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A new high-intensity fixed-target facility could be accommodated at CERN by exploiting a proposed increase of the proton flux delivered by the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS). Multiple physics experiment proposals such as BDF/SHiP, HIKE and SHADOWS are being considered, all requiring high power target systems. Amongst the different possibilities to locate such experiments and their respective target complex at CERN, the ECN3 hall in the North Area has been selected for further study.

This contribution will detail the status of the implementation of the two possible target complexes in the exiting cavern TCC8 as the different experiments require substantially different facilities. To assess the feasibility, a detailed system integration study of the two concepts has been performed. Different aspects were addressed to respect the expected levels of radiation, including radiation protection considerations, remote handling strategy, utilities requirements, installation, operation, maintenance, decommissioning, and sustainability, which are herein discussed.

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