

amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2015-001

1. *Applicant:* Robert Pitman, NOAA, NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 8901 La Jolla Shores Dr, La Jolla CA USA 92037

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Take and import into the U.S. The applicant's study of movement patterns, diet preferences, and genetics of whales calls for collecting pencil eraser size tissue samples from up to 200 killer whales (*Orcinus orca*), 15 common minke whales (*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*), 10 Arnoux's beaked whales (*Berardius arnuxii*), 15 blue whales (*Balaenoptera musculus*), 50 Antarctic minke whales (*Balaenoptera bonaerensis*), 10 southern right whales (*Eubalaena australis*), 35 sperm whales (*Physeter macrocephalus*), 35 fin whales (*Balaenoptera physalus*), and 50 humpback whales (*Megaptera movaenylae*) of both sexes. The tissue samples will be used in food and habitat studies (using stable isotopes and fatty acids). The same samples will also be used to determine genetic distinctness of the different killer whale types in Antarctica. Tissue samples will be imported to the U.S. for analysis at the Southwest Fisheries Science Center. Small (ca 40g) satellite tags or suction cup tags will be attached to some whales to investigate movement patterns. Whales will also be photographed for photo identification purposes. Additionally, dead marine birds or mammals and parts thereof from killer whale kills will be salvaged, when possible, for identification and to determine baseline environmental chemical composition.

Location

Southern Ross Sea, Antarctic Peninsula.

Dates

October 1, 2014 to October 1, 2020.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review Panel for Physics; 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: LIGO Annual Review Site Visit at Hanford Observatory for Physics (1208).

Date and Time:
Tuesday, June 24, 2014; 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 25, 2014; 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 26, 2014; 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Place: LIGO site at Hanford, WA.

Type of Meeting: Partially Closed.

Contact Person: Mark Coles, Director of Large Facilities, Division of Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292-4432.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide an evaluation of the project construction for implementation of the AdvLIGO project to the National Science Foundation.

Agenda

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

7:00 a.m. Depart from hotel
7:45 Open—Arrive at LIGO Hanford Observatory, check-in
8:00 Open—Panel session
8:30 Open—Introduction: LIGO, Advanced LIGO, the 3rd Interferometer
9:00 Open—Post-Project Operations activities
9:15 Open—Storage Plan Overview by subsystem, Q&A
10:30 Open—tour
12:30 Open—lunch
13:00 Closed—Executive Session
18:00 Closed—Closeout presentation by review panel

Wednesday, June 25, 2014

7:00 a.m. Depart from hotel
7:45 Open—Arrive at LIGO Hanford Observatory, check-in
8:00 Open—Panel session
8:30 Open—Introduction: LIGO, Advanced LIGO, the 3rd Interferometer
9:00 Open—Post-Project Operations activities
9:15 Open—Storage Plan Overview by subsystem, Q&A
10:30 Open—tour
12:30 Open—lunch
13:00 Closed—Executive Session
18:00 Closed—Closeout presentation by review panel

Thursday, June 26, 2014

7:00 a.m. Depart from hotel
7:45 Closed—Executive Session
8:00 Closed—Writing Report
12:00 Adjourn

Reason for Closing: The proposal to be discussed and evaluated during the site review will include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, and information on

personnel. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: May 12, 2014.

Suzanne Plimpton,

Acting, Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Li Ling Hamady, ACA Permit Officer, Division of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Or by email: ACApermits@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 18, 2014 the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. The permit was issued on April 24, 2014 to: Prof. Chi-Hing Christina Cheng, Permit No. 2014-030.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. NRC-2014-0110]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) invites public comment about our intention to request the OMB's approval for renewal of an existing information collection that is summarized below. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal**