# Rapid Disassembly Just Outside The Blockhouse

(or: what I learned about Koyaanisqatsi)

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#### Background

The Job at the field site

Launch vehicle flow at the Cape

Day o' launch activities

Liftoff from the 800 foot vantage point

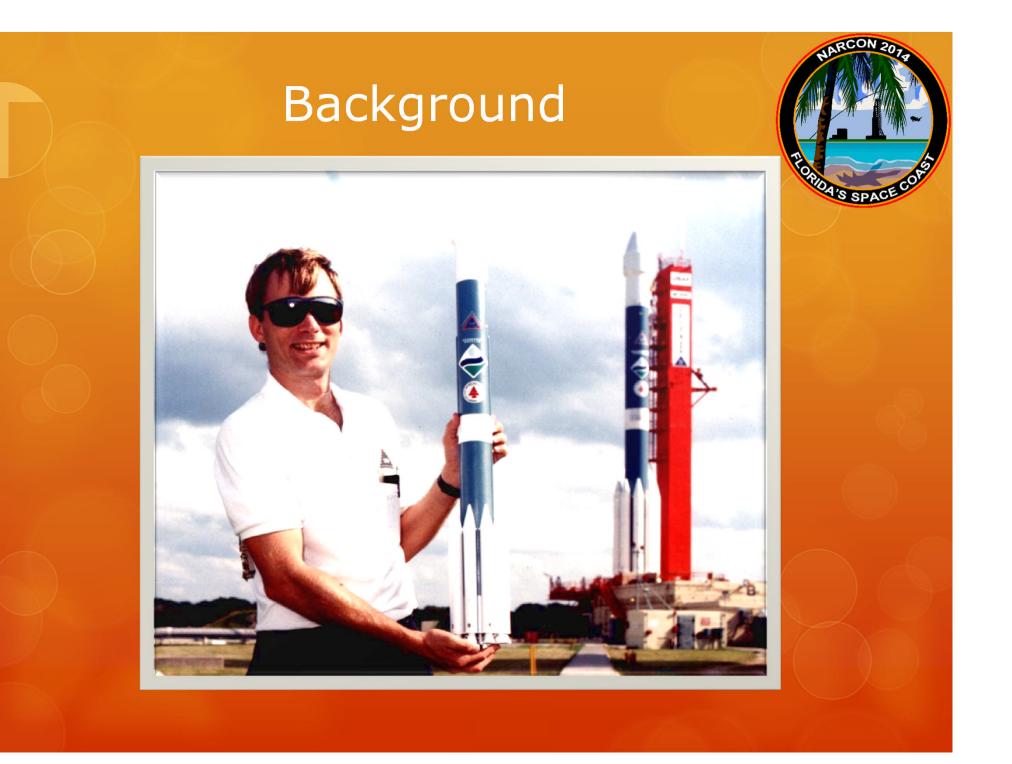
And then at T+12.8 seconds.....

