

this RFI will have no competitive advantage in receiving any awards related to the submitted input on a potential space weather-related research priority.

**Confidential Information:** Some contents of the submissions may be made public. Therefore, responses must be unclassified and should not contain any information that might be considered proprietary, confidential, business sensitive, or personally identifying (such as home address or social security number).

**Instructions:** One page documents per topic, multiple documents are allowed. Responses must include the following sections: (1) Title—short and descriptive, (2) Brief Summary of Impacts—a bulleted list of systems impacted by the potential study, (3) Description—a succinct discussion of the topic, its importance, and relevant supporting evidence or arguments, (4) 5–10 year Imperatives—a bulleted list of the steps necessary to carry out the research including comments on relative importance to other. A section including references can be added if needed. Responses should follow the template outlined below. Responses may be no longer than 1 page type written in 12-point font.

#### Response Template

Title of the priority

Brief Summary of Impacts

- One sentence summary of impact 1
- One sentence summary of impact 2

Background and Relevance

A few paragraphs explaining the background of the space weather research priority, its relevance to SWAP Goal 5.5.1 and supporting justification of why this is a high priority issue.

5–10 Year Goals

Over the next 5 to 10 years it is imperative to:

- One sentence summary of goal 1
- One sentence summary of goal 2

References

Include essential references only

#### References:

National Space Weather Strategy, [https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/final\\_nationalspaceweatherstrategy\\_20151028.pdf](https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/final_nationalspaceweatherstrategy_20151028.pdf).

National Space Weather Action Plan, [https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/final\\_nationalspaceweatheractionplan\\_20151028.pdf](https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/final_nationalspaceweatheractionplan_20151028.pdf).

Dated: January 2, 2018

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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 February 5, 2018. 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](mailto: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 requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

#### Application Details

*Permit Application: 2018–030*

1. *Applicant:* Sarah Eppley, Portland State University, Department of Biology, PO Box 751, Portland, OR 97207.

#### Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPAs), sample collection and import into the USA. The applicant proposes to collect moss and soil samples from ASPAs to investigate how warming will affect Antarctic moss terrestrial ecosystems. Moss and soil samples, up to 3 cm deep, would be collected using a metal 2 cubic centimeter coring device. Up to 180 samples total from each of seven different moss species and up to 400 total soil samples will be collected. Sample collection would require access to APSA in the South Shetland Islands. The samples would be imported back to the home university.

#### Location

ASPAs 125, Fildes Peninsula, King George Island, including Zone 125c, Glacier Dome Belligshausen (Collins Glacier); ASPA 150, Ardley Island, Maxwell Bay, Antarctic Peninsula; ASPA 126, Byers Peninsula, Livingston Island.

#### Dates of Permitted Activities

January 30–June 30, 2018.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2018–0001]

### Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

**DATES:** Weeks of January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 2018.

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

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

#### Week of January 8, 2018

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of January 8, 2018.

#### Week of January 15, 2018—Tentative

*Thursday, January 18, 2018*

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/>.