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Use of the Information: The regular submission of proposals to the Foundation is part of the collection of information and is used to help NSF fulfill this responsibility by initiating and supporting merit-selected research and education projects in all the scientific and engineering disciplines. NSF receives more than 40,000 proposals annually for new projects, and makes approximately 10,500 new awards. Support is made primarily through grants, contracts, and other agreements awarded to more than 2,000 colleges, universities, academic consortia, nonprofit institutions, and small businesses. The awards are based mainly on evaluations of proposal merit submitted to the Foundation (proposal review is cleared under OMB Control No. 3145-0060).

The Foundation has a continuing commitment to monitor the operations of its information collection to identify and address excessive reporting burdens as well as to identify any real or apparent inequities based on gender, race, ethnicity, or disability of the proposed principal investigator(s)/project director(s) or the co-principal investigator(s)/co-project director(s).

Burden on the Public: The Foundation estimates that an average of 120 hours is expended for each proposal submitted. An estimated 40,000 proposals are expected during the course of one year for a total of 4,800,000 public burden hours annually.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education (9487).

Dates: March 18, 2010, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. March 19, 2010, 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

Place: Stafford I, Room 375, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Melissa Lane, National Science Foundation, Suite 705, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230. Phone 703-292-8500.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning support for environmental research and education.

Agenda

March 18, 2010

- Update on recent NSF environmental activities.
- Discussion of Approaches to Managing Interdisciplinary Research at NSF.
- Meeting with the Director.

March 19, 2010

- Discussion on Expanding NSF Research Portfolio for Science, Engineering and Education for Sustainability (SEES).
- Discussion of NSF FY 2010 Climate Research Solicitations.

Dated: February 23, 2010.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review Panel for Materials Research; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Site visit review of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) at Colorado School of Mines by NSF Division of Materials Research (DMR) #1203.

Dates and Times: Thursday, April 22, 2010; 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Place: Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO.

Type of Meeting: Part-open.

Contact Person: Dr. Charles Ying, Program Director, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers Program, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292-8428.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning progress of the MRSEC at the Colorado School of Mines.

Agenda: Thursday, April 22, 2010

8:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Open—Review of the Colorado School of Mines MRSEC.

2 p.m.–4 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

Reason for Closing: The work being reviewed may include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a Collection of Information; Application for Relocation Benefits Under the Navajo and Hopi Indian Settlement Act (as Amended)

AGENCY: Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation ("ONHIR").

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)), ONHIR has submitted the following collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance: Application for Relocation Benefits under the Navajo and Hopi Indian Settlement Act (as amended).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted within 30 days of the publication date of this notice.

ADDRESS FOR COMMENTS: Direct all comments in writing to Nathan Frey, Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, Washington, DC 20503, or at OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV.