ECS Newsletter March + April 2023
Alex Wallace posted on Apr 12, 2023
Recent cybersecurity testing of SLAC systems and the impact on Experiment Control Systems awallace SLAC is undergoing a DOE cybersecurity assessment throughout this year. SLAC IT carried out some preparations for this assessment beginning in March of this year. These preparations included hiring a security testing company, Shorebreak Security, to conduct various cybersecurity-related tests of the SLAC IT systems....
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ECS Stakeholder Forum 2023 Report
Alex Wallace posted on Jan 25, 2023
Introduction and Executive Summary We consider this inaugural forum a success. We liked how issues and topics were raised and we could get immediate feedback and ratification of the discussion. It was a good format for broadcasting the roadmap. We anticipate the forum as being a productive augmentation of the newsletter for communicating progress in our various campaigns/ goals. We plan to do it again. We think it is a good idea to host a forum on a quarterly basis....
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ECS Newsletter August+September 2022
Alex Wallace posted on Aug 18, 2022
SC Readiness awallace The LCLS directorate held a Run 21 readiness workshop in early September to review preparations for the arrival of the LCLS2 beam. After the workshop, LCLS formed an SC Readiness taskforce (Delta Force) to tackle issues, risks, and scope raised at the workshop. The effort is ongoing and we're having a blast! ECS created a Run 21 readiness dashboard for the workshop you can review here: https://jira.slac.stanford.edu/secure/Dashboard.jspa?selectPagId=14380 https://jira. ...

ECS Newsletter May+June+July 2022
Alex Wallace posted on Jul 14, 2022
Introduction Do us a favor and give a thumbs up or leave a comment to let us know you saw this newsletter! (at the bottom of the page. If you don't see it, try logging into Confluence, windows credentials) Check out the RIX newsletters when you get a chance as well! 2022 newsletters PMPS UI Fixes and Updates We had a few fixes and feature updates for the PMPS UI diagnostic tool in July....
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Alex Wallace posted on Mar 14, 2022
Introduction This edition is extra special as we have for the first time a section for LCLS IT recording some of the improvements and maintenance activities of Omar’s team! Safety Stand-down and EEIP awallace The newsletter is being released approximately 1 week later than we originally planned due to the SLAC-wide safety stand-down on Wednesday 5/4. While the circumstances prompting the stand-down are not good, the outcome of the activity was positive....

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SLAC is under a California statewide Public Health Shelter-In-Place Order for an indefinite period of time. Under this Order, only essential businesses may remain open. The lab is limiting on-site functions to those deemed government-essential, while all other employees will telecommute.
Maintaining our IT infrastructure has been deemed essential, although only a limited number of staff are allowed onsite. During this period, you can expect continued online support for IT problems related to data access and data analysis. Regular maintenances on the systems will continue to be performed while minimizing onsite staff presence, which could result in longer downtimes than would occur under normal circumstances. Likewise, the turnaround time to respond to a help request may be longer than usual. We ask for your patience when reporting urgent system issues.