A view from the outside

Aftermath/Why Koyaanisqatsi

Closure













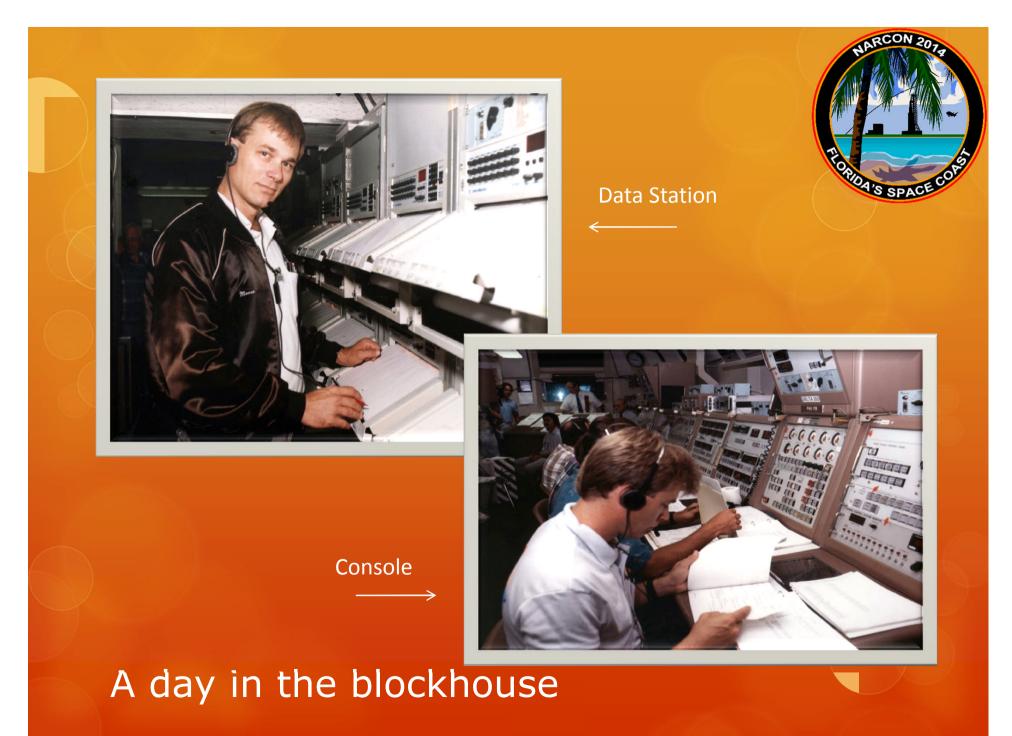


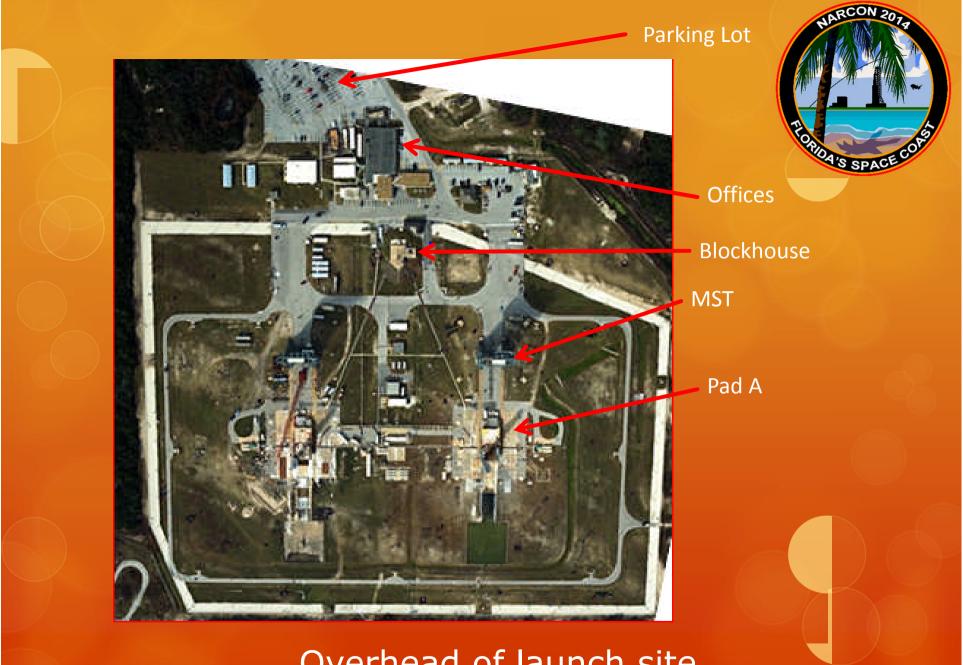






#### Typical launch vehicle flow at the Cape On-pad Launch **Off-pad processing** processing control center Area 57 strap-on solid rocket motor (SSRM) buildup area HPF first stage Launch control center SLC-17 vehicle testing Area 55 HPTF Hangar M Delta mission checkout (DMCO) Payload **Payload mating** mating 1 Support facilities Area 55 receiving NPF/PSF 4P017001 ESA-60A

