



# NSF's NOIRLab Facility Operations During COVID-19

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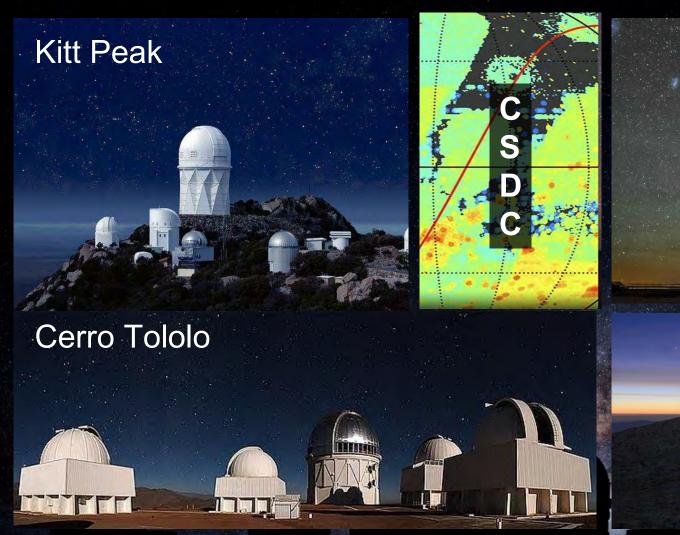


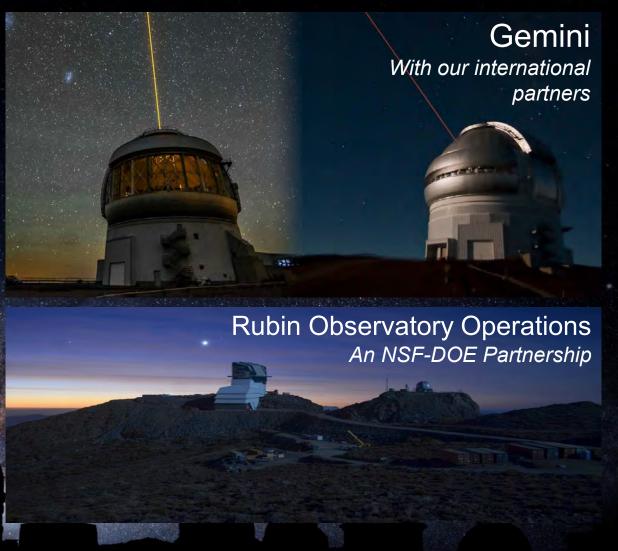
- What is NSF's NOIRLab?
  - National Optical-InfraRed Astronomy Research Laboratory
- Impact on operations
- Approach to management and planning
- Measures taken



