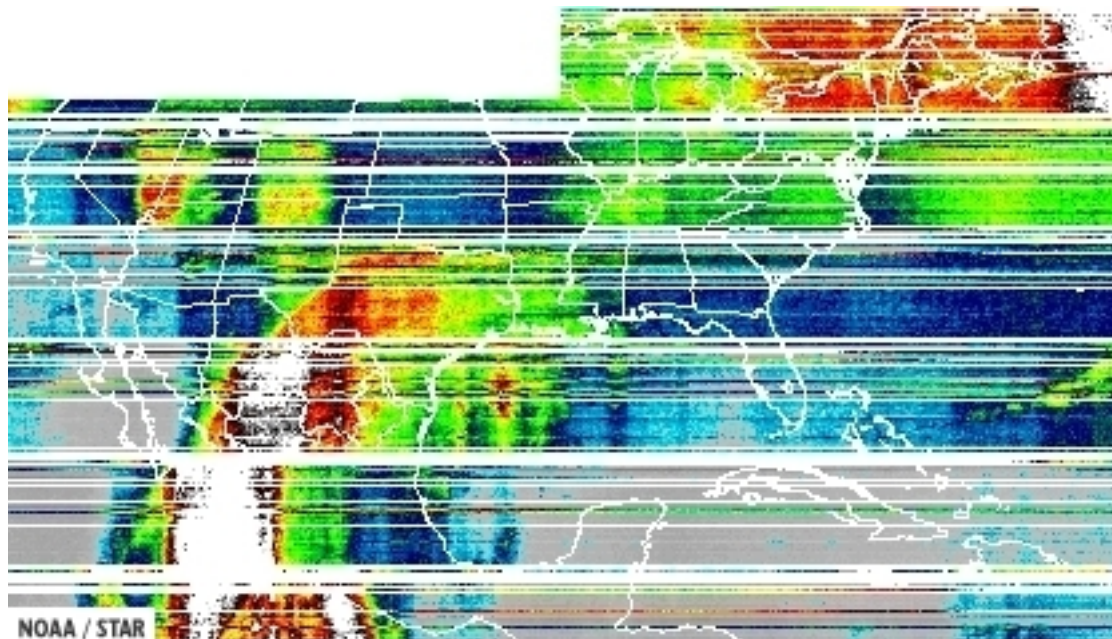


Faster scans every 30 seconds of severe weather events and can scan the entire full disk of the Earth 5x faster than before.