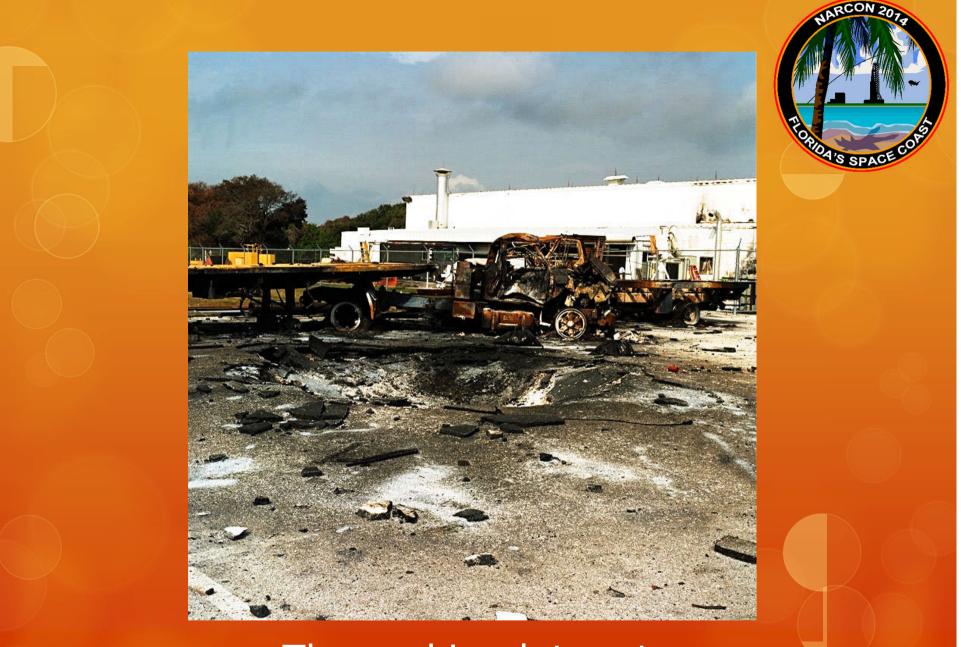




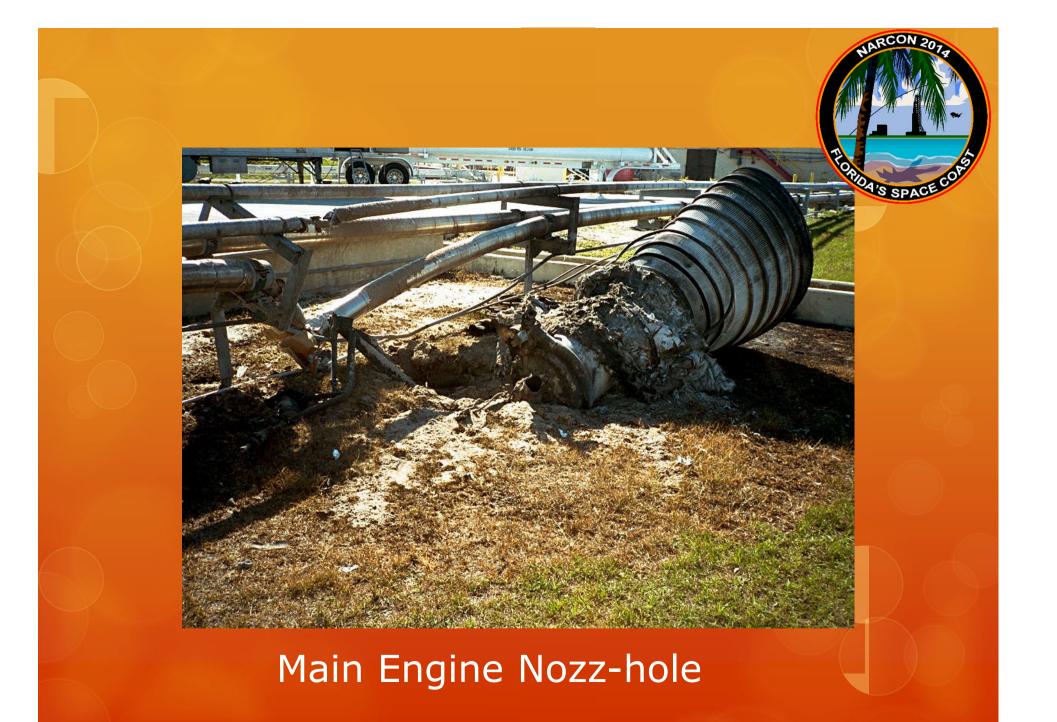
Overhead of launch site



## Cable tunnel problem area



## The parking lot crater





## Just outside the blockhouse wall





