Join IBM for the New Scale User Day and/or the Storage Scale User Group Event! This in-person gathering will be held at the IBM Silicon Valley Lab (SVL) Executive Briefing Center in San Jose, CA. Whether you're a seasoned Storage Scale (GPFS) user or just getting started, these 2 events are perfect for anyone interested in learning more about Storage Scale and connecting with fellow enthusiasts. Attached is a customer flyer and agenda for your reference.

West Coast IBM Storage Scale New User Day and User Group Event

New User Day Tuesday, August 5, 2025 – San Jose, CA IBM Storage Scale User Group Event, August 6 and 7, 2025 – San Jose, CA

This West Coast IBM Storage Scale Users Group event is open to all IBM Storage Scale (GPFS) and IBM Scale System (ESS) users, as well as those who wish to learn more about IBM Storage Scale (IBM employees, IBM Business Partners and Customers).

IBM Storage Scale is IBM's flagship software-defined parallel file system infused with sophisticated enterprise data management capabilities. The IBM Storage Scale System is a preconfigured high-performance hardware "building block" for unstructured data storage with unrivaled integrity. Ready to participate in today's multi-cloud world of AI, HPC, and Big Data, Storage Scale delivers the performance and agility you need to get deeper insights from your data faster – giving you the edge to outthink and outperform your competition and win in the cognitive era.

Join us for this interactive New Scale User Day and/or Technical Users Group experience on IBM Storage Scale and the Storage Scale System!

Day 1 - Accelerate your AI Model, Training, and Inferencing with IBM Storage Scale

The Storage Scale Users Group event begins with a current and new users' day. Day one is geared to those interested in learning how IBM Storage Scale can accelerate AI workloads and access data anywhere and everywhere with a global data platform. This one-day session will explore optimizing your NVDIA Superpod and NVDIA DGX environments for model training and inferencing with IBM Storage scale.

Day 2 and 3 - IBM Storage Scale Users Group

The 2025 West Coast User Group Meeting will be held in San Jose, California. We have an exciting agenda covering user stories, roadmap update, the latest insights into accelerating AI workloads, plus access to IBM experts and your peers. We look forward to welcoming you to this event.

Topics planned to be covered include:

- Strategy Update
- What is new in Storage Scale and Storage Scale System?
- Solutions for Nvidia workload
- Content Aware Storage (CAS)
- New control plane for Storage Scale (a.k.a. Modernization of Scale)
- Containerized Native and CSI deep dive
- AFM deep dive
- Storage Scale S3 tiering to tape and advanced S3 functions
- Consistent Safeguarded Copy for Storage Protect on Storage Scale

Detailed agenda will follow later.

Registration for New User Day: Registration can be done HERE.

Registration for Storage Scale User Group: The Storage User Group meeting is open to IBMers, Business Partners and Customers that are looking to upgrade or adopt IBM Storage Scale. Register for the sessions **HERE**!

Location: IBM San Jose, 555 Bailey Avenue, San Jose, CA 95141

Session Times: Day 1, 2 & 3: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Important Note: Dress is business casual and customers will need to bring their own laptop for hands on labs. Attendees will be responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements and expenses.

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