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Impact Exercise, Day 5: April 19, 2027 Small Asteroid to Impact over New York City in 10 Days

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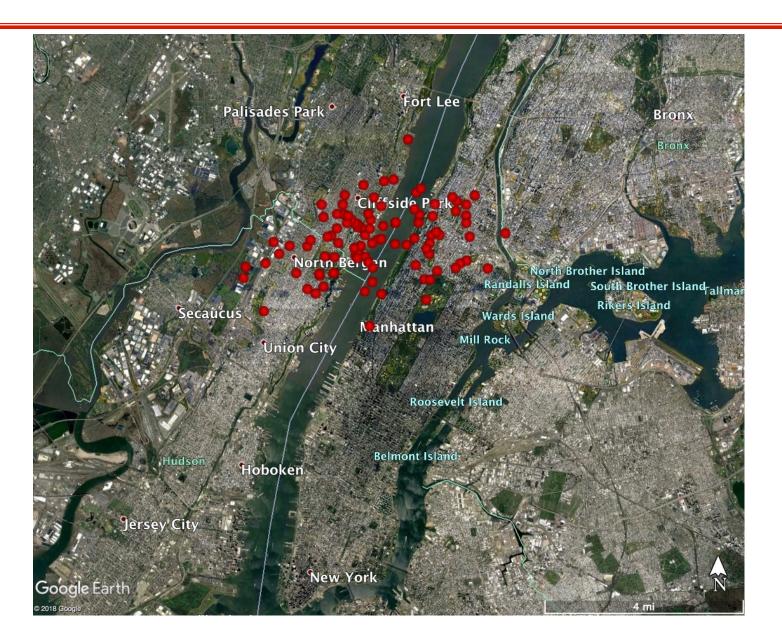
- A 60-m fragment of asteroid 2019 PDC is on course for a certain impact over central New York City just after midnight on April 29, 2027
- The small asteroid will enter the atmosphere at 19 km/s (43,000 mph) producing a megabolide that could release ~5 to ~20 megatons of energy
- Just yesterday the asteroid was detected by Arecibo radar, and IAWN used those measurements to further narrow down the impact location
- Astronomers have been tracking the asteroid optically for 3 months, as it approached, and the predicted impact location has been localized to New York City for the last 2 months
- A last-ditch attempt to launch a nuclear explosive device to disrupt the asteroid could not be implemented within the 6 months available
- In several days, radar imaging will begin enabling refinements to the size, shape, mass and impact energy estimates
- For more info: https://cneos.jpl.nasa.gov/pd/cs/pdc19/day5.html

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Impact Footprint for 2019 PDC Fragment

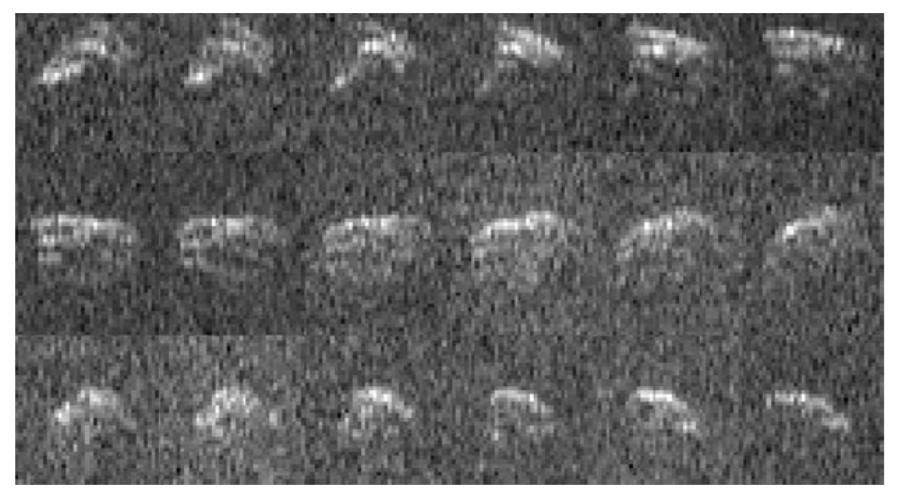








 When radar imaging begins in a few days, we may see that the fragment looks very much like ~60-m asteroid 2013 ET:

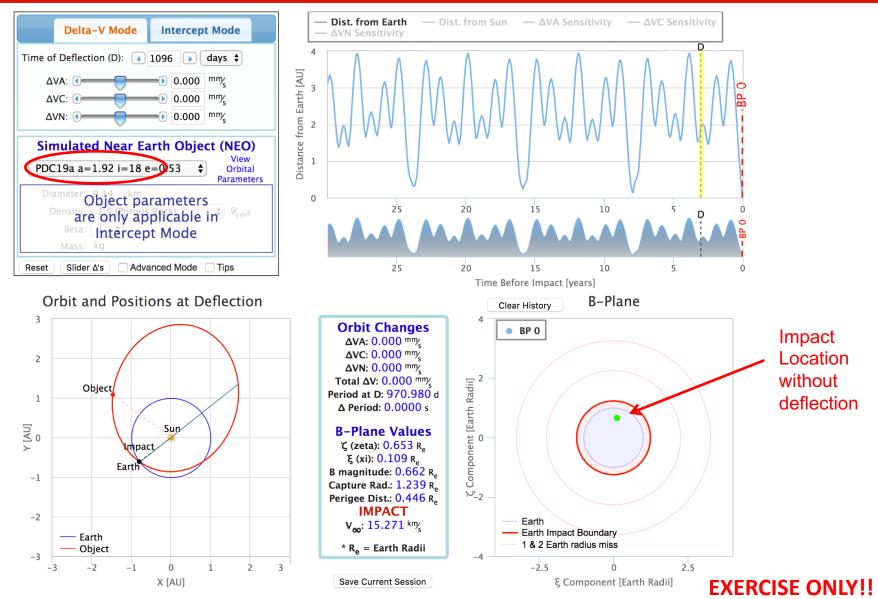




CNEOS NEO Deflection App (NDA)



https://cneos.jpl.nasa.gov/nda/nda.html



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