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## The story from outside the blockhouse by pro photojournalist Carleton Bailie



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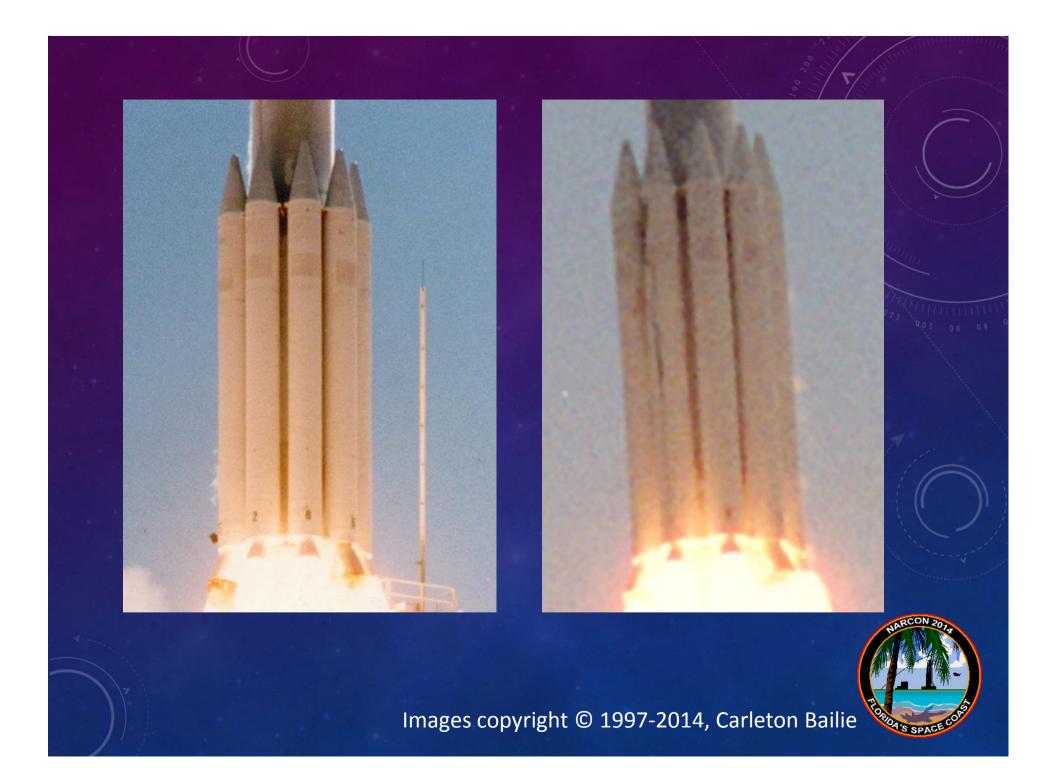






