Application Details

Permit Application: 2019–007

1. Applicant
   Natasja van Gestel, Texas Tech University, Biological Sciences
   Department, 2901 Main Street, Lubbock, TX 79409.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested: Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area, collect soil and vegetation samples. The applicant proposes to enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) 113, Litchfield Island, Arthur Harbor, to study Antarctic soils, microbial communities, and vegetation. The studies would involve short-term, temporary installation of chambers around study plots; temporary installations of data loggers, sensors, and gauges; minimal soil sample collection; and collection of minimal vegetation samples. The applicant would collect 5 plants each of the species Deschampsia antarctica and Colobanthus quitensis and up to 20 small samples of various moss species. Moss samples would be collected near Palmer Station preferentially, if species are available there. All samples would be taken to the home institution for analysis and, ultimately, herbarium curation.

Location: ASPA 113, Litchfield Island, Arthur Harbor; Anvers Island, Palmer Station area.

Dates of Permitted Activities: December 5, 2018–April 10, 2019.

Permit Application: 2019–008

2. Applicant
   Caitlin Saks, WGBH, 1 Guest Street, Boston, MA 02135.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested: Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPA). The applicant would enter ASPA 121, Cape Royds, Ross Island; ASPA 155, Cape Evans, Ross Island; ASPA 157, Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds, Ross Island; ASPA 158, Hut Point, Ross Island; ASPA 172, Lower Taylor Glacier and Blood Falls, Taylor Valley; McMurdo Station area; McMurdo Dry Valleys.


NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review Panel for International Science and Engineering; 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:


Date and Time: October 25, 2018; 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

Type of Meeting: Part-Open.

Contact Person: Cassandra Dudka, PIRE Program Manager, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; Telephone 703/292–7250.

Purpose of Meeting: NSF reverse site visit to conduct a review during year 3 of the five-year award period. To conduct an in-depth evaluation of performance, to assess progress towards goals, and to provide recommendations.

Agenda: See attached.

Reason for Closing: Topics to be discussed and evaluated during closed portions of the site review will include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; and information on personnel. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: September 17, 2018.

Crystal Robinson,
Committee Management Officer.

National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314

Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE)

Reverse Site Visit Agenda—NSF Room C3010

Thursday, October 25, 2018

8:00 a.m. Panelists arrive. Coffee/light refreshments available.

8:15 a.m.–9:05 a.m. Panel Orientation—(CLOSED)

PIRE Rationale and Goals, Charge to Panel

9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. PIRE Project Presentation should cover the following: (OPEN)

Research
Integrating Research & Education

Students (e.g. involvement in project, recruitment, diversity)
Project Management and Communication
Evaluation & Assessment
Institutional Support
International Partnerships

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Questions and Answers

12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m. Working Lunch—Panel Discussion—(CLOSED)

2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Initial Feedback to Project Team (CLOSED)

2:30 p.m. PIRE PI and presenters are dismissed

2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Panel meets for Reverse Site Visit Report Preparation—(CLOSED)

4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m. Report presented to and discussion held with NSF staff—(CLOSED)

5:00 p.m. End of Reverse Site Visit

[FR Doc. 2018–20454 Filed 9–19–18; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 7555–01–P

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources; 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: Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources (EHR) (#1119).

Date and Time: October 18, 2018; 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

October 19, 2018; 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E2020, Alexandria, VA 22314.

To attend the meeting in person, all visitors must contact the Directorate for Education and Human Resources at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for a visitor’s badge. All visitors

[FR Doc. 2018–20454 Filed 9–19–18; 8:45 am]
must access NSF via the Visitor Center entrance adjacent to the south building entrance on Eisenhower Avenue on the day of the meeting to receive a visitor’s badge. It is suggested that visitors allow time to pass through security screening.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Keaven M. Stevenson, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room C11001, Alexandria, VA 22314; (703) 292–8600/ kstevens@nsf.gov.

Summary of Minutes: Minutes and meeting materials will be available on the EHR Advisory Committee website at http://www.nsf.gov/ehr/advisory.jsp or can be obtained from Dr. Ellen McCallie, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Ave., Room C11233, Alexandria, VA 22314; (703) 292–8600; emccalli@nsf.gov.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice with respect to the Foundation’s science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and human resources programming.

Agenda

Thursday, October 18, 2018, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Remarks by the EHR AC Committee Chair and the EHR Assistant Director for Education and Human Resources (EHR).

Public Private Partnerships.

STEM Education of the Future.

Mid-scale Research Infrastructure.

Broadening Participation.

Discussion with France Córdova, NSF Director and F. Fleming Crim, Chief Operating Officer.

Friday, October 19, 2018, 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Day 1 Recap.

Quick briefings.

Update on EHR Programs.

Update on Subcommittees Reflections from the EHR AD.

Committee Business.

Advisory Committee Recommendations.

Final agenda can be located on the EHR AC website: https://www.nsf.gov/ehr/advisory.jsp.

Dated: September 17, 2018.

Crystal Robinson,
Committee Management Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2018–0145 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:


• NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

NRC’s PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC–2018–0145 in your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS.

The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Further Information

On July 13, 2018 (83 FR 32690), the NRC published a request for public