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## Congratulations, Lia!

We extend a heartfelt congratulations to Lia Merminga, PIP-II Project Director since 2018, for her new appointment as the next director of Fermilab! We are grateful for Lia's strong leadership of PIP-II over the past four years. As Lab Director, Lia will surely lead Fermilab to many future achievements.



# **CD-3 formally approved by DOE**

On April 18, the U.S. Department of Energy formally approved the Critical Decision 3 (CD-3) for PIP-II. With this approval, DOE authorizes release of funds for construction-related activities and procurements. This milestone represents the culmination of many years of effort by many outstanding collaborators around the globe.

### **RFP for Linac Complex Construction advertised**

The request for proposal (RFP) for the Linac Complex Construction, which is the largest PIP-II procurement, has been advertised. Bids are expected in late May 2022, with a target award in October 2022.

## Prototype HB650 progress

The high-beta 650 MHz (HB650) elliptical cavity cryomodules make up the final stage of the PIP-II linear accelerator; they accelerate the proton beam from roughly 500 MeV to its full energy of 800 MeV. The prototype HB650 cryomodule string, after multi-layer insulation and magnetic shield assembly, was rolled out of its cleanroom. The team is now proceeding with tuner installation.







Top: The prototype HB650 cryomodule with all cavities wrapped in multi-layer insulation and shields installed and with coupler supports installed. Bottom: Coldmass being attached to the lifting fixture. Credit: Chuck Grimm