

organizations with opportunities to continue their professional and programmatic growth through peer learning and knowledge sharing with the PBIF Team and the community.

D. Available Funds for 2026 Grants

The availability of funds for FY26 PBIF Grants depends on LSC's appropriation. LSC's FY26 funding level remains unknown. Decisions on FY26 PBIF Grants will be made in summer 2026, with LSC providing updated

funding details as they become available.

E. Grant Terms

PBIF awards have grant terms of 18 or 24 months, depending on the grant category.

	18 Months	24 Months
Project Grants	✓	✓
Sustainability Grants	X	✓
Project Incubation Grants	X	✓

Applicants for Project Grants may apply for either an 18- or a 24-month grant. Applicants for Sustainability and Project Incubation Grants will apply for a 24-month grant. The grant activities described in the application must cover the full proposed grant term, which commences on October 1, 2026.

III. Grant Application Process

A. PBIF Grant Application Process

The PBIF Application process is managed in LSC's grants management system, GrantEase. Applicants must first submit a Pre-Application to LSC in GrantEase by January 15, 2026, to be considered for funding. After review by LSC staff, LSC's President decides which Applicants will be invited to submit a Full Application. Applicants will be notified of invitations by early March 2026. Full Applications are due to LSC in the GrantEase system on May 8, 2026. Once received, Full Applications will undergo a rigorous review by LSC staff and other subject matter experts. LSC's President makes the final decision on funding for all PBIF grants.

B. Late or Incomplete Applications

LSC may consider a request to submit a Pre-Application after the deadline, but only if the Applicant has submitted an email to probonoinnovation@lsc.gov by January 13, 2026, explaining the circumstances that caused the delay. Communication with LSC staff, including assigned LSC Staff Contact, is not a substitute for sending a formal request and explanation to probonoinnovation@lsc.gov. At its discretion, LSC may consider incomplete Applications. LSC will determine the admissibility of late or incomplete Applications on a case-by-case basis.

C. Multiple Pre-Applications

Applicants may submit multiple Pre-Applications under the same or different funding categories. If applying for multiple grants, Applicants should

submit separate Pre-Applications for each funding request.

D. Additional Information and Guidelines

Additional guidance and instructions on the PBIF Pre-Application and Full Application processes will be available and regularly updated at <https://www.lsc.gov/grants/pro-bono-innovation-fund>.

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Stefanie Davis,

Deputy General Counsel, Legal Services Corporation.

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LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) Board of Directors will meet virtually on November 20, 2025. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time and continue until the Board concludes its agenda.

LOCATION: Public Notice of Virtual Meeting.

LSC will conduct the November 20, 2025, meeting via videoconference. Unless otherwise noted herein, the meeting will be open to public observation via LSC's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@LegalServicesCorp/streams>.

STATUS: Parts of this meeting will be open to the public. The rest of the meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

PORTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Matters to be discussed include a presentation by the LSC Inspector General of its Semiannual Report to Congress; a vote on the Board of Directors' transmittal letter to accompany the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress for the period of April 1 through September 30, 2025; and consideration of and action on a

resolution in recognition and appreciation of distinguished service to the members of LSC's Rural Justice Task Force.

PORTIONS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC: Matters to be discussed include future board meetings.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jessica Wechter, Special Assistant to the President, at (202) 295-1500. Questions may also be sent by electronic mail to the Office of the Corporate Secretary at updates@lsc.gov.

Non-Confidential Meeting Materials: Non-confidential meeting materials will be made available in electronic format at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting on the LSC website, at <https://www.lsc.gov/about-lsc/board-meeting-materials>.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Notice; Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board Membership

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) publishes the names of the members selected to serve on its Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board (PRB). This notice supersedes all previous notices of the PRB membership.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Whittle Spooner. 202-395-4665.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4314(c) of Title 5, U.S.C., requires each agency to establish, in accordance with

regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more PRBs. The PRB shall review and evaluate the initial appraisal of a senior executive's performance by the supervisor, along with any response by the senior executive, and make recommendations to the final rating authority relative to the performance of the senior executive.

