Overview of This Information Collection

Type of Information Collection: New collection.


Abstract: This information collection request is pursuant to a cooperative agreement between NEH and the American Historical Association (AHA). The purpose of the survey is to understand how the public perceives, and engages with, history and the work of historians. NEH, AHA, and the many educational and cultural institutions they support will use the information gathered in the proposed survey to create responsive and effective history and other humanities programming to better serve the American people. Most immediately, NEH will use findings from the survey to inform programming for “A More Perfect Union,” the agency’s special initiative advancing civic education and commemorating the nation’s 250th anniversary in 2026.

NEH and AHA are developing the survey in collaboration with an advisory board, regional history experts, and Fairleigh Dickinson University Poll (FDUP), a market research and public interest survey center. In April of 2020, FDUP will administer this internet survey to adults in the United States. Survey questions will concern respondents’ perceptions of history and its significance, their understanding of the work of historians, and their consumption of history in various forms and via a variety of media and experiences. The survey will be voluntary and will collect both qualitative and quantitative information. FDUP will ensure optimal polling methodology and manage the logistics of the data collection. This survey will not collect any personally identifiable information (PII).

Affected Public: Survey respondents will be comprised of adult individuals in the United States.

Frequency of Information Collection: Once.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 25 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 625 hours.

Request for Comments

NEH will make comments submitted in response to this notice, including names and addresses where provided, a matter of public record. NEH will summarize the contents and include them in the request for OMB approval. We are requesting comments on all aspects of this clearance request, including (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: October 7, 2019.

Caitlin Cater, Attorney-Advisor, National Endowment for the Humanities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Judith Adkins, Program Officer, Division of Research Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities: 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20506, or judkins@neh.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the Federal Register, and no comments were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice. The full submission may be found at: http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.

DATES: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received by November 12, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725 17th Street NW, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314, or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

Copies of the submission may be obtained by calling 703–292–7556.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information 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 should be addressed to the points of contact in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

Title of Collection: Antarctic Conservation Act Application Permit Form.

OMB Number: 3145–0034.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to renew an information collection.

Overview of this Information Collection: The current Antarctic Conservation Act Application Permit Form (NSF 1078) has been in use for several years. The form requests general information, such as name, affiliation, location, etc., and more specific information as to the type of object to be taken (plant, native mammal, or native bird).

Use of the Information: The purpose of the regulations (45 CFR 670) is to conserve and protect the native mammals, birds, plants, and invertebrates of Antarctica and the

Burden on the Public: The Foundation estimates about 25 responses annually at 45 minutes per response; this computes to approximately 19 hours annually.

Dated: October 7, 2019.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,
Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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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 November 12, 2019. 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address, 703–292–8030, or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

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 a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

1. Applicant: Lee Welhouse, 1225 West Dayton Street, Madison, Wisconsin, USA 53706—Permit application No. 2020–014.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested—Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA). The applicant would enter ASPA 106, Cape Hallett, to perform maintenance and updates on an already installed automatic weather station and to retrieve data collected from the station. The permit holder and agents would approach the area by small fixed-wing aircraft and enter the ASPA on foot. The permit holder would adhere to all guidance in the ASPA management plan.

Location—ASPA 106, Cape Hallett, Northern Victoria Land, Ross Sea.


Activity for Which Permit Is Requested—Harmful Interference. The applicant and agents propose to film emperor penguins (Aptenodytes forsteri) underwater and on the sea ice, using handheld cameras, pole-mounted cameras, and cameras attached to remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS). The resulting footage and photography would be used to create media products including a multi-part series for television. The applicant and agents would maintain distance from penguins that would avoid or minimize disturbance. The results of this work are expected to be useful for outreach and education about Antarctica and the scientific research conducted there.

Location—McMurdo Sound, Ross, Sea, Antarctica.


Erika N. Davis,
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