DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

Proposed Revision of Information Collection: Rehabilitation Action Report; OMB Control No. 1240–0008

AGENCY: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP), Labor.

ACTION: Raequest for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance request for comment to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This request helps to ensure that: requested data can be provided in the desired format; reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized; collection instruments are clearly understood; and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) is soliciting comments on the information collection for the OWCP–44, Rehabilitation Action Report.

DATES: All comments must be received on or before January 19, 2027.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comment as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered.

Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to *https://www.regulations.gov* will be posted to the docket, with no changes. Because your comment will be made public, you are responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as your or anyone else's Social Security number or confidential business information.
- If your comment includes confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission.

Written/Paper Submissions: Submit written/paper submissions in the following way:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Mail or visit the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Room S–3323, Washington, DC 20210.
- OWCP will post your comment as well as any attachments, except for information submitted and marked as confidential, in the docket at *https://www.regulations.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anjanette Suggs, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, at *suggs.anjanette@dol.gov @dol.gov* (email); (202) 354–9660.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) is the agency responsible for administration of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA), and the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). 33 U.S.C. 939 (LHWCA) and 5 U.S.C. 8104 and 8111 (FECA) authorize OWCP to pay for approved vocational rehabilitation services to eligible workers with work-related disabilities. These acts provide vocational rehabilitation services to eligible workers with disabilities. Section 8104(a) of the FECA and Section 939(c) of the LHWCA provide that eligible injured workers are to be furnished vocational rehabilitation services, and Section 8111(b) of the FECA and Section 908(g) of the LHWCA provide that persons undergoing such vocational rehabilitation receive maintenance allowances as additional compensation. Form OWCP–44 is used to provide prompt notification of key events in the vocational rehabilitation process that may require OWCP action related to claims and benefits. This information may be used to decide if maintenance allowances should continue to be paid.

FECA: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-20/part-10 https://www.dol.gov/owcp/dfec/regs/statutes/feca.htm

Longshore: https://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/lslaws.htm Division of Federal Employees', Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation (DFELHWC) | U.S. Department of Labor (dol.gov)

II. Desired Focus of Comments

OWCP is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Rehabilitation Action Report. OWCP is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of OWCP's estimate of the burden related to the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used in the estimate;
- Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the information collection 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, *e.g.,* permitting electronic submission of responses.

Documents related to this information collection request are available at *https://regulations.gov.* Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns the Rehabilitation Action Report, Form OWCP–44. OWCP has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request from the previous information collection request.

Type of Review: Extension, with minor change, of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, OWCP.

OMB Number: 1240–0008.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: 6,544.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Number of Responses: 6,544.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,112.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost: $0.00.

OWCP: *1240–0008:* Rehabilitation Action Report.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at *https://www.reginfo.gov.*

Anjanette Suggs,

Certifying Officer.

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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 23, 2026. The meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. Eastern Time and continue until the Board concludes its agenda.

PLACE: Public Notice of Virtual Meeting.

LSC will conduct the November 23, 2026, meeting via videoconference.

Public Observation: Unless otherwise noted herein, the meeting will be open to public observation via LSC's YouTube channel: *https://www.youtube.com/@LegalServicesCorp/streams.*

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Matters to be discussed include a briefing by the Inspector General; considering and acting on the Board of Directors' transmittal letter to accompany the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress for the period of April 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Kimberly Little, Board and Executive Coordinator, 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.*

(Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552b.)

Dated: November 16, 2026.

Stefanie Davis,

Deputy General Counsel, Legal Services Corporation.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: U.S. National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

SUMMARY: The U.S. 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 the permit applications by December 18, 2026. The applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, U.S. National Science Foundation, 401 Dulany Street, 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 U.S. 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: 2027–006

1. *Applicant:* James Hansen, Textron Aviation, One Cessna Blvd., Wichita, KS 67215.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Waste Management (45 CFR 671). The applicant seeks an ACA permit in association with waste management activities for a flight expedition from Punta Arenas, Chile to King George Island in the Antarctic Peninsula region. The applicant would conduct a single trip to King George Island using a King Air 350CER aircraft in December 2026. The aircraft would spend approximately two hours on the ground at King George Island before returning to Punta Arenas, Chile. The aircraft would not be refueled while in Antarctica and has a fuel capacity of 775 gallons. No materials are planned to be released to the environment during the expedition. All solid and liquid waste will be contained on the aircraft and returned to Punta Arenas, Chile for disposal.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula region.

Dates of Permitted Activities: December 5–14, 2026.

Permit Application: 2027–007

2. *Applicant:* Holly Keltner, Northern Illinois University, 1620 Wagner Rd., Batavia, IL 60510.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Import into USA (45 CFR 670). The applicant seeks an ACA permit in association with research into transportation of nutrients by seabirds linking marine and terrestrial ecosystems. The applicant proposes to collect up to 12 samples of two different plant species, Antarctic hair grass (*Deschampsia antarctica*) and Antarctic pearlwort (*Colobanthus quitensis*), with up to three newest-growth leaves collected per sample, leaving individual plants intact. Samples will be collected opportunistically at potential sites throughout the Antarctic Peninsula with the support of a non-governmental tour vessel. Samples will be imported into the USA for analysis.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula region.

Dates of Permitted Activities: November 7–December 31, 2026.

Permit Application: 2027–008

3. *Applicant:* Susan Caballero, Nova Southeastern University, 8000 North Ocean Drive, Dania Beach, FL 33004.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference, Import into USA (45 CFR 670). The applicant seeks an ACA permit in association with research into understanding the levels of genetic diversity of humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) and leopard seals (*Hydrurga leptonyx*) in the Antarctic Peninsula. The applicant proposes to conduct photo identification of marine mammals of interest, conduct skin biopsy sampling, and analyze seawater for marine mammal environmental DNA. Particularly, the applicant proposes to collect up to 30 skin biopsy samples from humpback whales using a modified biopsy crossbow arrow. The applicant further proposes to collect up to 15 skin biopsy samples from leopard seals using small biopsy darts from a Daninject biopsy system which was developed to have minimal impact on pinnipeds. The applicant is trained and experienced in the biopsy collection methods and would be the only person conducting these activities. The applicant would conduct research with the support of a non-governmental tour vessel, and sampling would occur using small boat support opportunistically at sites throughout the Antarctic Peninsula. Samples would be imported into the USA for genetic analysis.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula region.

Dates of Permitted Activities: January 29, 2027–February 20, 2027.

Permit Application: 2027–009

4. *Applicant:* Jessie Creamean, Colorado State University, 1371 Campus Delivery, Fort Collins, CO 80523.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference,