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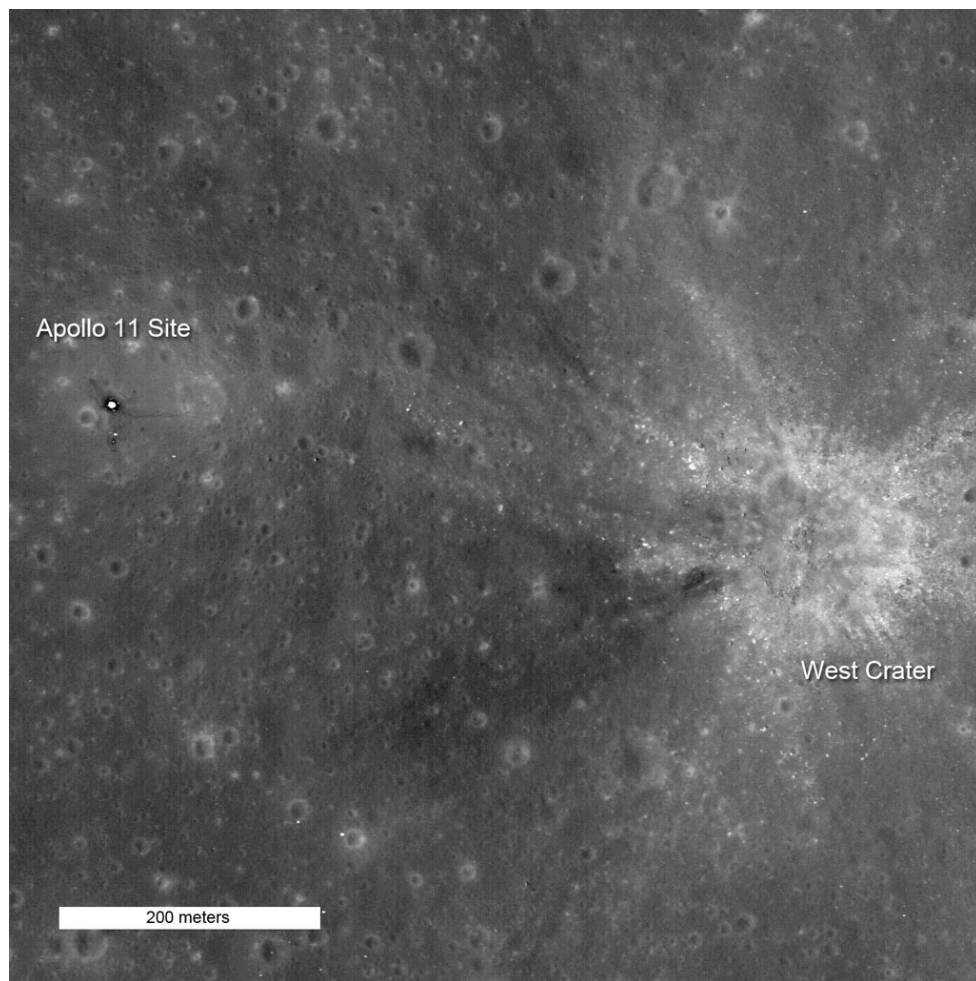
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[LRO Gets Additional View of Apollo 11 Landing Site](#)

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On: 10 November 2009 11:33 AM CET [Source](#)**“Houston, Tranquility Base here. The Eagle has landed.”**

As the Apollo 11 Lunar Module (LM) neared the surface, Neil Armstrong could see the designated landing area would have been in a rocky area near West Crater. He had to change the flight plan and fly the LM westward to find a safe landing spot. This image is 742 meters wide (about 0.46 miles). North is towards the top of the image. Credit: NASA/GSFC/Arizona State University

With those eight words, astronaut Neil Armstrong let the world know that Apollo 11 had landed safely on the moon, beginning humankind's first exploration of another world. The landing certainly kept the mission operations crew in suspense as Armstrong maneuvered around the bouldery ejecta on the northeast flank of West Crater, finally settling down almost a kilometer to the west with only

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