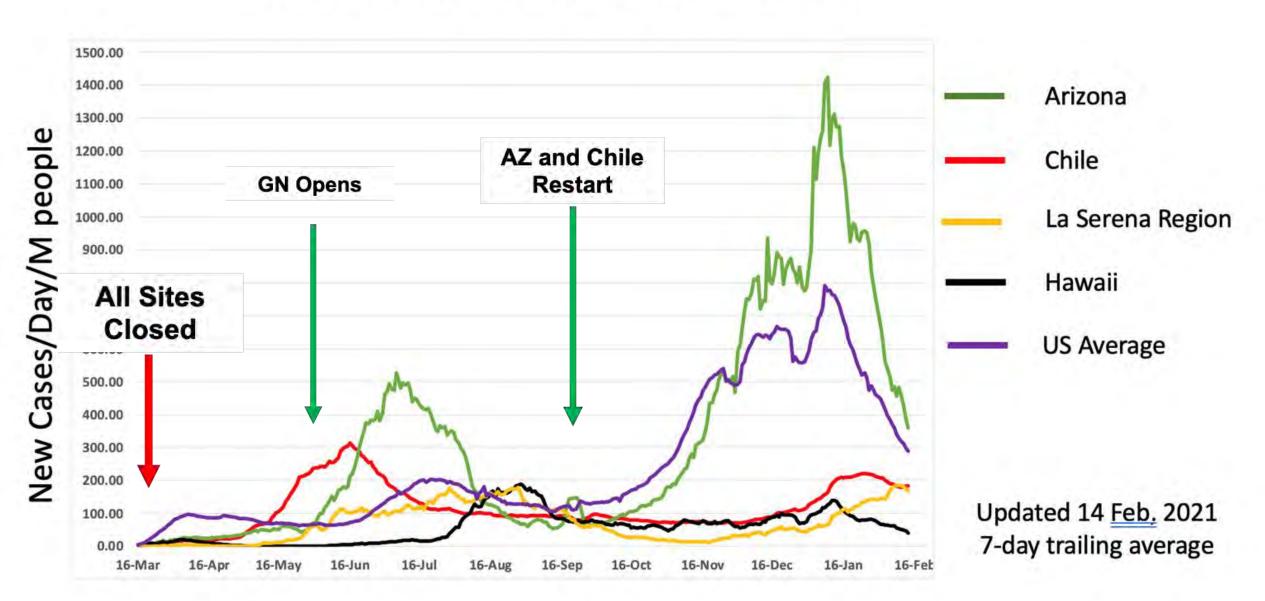
### **NSF's NOIRLab**







#### **COVID-19 Rates in NOIRLab Communities**





# Approach to Management and Planning



- Policy set by AURA, our parent company
  - Included Covid-19 Exposure Prevention Plan (CEPP)
  - AURA also managed PPE procurement
- NOIRLab response decided and coordinated by senior lab management and Covid Response Team
- Implemented by local teams at each site
- Formal reviews held before each change of operational state



#### **COVID-19 Exposure Prevention Plan**

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# (NOIR Measures Taken



- Access Control to facilities approval needed
- Screening Health Questionnaire to enter site
- Modified procedures and processes: e.g., transport, cleaning, dining, accommodation, observing
- HVAC Cross site and cross discipline working group recommended Germicidal Ultraviolet (GUV) units

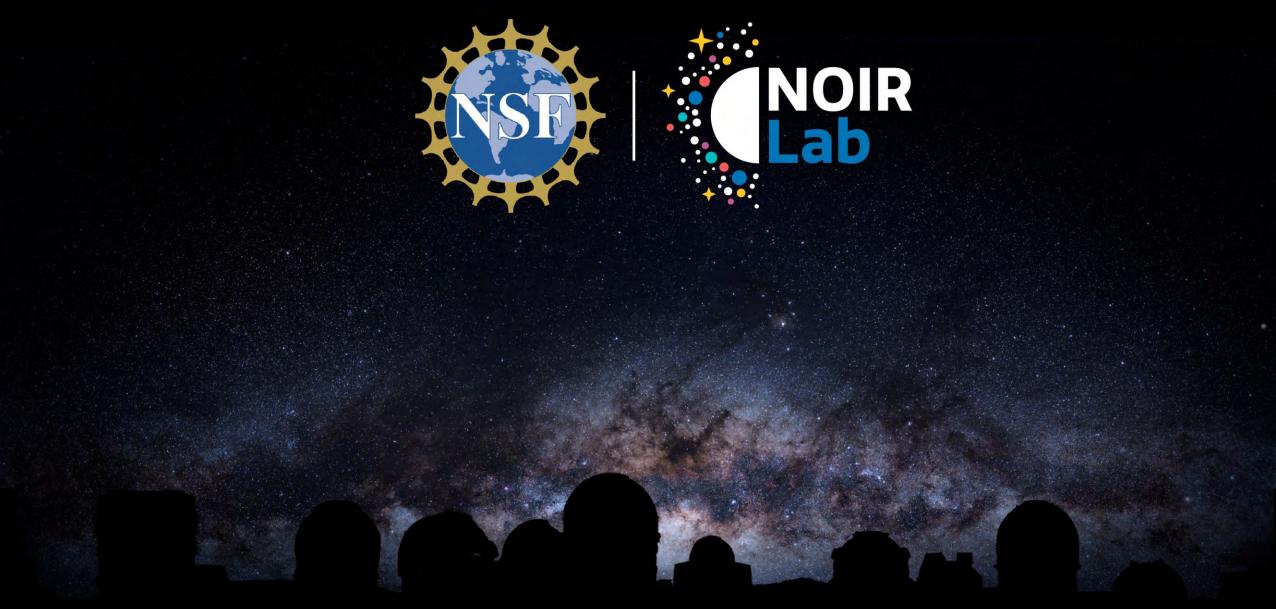














## INOIR GUV Units



#### Stand alone units

