

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 under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

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 at title 45 part 671 of 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 October 28, 2015. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Division of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Li Ling Hamady, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address or ACApermits@nsf.gov or (703) 292-7149.

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

Application Details**Permit Application: 2016-014**

1. *Applicant:* Dwayne Stevens, Marine Operations Manager, Lindblad Expeditions, 1415 Western Ave. Suite 700, Seattle, WA 98101.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Waste Permit; The applicant wishes to fly small, battery operated, remotely controlled Unmanned Aerial Systems (UASs) equipped with cameras to take scenic photos and film of the Antarctic. The UASs would not be flown over

concentrations of birds or mammals or over Antarctic Specially Protected Areas or Historic Sites and Monuments. The proposed pilot has paragliding, ultralight aircraft and helicopter pilot experience; over 15 years experience with remote controlled aircraft; and over 2 years experience and over 500 safe flights with the specific proposed UASs. The UASs would be equipped with flotation in the case of accidental landing, would only be flown over water after launching from an inflatable Zodiac boat, would only be flown when the wind is less than 25 knots, and visual contact would be maintained with the vehicle at all times. The applicant is seeking a Waste Permit to cover any accidental releases that may result from flying a UAS.

Location

Antarctic Peninsula region and South Georgia.

Dates

November 1, 2015 to March 31, 2017.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2015-0001]

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: September 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 2015.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of September 21, 2015

Thursday, September 24, 2015

9:55 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative), Tennessee Valley Authority (Watts Bar Unit 2)—Petition for Review of LBP-15-14.

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION By a vote of 4-0 on September 22, 2015 the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that the above referenced Affirmation Session be held with less than one week notice to the public. The meeting is scheduled on September 24, 2015.

Week of September 28, 2015—Tentative

Monday, September 28, 2015

1:30 p.m. NRC All Employees Meeting (Public Meeting), Marriott Bethesda North Hotel, 5701 Marinelli Road, Rockville, MD 20852.

Thursday, October 1, 2015

9:00 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Decommissioning and Low-Level Waste and Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation Business Lines (Public Meeting), (Contact: Damaris Marciano: 301-415-7328).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Week of October 5, 2015—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of October 5, 2015.

Week of October 12, 2015—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of October 12, 2015.

Week of October 19, 2015—Tentative

Monday, October 19, 2015

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

9:00 a.m. Joint Meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) (Part 1) (Public Meeting), To be held at FERC Headquarters, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC, (Contact: Tania Martinez-Navedo: 301-415-6561).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—www.ferc.gov

11:20 a.m. Joint Meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) (Part 2) (Closed—Ex. 1 & 3), To be held at FERC Headquarters, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC.

Week of October 26, 2015—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of October 26, 2015.

Week of November 2, 2015—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of November 2, 2015

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. For more information or to verify the status of meetings, contact Glenn Ellmers at 301-415-0442 or via email at Glenn.Ellmers@nrc.gov.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/schedule.html>.

The NRC provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with