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# EXPLORE SOLAR SYSTEM & BEYOND

**Fermi User's Group – A View from HQ**

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# THANK YOU!

The Fermi User's Group is a key to the continuing success of the Fermi Observatory.

# The view from HQ

- Very pleased with how well Fermi has been performing.
- The science continues to be cutting edge and important.
- The Operations Team is also first rate and has kept Fermi running smoothly during these difficult times.
  - Most of the team has been working virtually from home.
  - Despite COVID-19, the team has continued work without interruption and has met all milestones on time, such as:
    - Care and feeding of the Observatory.
    - Proposal calls have been on time at the expected time of year.
    - Reviews have been virtual, but just as effective and timely as before.
- In fact, Fermi's importance to astrophysics has continued to grow with the coming of multi-messenger and related astrophysics.

# Other things from HQ

We are excited by the coming launch of the James Webb Space Telescope –  
**December 18, 2021**



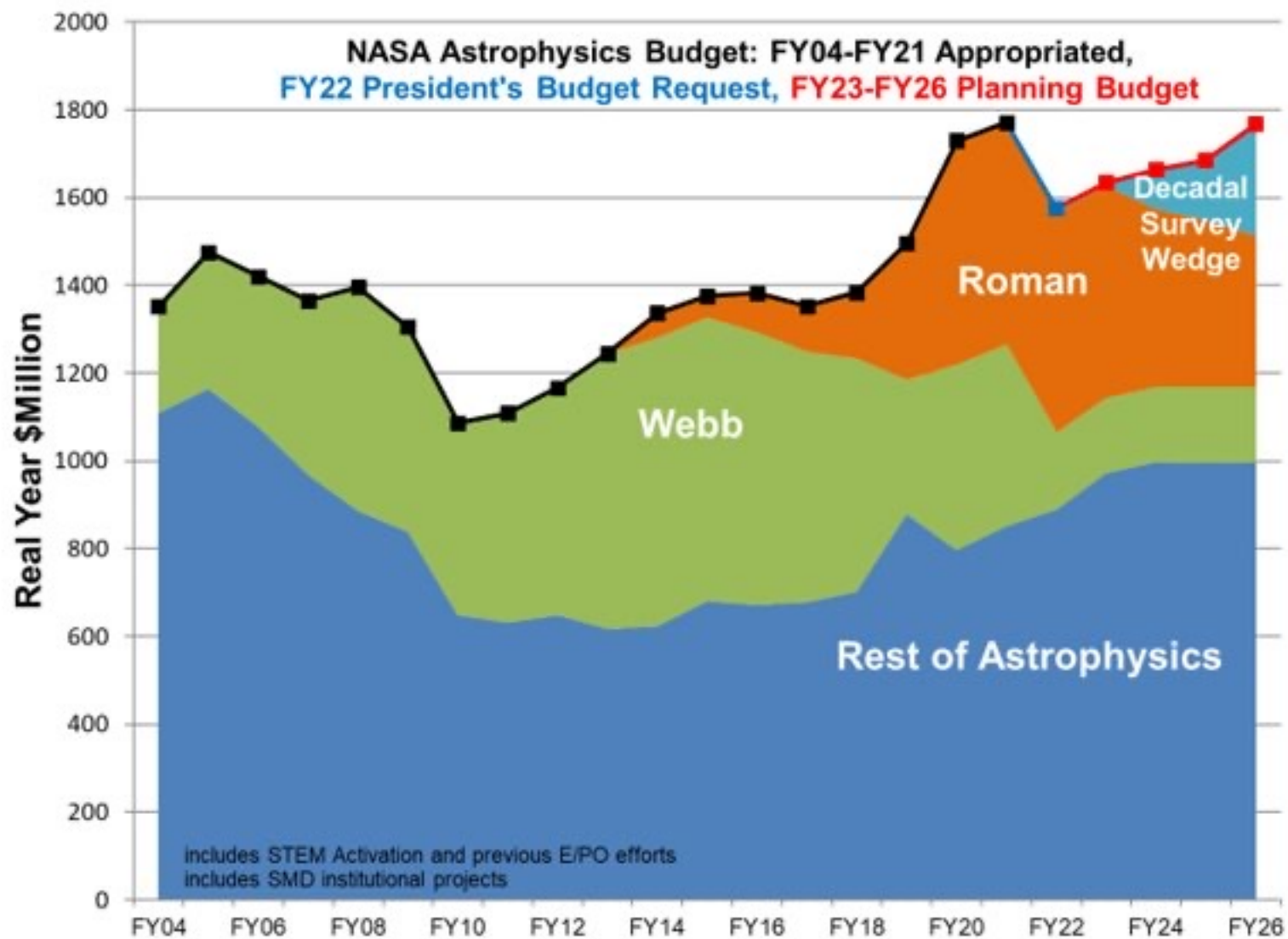
## Getting Ready to Ship



Shipping container, roll-over fixture and Webb at Northrop Grumman



# Astrophysics Budget – FY22 Request



# Other things from HQ(2)

- The Senior Review for all operating missions will occur in 2022.
  - Proposals due 1 Feb 2022
  - Individual presentations March 2022
  - Results public in the Spring of 2022
  - More during this meeting
- We are awaiting the Decadal Survey delivery with considerable anticipation.