The persons named below have been selected to serve on OMB's PRB.
 Stephen M. Billy, Senior Advisor
 Adrienne E. Lucas, Deputy Associate Director for Natural Resources
 Dominic J. Mancini, Deputy Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs
 Mark R. Paoletta, General Counsel
 Sarah W. Spooner, Assistant Director for Management and Operations
 (Authority: 5 U.S.C. 4314(c); 5 CFR 430.311.)

Sarah W. Spooner,
Assistant Director for Management and Operations.
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

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

Name and Committee Code: Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee (13883) (Virtual).

Date and Time: December 11-12, 2025; 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. eastern time.

Place: 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.

This is a virtual meeting. Members and the public may attend this meeting virtually via Zoom.

Registration and attendance information for the meeting will be forthcoming on the advisory committee website: <https://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/aaac.jsp>.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Louise Edwards, Program Director, Division of Astronomical Sciences, Suite W 9147, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; Telephone: 703-292-5135.

Purpose of Meeting: To hear presentations of current programming by representatives from NSF, NASA, DOE and other agencies relevant to astronomy and astrophysics; to discuss current and potential areas of cooperation between the agencies; to

formulate recommendations for continued and new areas of cooperation and mechanisms for achieving them.

Agenda: To provide updates on Agency activities and to discuss the Committees draft annual report due 15 March 2026.

Dated: November 14, 2025.

Crystal Robinson,

Committee Management Officer.

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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 19, 2025. 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, 16 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-227), has developed regulations (45 CFR parts 670 to 674) for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica related to the designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas as requiring special protection, among other purposes.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2026-010

1. *Applicant:* Steve Emslie, University of North Carolina, Department of Biology and Marine Biology, Wilmington, NC 28403

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASP), Import into USA, Export from USA (45 CFR 670). The applicant seeks an Antarctic Conservation Act permit authorizing take and harmful interference associated with research primarily examining ecological responses in diet and foraging behavior of the Adelie penguin (*Pygoscelis adeliae*) in Antarctica. The applicant proposes to collect up to 150 ancient and modern penguin tissues per year at active and abandoned penguin colonies in the Ross Sea region. Ice-free areas would be surveyed and sampled through excavations 1 m x 1 m in size, of sediment and rock in penguin colonies. Excavations would occur in 5-10 cm levels until bedrock or non-orthogenic sediments are encountered, and bones, feathers, eggshell, and whole carcasses would be salvaged. Excavations would be placed in areas with little or no vegetation when possible and upon completion, excavations will be refilled, and disturbed vegetation replaced. Up to 200 small samples of lichens would also be collected per year in ice-free areas near penguin colonies. The applicant additionally proposes to collect salvaged whole or partial seabird carcasses, up to 10 of each species per year, of native Antarctic birds found dead on beaches, at seabird colonies, at McMurdo and Palmer stations. The applicant also proposes collection of small tissue samples from up to 10 mummified carcasses of southern elephant (*Mirounga leonina*), crabeater (*Lobodon carcinophaga*), leopard (*Hydrurga leptonyx*), and Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddellii*) if they are encountered. The applicant holds a valid National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) permit for seal tissue collection. The applicant plans to enter a number of ASPAs detailed below, in addition to other sites in the Ross Sea region.

Location: Ross Sea region. ASPA 104—Sabrina Island, Balleny Islands; ASPA 105—Beaufort Island, McMurdo Sound, Ross Sea; ASPA 106—Cape Hallett, Northern Victoria Land, Ross Sea; ASPA 121—Cape Royds, Ross Island; ASPA 124—Cape Crozier, Ross Island; ASPA 159—Cape Adare, Borchgrevink Coast; ASPA 161—Terra Nova Bay, Ross Sea; ASPA 165—