



# LIGO

Laser Interferometer  
Gravitational-Wave Observatory  
Supported by the National Science Foundation  
Operated by Caltech and MIT



## Information on LIGO Hanford Observatory Tours



### *What will I see?*

On your tour you will visit the 'overpass' where you can see both arms of the interferometer stretching 4 km (2.5 miles) off into the distance, get up close to samples of the laser beam vacuum tube and its protective concrete enclosure, and step inside the control room, where you will learn more about how our remarkable instrument works. Outside the auditorium, you will see many interactive and static displays and exhibits, including a full-scale engineering model of the "quad suspension" that is so critical to LIGO's success.

Tours last 1.5 to 2 hours. Admission is free and no reservations are required. **Photographs are welcome so don't forget your camera!**