

Image: Mobile service tower rolled back for Orion flight test

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Credit: NASA/Bill Ingalls

A United Launch Alliance Delta IV Heavy rocket with NASA's Orion spacecraft mounted atop is seen after the Mobile Service Tower was finished rolling back early on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2014, at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station's Space Launch Complex 37, Florida.

The next launch opportunity for the Orion flight test is 7:05 a.m. EST on

Friday, Dec. 5. The spacecraft will orbit Earth twice, reaching an altitude of approximately 3,600 miles above Earth before landing in the Pacific Ocean. No one will be aboard Orion for this flight test, but the spacecraft is designed to allow us to journey to destinations never before visited by humans, including an asteroid and Mars.

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