

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**National Science Board****Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice**

The National Science Board's *ad hoc* Task Force on NEON Performance and Plans, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n-5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of a meeting for the transaction of National Science Board business, as follows:

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. EST.

SUBJECT MATTER: Task Force Chair's opening remarks; approval of minutes; NSF Director's update; and Chair's closing remarks.

STATUS: Closed.

This meeting will be held by teleconference originating at the National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Please refer to the National Science Board Web site (www.nsf.gov/nsb) for information or schedule updates, or contact: Elise Lipkowitz (elipcowi@nsf.gov), National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Ann Bushmiller,

NSB Senior Legal Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Notice of Permit Modification Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978**

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of Permit Modification Request Received and Permit Issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of requests to modify permits issued to conduct activities regulated and permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at title 45 part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of a requested permit modification and permit issued.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, 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: The Foundation issued a permit (ACA 2011-002) to David Ainley on May 28, 2010. The issued permit allows the applicant to band, apply instruments, weigh, collect blood and cloacal swabs, and mark nest of Adelie penguins located at Cape Crozier (ASPA 124), Cape Royds (ASPA 121), Cape Bird, and Beaufort Island (ASPA 105), as well as to enter Cape Hallett (ASPA 106) in November 2014 to check for banded birds and to deploy temperature loggers in penguin nests to test hypotheses on nest quality. A recent modification to this permit, dated November 12, 2015, permitted the applicant to extend the permitted activities for one additional year so that the permit now expires on August 31, 2016. Now the applicant proposes a permit modification to add two named agents and three additional agents to be determined to this permit to assist with approved activities. The Environmental Officer has reviewed the modification request and has determined that the amendment is not a material change to the permit, and it will have a less than a minor or transitory impact.

DATES: January 19, 2016 to August 31, 2016.

The permit modification was issued on January 19, 2016.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Polar Coordination Specialist, Division of Polar Programs.

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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: Proposal Review Panel for the Division of Physics (1208) (V161027).

Date and Time: February 25, 2016; 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m., February 26, 2016; 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Place: California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125.

Type of Meeting: Partially Open.

Contact Person: Jean Cottam-Allen, Program Director for Physics Frontier Centers, Division of Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1015, Arlington, VA 22230; Telephone: (703) 292-8783.

Purpose of Meeting: Site visit to provide an evaluation of the progress of

the projects at the host site for the Division of Physics at the National Science Foundation.

Agenda

February 25, 2016; 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

08:30 Panel Session: Presentations on Center Overview, Management and Science

12:00 p.m. Lunch with Graduate Students and Postdocs

13:30 Panel Session: Continued Science Presentations, Education and Outreach

16:00 Executive Session—CLOSED SESSION

17:00 Poster Session

19:00 Executive Session—CLOSED SESSION

February 26, 2016; 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

08:30 Panel Sessions: Meeting with University Administrators

Discussion with Center Directors

11:00 Executive Session—CLOSED SESSION

15:00 Closeout Session with Center Directors

Reason for Closing: Topics 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: January 20, 2016.

Crystal Robinson,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with the purposes of Sections 29 and 182b of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold a meeting on February 4-6, 2016, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016, CONFERENCE ROOM T2-B1, 11545 ROCKVILLE PIKE, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

8:30 a.m.-8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.