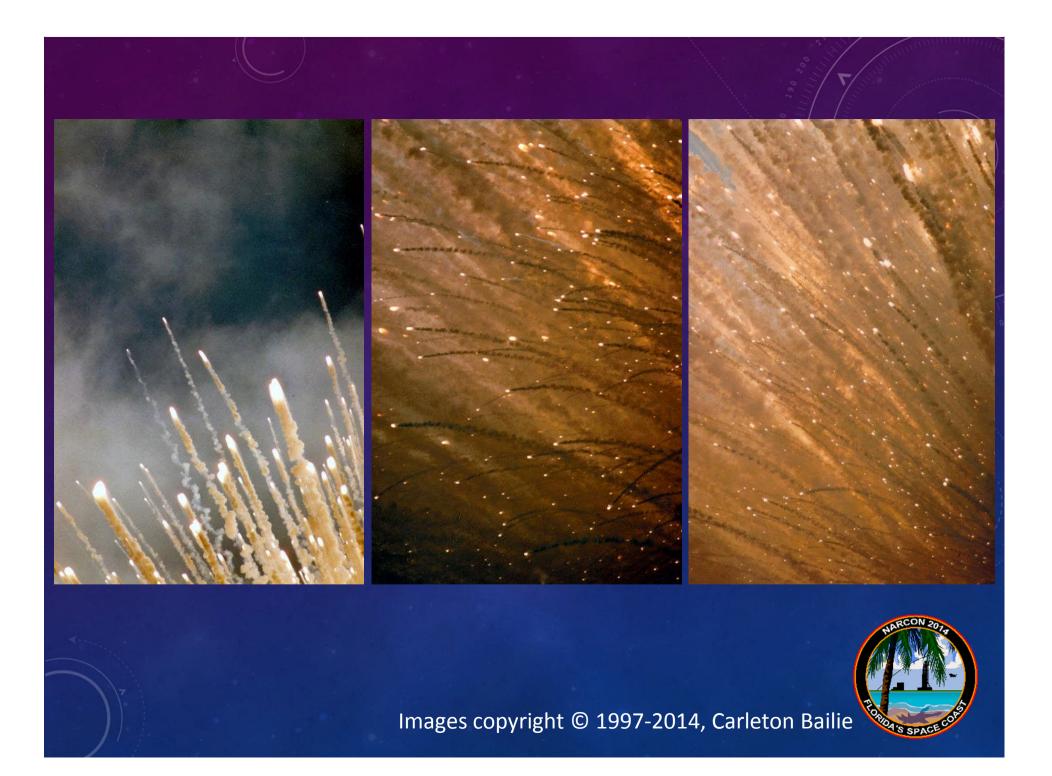






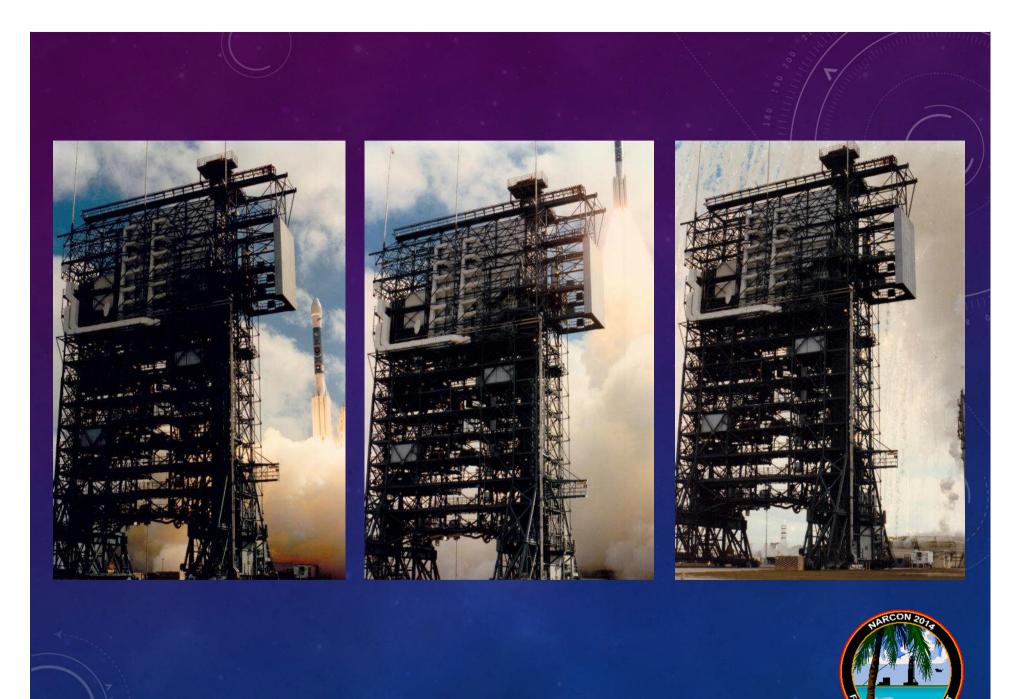




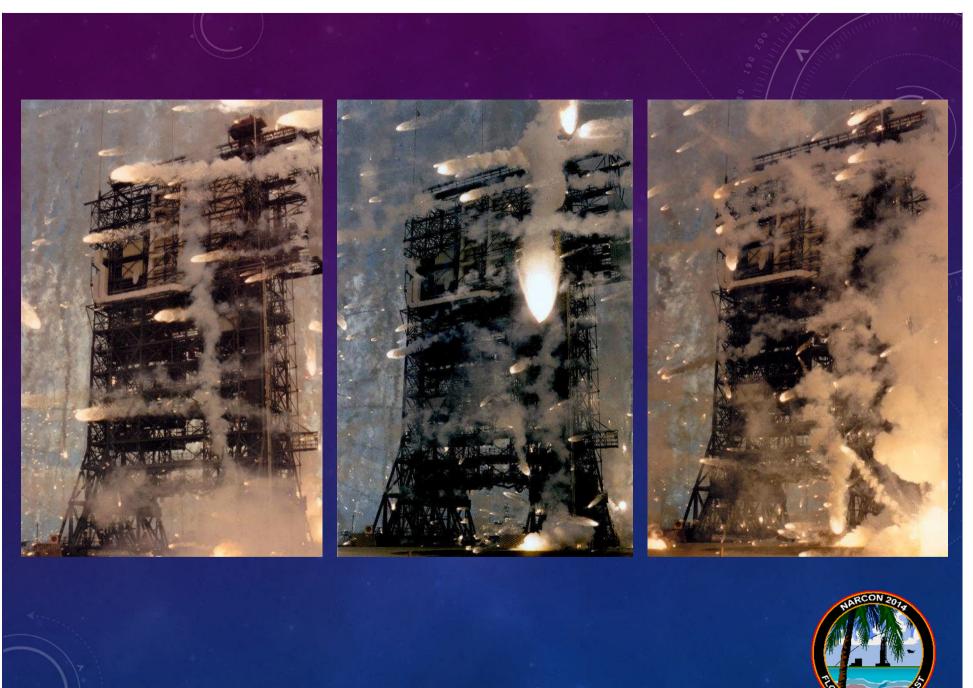






