

writing. All written comments should be submitted via any of the methods provided under **ADDRESSES**.

Lead and Cooperating Agencies

NASA is the lead agency for the EIS. The Regents of the University of California will serve as the lead State agency for the EIR. Cooperating agencies have not been identified at this time; however, NASA continues to coordinate with external agencies and may identify one or multiple cooperating agencies during the scoping period.

Joel Carney,

Associate Administrator of the Office of Strategic Infrastructure, Mission Support Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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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 July 26, 2024. 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, 45 CFR 671), 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 as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2025-003

1. *Applicant:* Birgitte McDonald, Moss Landing Marine Labs, 8272 Moss Landing Rd. Moss landing, CA 95039

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area, Import to USA. The applicant requests authorization to enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) No. 124, Cape Crozier, to conduct physiological and ecological studies on emperor penguins (*Aptenodytes forsteri*). The two-part project aims to address fundamental information gaps about the foraging ecology and habitat use of emperor penguins at two stages of their life history. The applicant proposes capturing up to 35 adult breeding emperor penguins as they depart colonies to forage. Penguins will be captured over 100 m away from the colony to minimize disturbance to the colony. Captured penguins will undergo morphological and physiological sampling, including blood, feathers, and guano, and will be fitted with instrumentation used for collecting foraging data. Up to five penguins will also be fitted with a video data logger. Up to 12 penguins would be measured for field metabolic rate using injected sterile doubly labeled water requiring the penguins to be corralled for up to 3.5 hours. Previous experience has shown the penguins remain calm during this period. After penguins return from a foraging trip (~1-3 weeks), the would be recaptured, weighted, measured, and a blood sample collected. An additional 200 guano samples would be collected from penguins at the colony by collecting fresh guano from clean ice or snow at the periphery of the colony.

Location: ASPA 124—Cape Crozier, Ross Island.

Dates of Permitted Activities: 1 October 2024–31 May 2025.

Kimiko S. Bowens-Knox,

Program Analyst, Office of Polar Programs.

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NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m., Friday, June 28, 2024.

PLACE: via Zoom.

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: Special Audit Committee of the Board of Directors meeting.

The General Counsel of the Corporation has certified that in her opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (4) permit closure of the following portion(s) of this meeting:

- Executive (Closed) Session

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Sunshine Act Approval of Executive (Closed) Session
- III. Executive Session: Selection of External Auditor
- IV. Executive Session: Quality Assurance Review Update
- V. Action Item: Approval of External Auditor Selection

PORTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Everything except the Executive (Closed) Session.

PORTIONS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:

Executive (Closed) Session.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 72-1041, 50-498, and 50-499; NRC-2024-0104]

South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company; South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Units 1 and 2; Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an environmental assessment (EA) and a