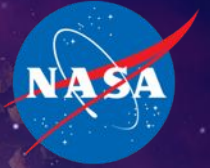


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Astro2020 Decadal Survey Recommendation: “Augmentation and restoration of annual proposal calls for Astrophysics Theory Program”

NASA is still studying the future of the Astrophysics Theory Program.

Summer interns are working on collecting data and there are continuing NASA-internal and cross-agency discussions.

Possibilities include:

- 1) Keep biannual solicitation for the Astrophysics Theory Program (selection rates >20%)
- 2) Change solicitation to every-year cadence, leading to lower selection rates unless budget augmented
- 3) Add a solicitation of proposals from early-career theorists (only) in years with no ATP call
- 4) Jointly sponsor and solicit TCAN proposals with other agencies

After NASA has conducted and reviewed the study in the summer, the findings about the future of the Astrophysics Theory Program will be presented to the APAC for community input.