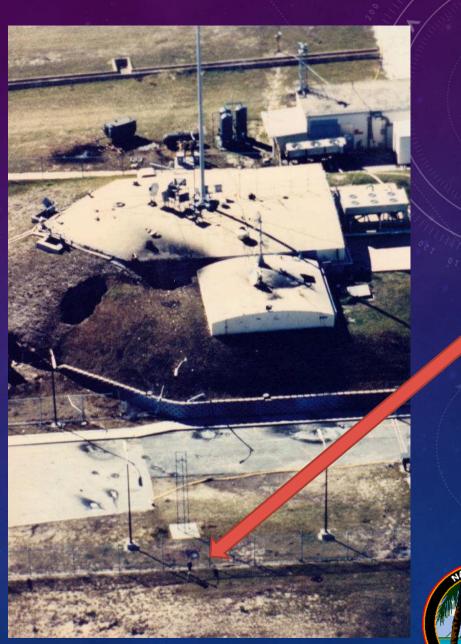




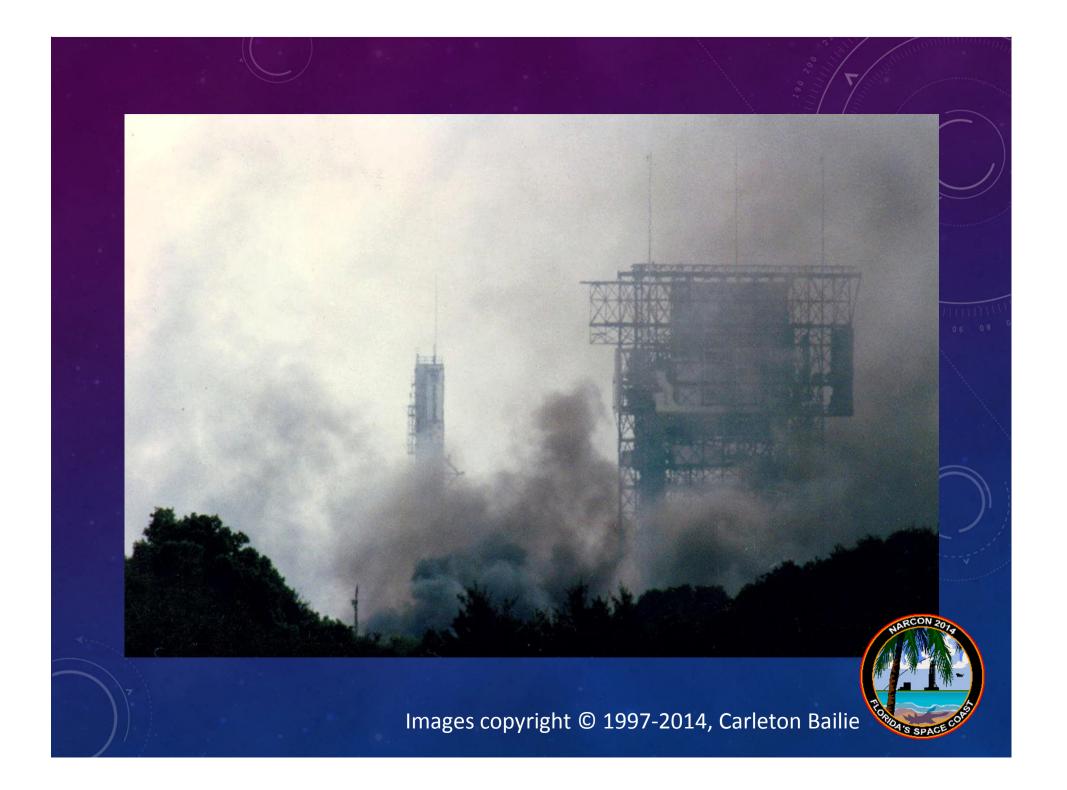








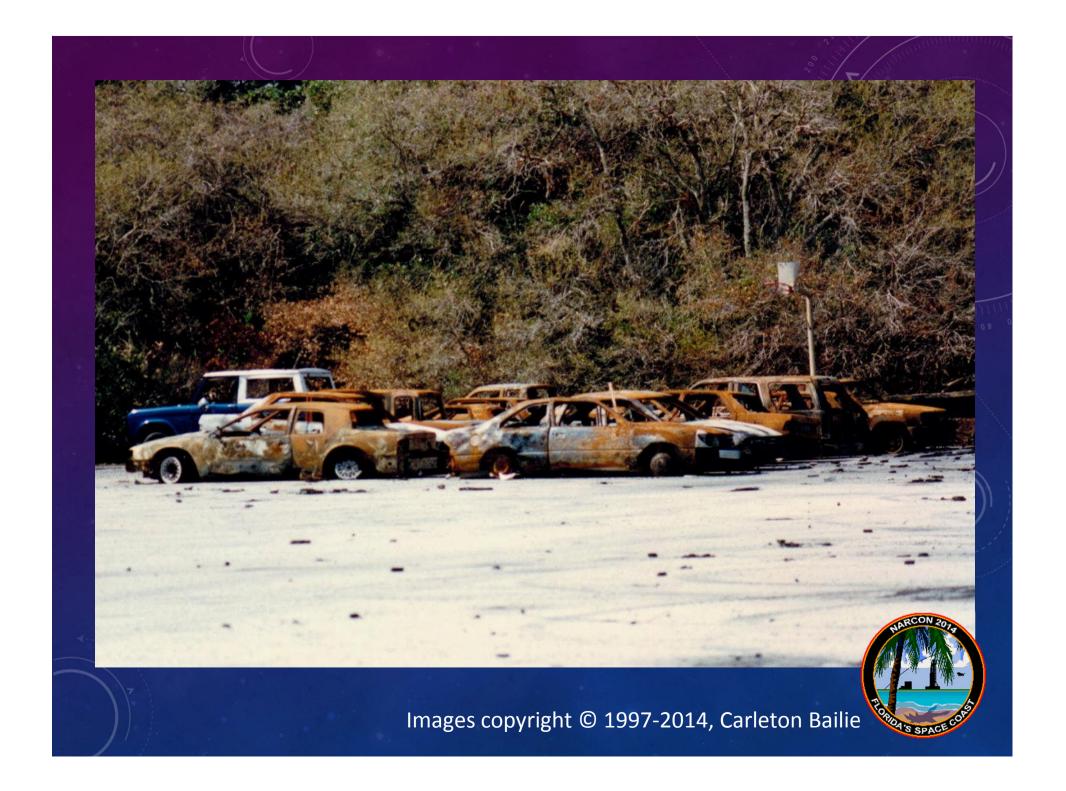






