

Increasing Lab Density
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Dear Stanford Earth lab-based researchers,

A few weeks ago we got permission to increase the density in our labs to 125 nsf per person. This is up from the 250 nsf restriction that Santa Clara County had put in place many months ago, and will allow for additional researchers to conduct work simultaneously.

In order to increase your lab density, we are requiring a several step process:

- consult the new guidelines at the [Cardinal Recovery](#) site
- consult with Tom Koos and April Anstey (our EH&S Research Safety Specialist) to review and modify floor plans of your lab to provide for additional people
- once the revised floor plan is ready for approval, Tom Koos will request approval from either myself or Scott Fendorf
- once approved, PIs and lab managers will be notified
- the Facilities team will then update signage, and the lab scheduling system will be updated accordingly

Our goal is to have expanded lab occupancy ready and available by November 1st. If you would like to increase the density allowed in your lab, please email Tom Koos to get the process started! And if you have any questions, you can email Sandy Meyer or me.

Best,
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