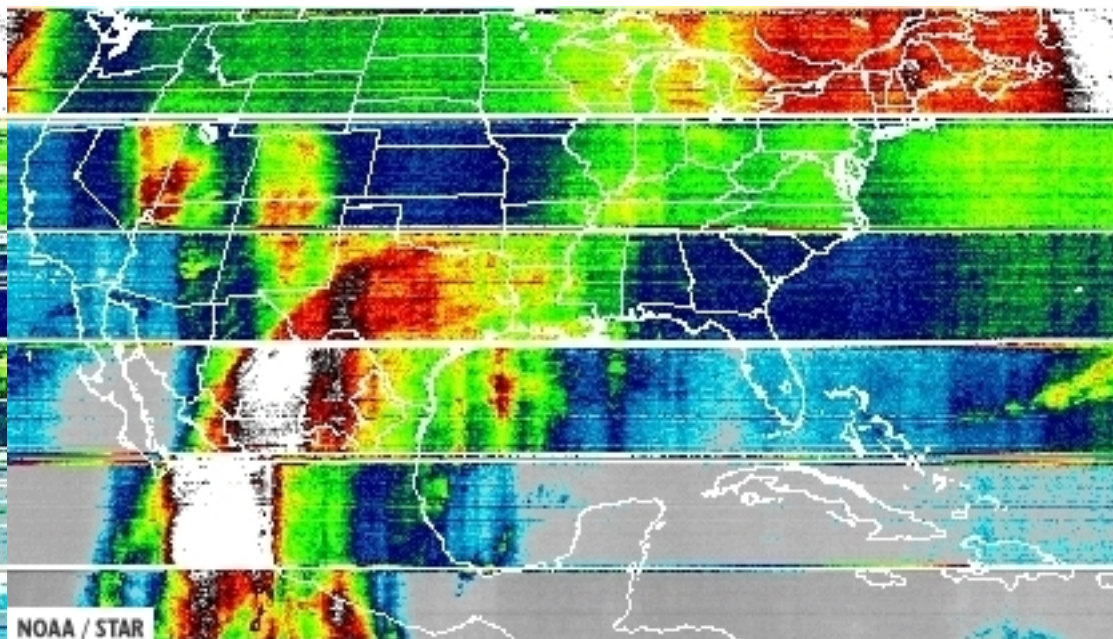








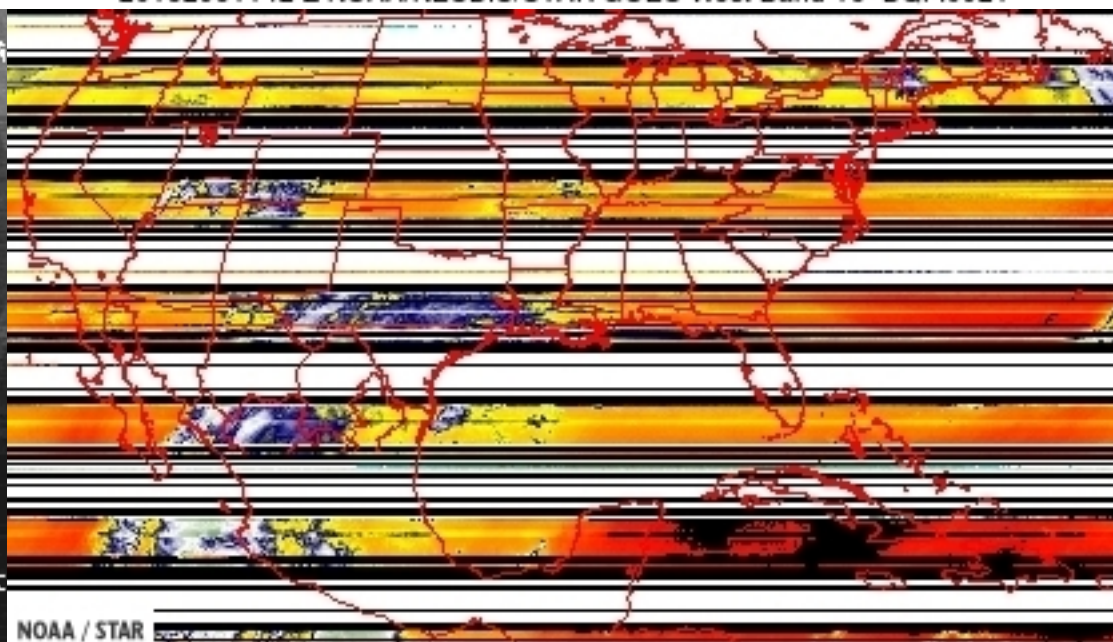
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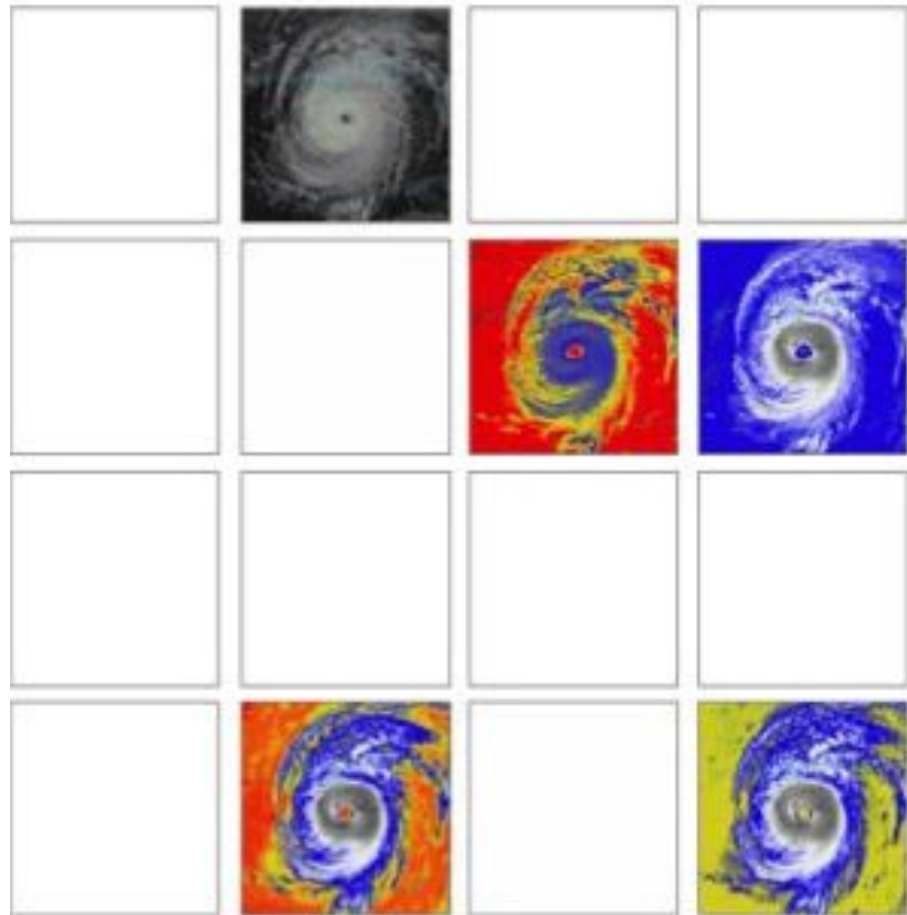


## COMPARISON GOES-R SERIES ABI VS CURRENT GOES

ATTRIBUTE :	ABI	CURRENT GOES IMAGER
Spectral Coverage	16 bands	5 bands
<b>Spatial Resolution</b>		
0.64 $\mu\text{m}$ Visible	0.5 km	~ 1 km
Other visible/near-IR	1.0 km	n/a
Bands ( $>2 \mu\text{m}$ )	2 km	~ 4 km
<b>Spatial Coverage</b>		
Full Disk	4 per hour	Scheduled (3 hrly)
CONUS	12 per hour	~4 per hour
Mesoscale	30 or 60 sec	n/a
<b>Visible (reflective bands)</b>		
On-orbit calibration	Yes	No



### GOES-13/14/15 Spectral Bands



### GOES-R Spectral Bands

