

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Commission and Committee will meet in public session to discuss a broad range of marine mammal matters. The focus of the meeting will be on species that occur in waters along the East Coast of the United States. While subject to change, major issues that the Commission plans to consider at the meeting include: the conservation of northern right whales, research and management issues related to the Gulf of Maine population of harbor porpoise, New England pinniped-fishery interactions, humpback whales, sources and effects of anthropogenic noise in the marine environment, whale watching activities in New England, bottlenose dolphins in coastal Atlantic waters, and research related to the effects of the eastern tropical Pacific tuna fishery on dolphins.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** John R. Twiss, Jr., Executive Director, Marine Mammal Commission, 4340 East-West Highway, Room 905, Bethesda, MD, 20814, 301/504-0087.

Dated: September 14, 1998.

**John R. Twiss, Jr.,**

*Executive Director.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### 50th Anniversary Public Advisory Committee; 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:* 50th Anniversary Public Advisory Committee (5213).

*Date and Time:* October 15, 1998—(9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.) and October 16, 1998—(9:00 a.m.–Noon).

*Place:* NSF Headquarters, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1235, Arlington, VA.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Ms. Mary Bullock, Section Head-Special Projects Section, Office of Legislative and Public Affairs, Suite 1245, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1070.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation in highlighting 50 years of U.S. achievements in science and engineering research and education, and in increasing awareness of the role of U.S. support of science and engineering plays in enabling world leadership in these fields.

*Agenda:* Public Advisory Committee members will receive their charge to encourage celebrations of NSF's 50th anniversary in the research and education

communities with which they are connected. Members will discuss ideas and purpose plans for anniversary activities such as symposia among academic, government and other leaders; public outreach events to engage communities of the general public in activities that build interest in science and technology, and other means of increasing public and understanding and appreciation of science and technology.

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**M. Rebecca Winkler,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Proposal Review Panel in Earth Sciences; 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 in Earth Sciences (1569).

*Date and Time:* October 7-9, 1998; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Room 310.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Leonard E. Johnson, Program Director, Continental Dynamics Program, Division of Earth Sciences, Room 785, National Science Foundation, 4210 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230; Telephone: (703) 306-1559.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Continental Dynamics proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed 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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*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Division of Environmental Biology; Notice of Meetings

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

*Name Advisory Panel for Ecological Studies (1751).*

*Date & Time:* October 13-16, 1998, 8:30 am-5:00 pm each day.

*Place:* Room 340, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Scott L. Collins, Program Director, Ecological Studies, Division of Environmental Biology, Room 635, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1483.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Ecology proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Name Advisory Panel for Ecological Studies (1751).*

*Date & Time:* October 6-9, 1998, 8:30 am-5:00 pm each day.

*Place:* Room 380, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Penelope Firth, Program Director, Ecological Studies, Division of Environmental Biology, Room 635, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1479.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Ecosystem Studies proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Type of Meetings:* Closed.

*Purpose of Meetings:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning support for research proposals submitted to the NSF for financial support.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed 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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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Advisory Panel for Neuroscience; 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:* Advisory Panel for Neuroscience (1158).

*Date and Time:* October 15-16, 1998, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Place:* Room 310, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

*Type of Meeting:* Part-Open.