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Funding Acknowledgements: Requirements and Boilerplate Language

1 Introduction and Scope
The Rubin Observatory Funding Acknowledgements document outlines Rubin Observatory’s obligations as a federal funds grantee to acknowledge the source of its funding in all publications based on or developed under the project. The responsibility to ensure proper funding acknowledgement rests with each Rubin Observatory team member.

The document also provides boilerplate funding acknowledgement language, and variations tailored for websites, posters, social media and manuscripts, to be used by such publications’ authors. Work carried out in “Science time” funded by Rubin Observatory though the National Science Foundation or the Department of Energy should also follow the below acknowledgement statement(s).

2 NSF Grantee Obligations
2.1 Acknowledgement of NSF Support: Publications
Unless otherwise provided in the grant, the grantee is responsible for assuring that an acknowledgment of National Science Foundation (NSF) support is made. Department of Energy (DOE) acknowledgement is also included for completeness.

i. in any publication (including Web pages) of any material based on or developed under this project, in the following terms:

"This material is based upon work supported by the National Science Foundation under Cooperative Agreement 1258333 managed by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA), and the Department of Energy under Contract No. DE-AC02-76SF00515 with the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory. Additional funding for Rubin Observatory comes from private donations, grants to universities, and in-kind support from LSSTC Institutional Members.”
ii. For acknowledgements related to the pre-operations of Rubin Observatory, please use the following:

This material or work is based upon work supported in part by the National Science Foundation through Cooperative Agreement AST-1258333 and Cooperative Support Agreement AST1836783 managed by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA), and the Department of Energy under Contract No. DE-AC02-76SF00515 with the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory.

iii. **NSF support also must be orally acknowledged during all news media interviews**, including popular media such as radio, television and news magazines.

2.2 Disclaimer

The awardee is responsible for assuring that every publication of material (including World Wide Web pages) based on or developed under this award, except scientific articles or papers appearing in scientific, technical or professional journals, contains the following disclaimer:

"Any opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this material are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the National Science Foundation."

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In addition to the provisions of the CA-FATC article title "Publications" included above, sponsorship of the NSF in the project shall be set forth on any signs identifying the Project locations. The National Science Foundation emblem and name shall be prominently displayed on Project facilities and equipment. The emblem and name shall be one inch or larger in size than those of any non-NSF support source.

3 Acknowledgement of Support: DOE

The standard format for acknowledging DOE support in peer-reviewed articles and technical papers as well as news releases, public-facing web, mailing, and social media is found on the Office of Science homepage under the heading “Funding Opportunities”:

[http://science.energy.gov/funding-opportunities/acknowledgements/](http://science.energy.gov/funding-opportunities/acknowledgements/)
4 Rubin Observatory Boilerplate Acknowledgements

Two forms of an acknowledgement statement are offered, both meet federal requirements but are intended to accompany different types of information as indicated in the section headings.

4.1 Press Releases, Websites, Publications

Vera C. Rubin Observatory is a Federal project jointly funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) through Cooperative Agreement No. 1258333 and the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science under Contract No. DE-AC02-76SF00515, with early construction funding received from private donations through the LSST Corporation. The NSF-funded LSST (now Rubin Observatory) Project Office for construction was established as an operating center under the management of the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA). The DOE-funded effort to build the Rubin Observatory LSST Camera (LSSTCam) is managed by SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory (SLAC).

NSF and DOE will continue to support LSST in its Operations phase. They will also provide support for scientific research with LSST data.

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent federal agency created by Congress in 1950 to promote the progress of science. NSF supports basic research and people to create knowledge that transforms the future.

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to universities, and in-kind support from LSSTC Institutional Members.

4.3 Additional Acknowledgement for Manuscripts

Manuscript authors may augment the information presented above as their individual circumstances require. For example: “This material is based on work supported by [funding agency from which author is receiving support] under [Grant/Award/Contract number]” may be appended to the manuscript acknowledgement.

4.4 Posters

Conference posters should carry the standard acknowledgement footer which has been developed following the proportions mentioned in 2.3, it is available on Rubin Observatory project pages: https://project.lsst.org/documents/stock-slides-templates. It should be placed on posters containing work based on or developed under this award.

4.5 Social Media

In Social Media posts #NSFfunded or NSFScience may be used. Where the post is predominantly about the LSST Camera the text of the social media post can include DOE and SLAC, there is no hashtag used or needed.

4.6 Models and Images

The following acknowledgements should be used to acknowledge funding agencies when using images, videos or models.

Long version:

Rubin Observatory model provided by the Rubin Observatory Project Office, with financial support from the US National Science Foundation (NSF) and the US Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science. The NSF-funded Rubin Observatory Project Office for construction is managed by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA). The DOE-funded effort to build the Rubin Observatory LSST Camera is managed by the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory (SLAC).

Short version:

Rubin Observatory model provided by the Rubin Observatory / NSF / AURA