

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment Standards
Administration, Wage and Hour
Division****Minimum Wages for Federal and
Federally Assisted Construction;
General Wage Determination Decisions**

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedes decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used

in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-3014, Washington, DC 20210.

**Modification to General Wage
Determination Decisions**

The number of the decisions listed to the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" being modified are listed by Volume and State. Dates of publication in the **Federal Register** are in parentheses following the decisions being modified.

Volume I:

None

Volume II:

None

Volume III:

None

Volume IV:

None

Volume V:

None

Volume VI:

None

Volume VII:

None

**General Wage Determination
Publication**

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts,

including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts". This publication is available at each of the 50 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically at no cost on the Government Printing Office site at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/davisbacon>. They are also available electronically by subscription to the Davis-Bacon Online Service (<http://davisbacon.fedword.gov>) of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at 1-800-363-2068. This subscription offers value-added features such as electronic delivery of modified wage decisions directly to the user's desktop, the ability to access prior wage decisions issued during the year, extensive Help Desk Support, etc.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, (202) 512-1800.

When ordering hard-copy subscription(s), be sure to specify the State(s) of interest, since subscriptions may be ordered for any or all of the six separate Volumes, arranged by State. Subscriptions include an annual edition (issued in January or February) which includes all current general wage determinations for the States covered by each volume. Throughout the remainder of the year, regular weekly updates will be distributed to subscribers.

Signed at Washington, DC this 16th Day of October 2003.

Carl Poleskey,

*Chief, Branch of Construction Wage
Determinations.*

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**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[Notice 03-132]

**NASA Advisory Council, Space
Science Advisory Committee Sun-
Earth Connection Advisory
Subcommittee Meeting**

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a

forthcoming meeting of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Space Science Advisory Committee (SScAC), Sun-Earth Connection Advisory Subcommittee (SECAS).

DATES: Tuesday, November 4, 2003, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, November 5, 2003, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Thursday, November 6, 2003, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

ADDRESSES: Capitol Hill Club, Governor's Room, 300 First Street, SE., Washington, DC 20003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Marian Norris, Code SB, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, (202) 358-4452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting includes the following topics:

- SEC Overview
- Bahcall Report on Hubble Space Telescope
- Solar Terrestrial Probe Program Update
- Living with a Star Program Update
- Reports from MOWG's
- SEC Instrument Development Program

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

June W. Edwards,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (03-133)]

NASA Earth Science Technology Subcommittee; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the Earth Science Technology Subcommittee.

DATES: Wednesday, November 5, 2003, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Holiday Inn on the Hill, 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Granville Paules, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Welcome/Opening Comments
- Chairman's Introduction and Goals for Meeting
- Why Lasers in Earth Science?—
Overview of Requirements
- Active Optical Measurements in Near-term Missions: ICESat (Ice Cover), Calipso (Clouds), Vegetation Canopy Lidar
- Laser Risk Reduction Program
- Code R Optical Sensing Technologies
- Current Earth Science Technology Office (ESTO) Investments
- Optical Sensing Technologies in Space Technology Alliance (STA)
- Optical Sensing Technologies in Industry
- Summary

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

June W. Edwards,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; National Council on the Arts 150th Meeting

Pursuant to section 10 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the National Council on the Arts will be held on November 13, 2003 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (ending time is tentative) in Room M-09 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506.

This meeting will be open to the public on a space available basis. Following opening remarks and announcements, there will budget and Governmental Affairs updates followed by Application Review (Creativity, Services to Arts Organizations and Artists, Literature Prose Fellowships, and Leadership Initiatives) and review of Guidelines (Grants for Arts Projects). There will also be discipline directors' presentations in Dance (Raising the Barre), Literature (Operation Homecoming), Media Arts (Classical Music on Radio), and Partnership (State Arts Agencies update).

If, in the course of the open session discussion, it becomes necessary for the Council to discuss non-public commercial or financial information of intrinsic value, the Council will go into closed session pursuant to subsection (c)(4) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Additionally, discussion concerning purely personal information about individuals, submitted with grant applications, such as personal biographical and salary data or medical information, may be conducted by the Council in closed session in accordance with subsection (c) (6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Any interested persons may attend, as observers, Council discussions and reviews that are open to the public. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506, 202/682-5532, TTY-TDD 202/682-5429, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from the Office of Communications, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, at 202/682-5570.

Dated: October 20, 2003.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations.

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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: Proposal Review Panel for Materials Research (DMR) #1203.

Dates & Times:

November 5, 2003; 8 a.m.-8 p.m. (open 9-12:30, 1:30-3:45, 7:30-8).

November 6, 2003; 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (closed 8-4).

Place: University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.

Type of Meeting: Part open.

Contact Person: Dr. Thomas Rieker, Program Director, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292-4914.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning progress of Materials Research Science and Engineering Center.