

- Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Background documents related to this information collection request are available at <https://regulations.gov> and at DOL–OWCP located at 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room S–3524, Washington, DC 20210. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns ACH Vendor Payment Enrollment Form. OWCP has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information from the previous information collection request.

Type of Review: New collection without an OMB Control Number.

Agency: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

OMB Number: 1240–ONEW.

Affected Public: Private Sector.

Number of Respondents: 35,424.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Number of Responses: 35,424.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,772 hours.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper

Cost: \$216.96.

OWCP Forms: OWCP Form [OWCP–3881], [OWCP Provider Enrollment ACH Form].

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at <https://www.reginfo.gov>.

Anjanette C. Suggs,
Certifying Officer.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Designation of Databases to the Do Not Pay Working System

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice of designation.

The Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 (PIIA) authorizes the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to designate databases for inclusion in the Department of the Treasury (Treasury) Do Not Pay Working System under the Do Not Pay Initiative. PIIA requires OMB to provide public notice and an opportunity for comment prior to designating databases. In fulfillment of this requirement, OMB published a Notice of Proposed Designation on Aug. 29, 2024 (89 FR 70208) for Treasury's Account Verification Services and Treasury's Death Notification Entries. OMB received no comments on these proposed designations during the 30-day comment period. Effective immediately, OMB designates Treasury's Account Verification Services and Treasury's Death Notification Entries to the Do Not Pay Working System.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Rowe, Policy Analyst, Office of Federal Financial Management, (telephone: 202–395–3993 OMB email: PaymentIntegrity@omb.eop.gov).

Shalanda Young,

Director, Office of Management & Budget.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act in the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by December 2, 2024. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue,

Alexandria, Virginia 22314 or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Titmus, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address, 703–292–4479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–541, 45 CFR 670), as 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 as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2025–019

1. *Applicant:* Ari Friedlaender, UC Santa Cruz, Institute of Marine Sciences, 115 McAllister Way, Santa Cruz, CA 96050.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Type, description of activity. Take, Harmful Interference, Import into USA. The applicant proposes to continue research activities to understand the population demography, health, behavior, and ecology of cetaceans in the Antarctic Peninsula region. To study these species, the applicant and agents would assess body condition, health, behavior, and distribution using remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS). Population demography and growth rates of cetaceans would be evaluated from remote biopsy samples that would be imported to the U.S. for analysis. Behavior and ecology of individual whales would be studied using multi-sensor suction cup tags that collect high-resolution behavioral information for 1–2 days, dart/barb tags that collect spatial and dive data for up to one month, and implantable tags that collect movement and behavioral data on individual whales for months. The applicant and agents would biopsy, tag, and operate RPAS over humpback whales, Antarctic minke whales, blue whales, fin whales, sei whales, southern right whales, killer whales, and Arnoux's beaked whales. The proposed research focusing on cetaceans requires a permit under the Marine Mammal Protection Act which is currently pending.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula Region.

Dates of Permitted Activities:
December 1, 2024–November 30, 2029.

Alina Pavao,

Administrative Assistant, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

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Application Details

Permit Application: 2025–021

1. *Applicant:* Sujatha Bagal, National Geographic Society, 1145 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Waste Management. The

applicant seeks an Antarctic Conservation Act permit in association with Waste Management activities in Antarctica. The applicant proposes to conduct a multidisciplinary research project in the Weddell Sea involving the use of a Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS), a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), and a benthic camera (drop cam). For RPAS use, flights will only occur under fair weather conditions and be operated by an experienced pilot. No flights would occur in the vicinity of wildlife, and no flights would occur over Antarctic Specially Protected Areas or Historic Sites and Monuments. The dropcam would be deployed to a max depth of 3,500 m for up to four hours. A biodegradable anchor would be released to the environment with each camera deployment. All visits ashore would follow Visitor Site Guidelines where applicable.

Location: Weddell Sea, Antarctica.

Dates of Permitted Activities:
December 14, 2024–January 4, 2025.

Permit Application: 2025–020

2. *Applicant:* Ari S. Friedlaender, Institute for Marine Sciences, UC Santa Cruz, 115 McAllister Way, Santa Cruz, CA 95003.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Waste Management. The applicant proposes to conduct research around the Antarctic Peninsula to determine the ecological role of cetaceans. Sensor tags would be used to collect data on the underwater movement and behavior of the whales. The applicant would collect skin and blubber biopsy samples to gain a better understanding of the identity, population structure, and health of the whales. The applicant would operate Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) to collect photographs of individual whales for health assessment purposes. The applicant would collaborate with Antarctic tour operators that would provide platforms to the applicant's research team in order to gather data during time periods that are undersampled. The applicant is seeking a waste permit to cover any accidental releases that may occur if the biopsy darts, tags, and/or remotely piloted aircraft are lost. The research teams would be comprised of experienced researchers and RPAS pilots. The applicant would minimize the risk of generating waste and losing any equipment due to human error. The applicant would also conduct activities under conditions (weather, sea state, etc.) allowing the applicant and team to maintain visual contact with instrumentation and equipment as well

as aid in retrieval as needed. Multi-sensor, suction cup tags would be attached to whales. When they are shed, they float and are retrieved using radio telemetry tracking tools. While tag failure is rare, a lost tag would constitute waste in the form of 300 grams of syntactic foam, 100 grams of electronics and 20 grams of silicon suction cups. Biopsy sampling is done with a crossbow firing a floating dart, made of aluminum and carbon fiber, that bounces off the whale's body after extracting a tiny plug of tissue. The biopsy bolt tips are a 40 mm stainless steel barrel and the bolts also contain a 5x2cm foam float that is used to aid in dart retrieval. The bolts are highly visible and remain at the surface for retrieval. An observer would maintain visual contact with the bolt until retrieval. The successful retrieval rate is very high (only 3 bolts lost in over 500 sampling events). The UAS/RPAS would be operated by experienced pilots according to protocols designed to ensure safe operations and to minimize the risk of loss. The commercial, off-the-shelf aircraft are powered by lithium polymer batteries and do not require any fuels. Loss of aircraft would result in a minor amount of plastic and metal waste from the frame and camera as well as non-toxic (no lead or cadmium) lithium polymer batteries.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula Region.

Dates of Permitted Activities:
December 1, 2024–November 30, 2029.

Alina Pavao,

Administrative Assistant, Office of Polar Programs.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2025–151 and K2025–149; MC2025–152 and K2025–150; MC2025–153 and K2025–151; MC2025–154 and K2025–152; MC2025–155 and K2025–153; MC2025–156 and K2025–154; MC2025–157 and K2025–155; MC2025–158 and K2025–156]

New Postal Products

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission's consideration concerning a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* November 1, 2024.