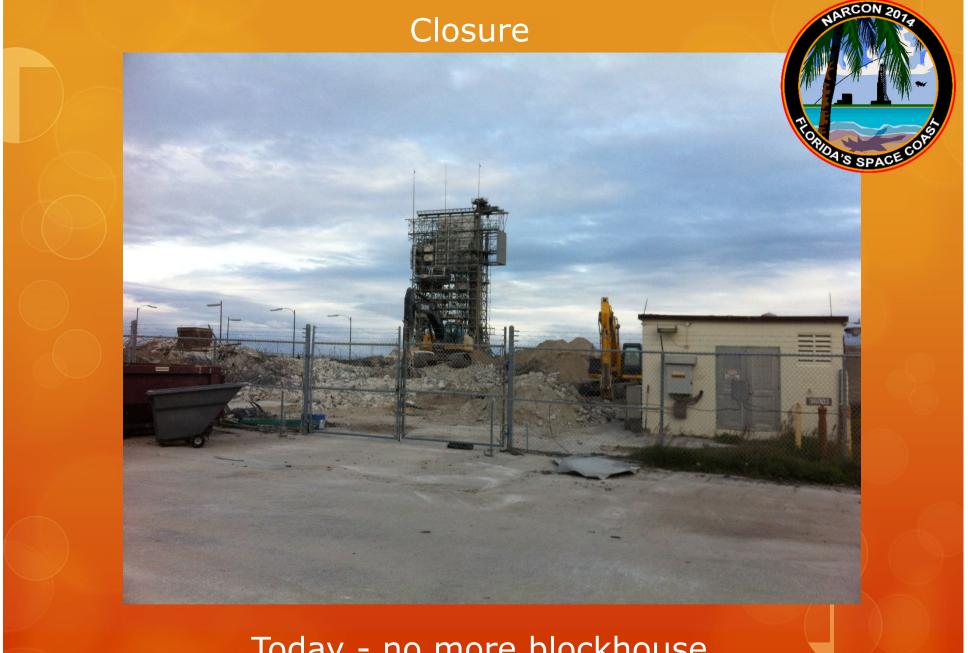








## Grail: The last east coast launch



Today - no more blockhouse



ko.yaa.nis.katsi (from the Hopi language), n. 1. crazy life. 2. life in turmoil. 3. life disintegrating. 4. life out of balance. 5. a state of life that calls for another way of living.