

NASA to Launch Acoustic Grenade Rockets at Barrow

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration will conduct this month five rocket-launched acoustic grenade experiments and two ozone experiments at Point Barrow, Alaska, to obtain upper atmospheric meteorological data within the Arctic Circle.

The seven Nike-Cajun research rockets are scheduled to be launched between January 7 and 20. These experiments will be coordinated with similar launchings at the Churchill Research Range in Canada, and the NASA Wallops Station, Wallops Island, Virginia.

Two of the Alaskan launchings are scheduled to be conducted on January 7 and the other five rockets will await the "winter anomaly" (warming trend of the upper atmosphere) which may occur anytime during January or early February.

When this phenomena occurs, the five rocket-borne tests will be conducted during a seven-day period.