

\* Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

\* Evaluate the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

\* Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

\* Minimize the burden of the collection of information 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 submissions of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** Mark Wolkow, Department of Labor, Room S-4502 Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20210; 202-219-8184 (phone); 202-219-4975 (fax); mwolkow@dol.gov (email).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Debt Collection Act of 1982 and the Federal Claims Collection Standards, as implemented in the Department by 29 CFR Part 20, require Federal agencies to afford debtors the opportunity to exercise certain rights before the agency reports a debt to a credit bureau or makes an administrative offset. In the exercise of these rights, the debtor may be asked to provide a written explanation of the basis for disputing the amount of existence of a debt alleged owed the agency. A debtor may also be required to provide asset, income, liability, or other information necessary for the agency to determine the debtor's ability to repay the debt, including any interest, penalties and administrative costs assessed.

Information provided by the debtor will be evaluated by the agency official responsible for collection of the debt in order to reconsider his/her initial decision with regard to the existence or amount of the debt. Information concerning the debtor's assets, income, liabilities, etc., will be used by the agency official responsible for collection of the debt to determine whether the agency's action with regard to administrative offset or the assessment of interest, administrative costs or penalties would create undue financial hardship for the debtor, or to determine whether the agency should accept the debtor's proposed repayment schedule.

If a debtor disputes or asks for reconsideration of the agency's determination concerning the debt, the debtor will be required to provide the information or documentation necessary to state his/her case. Presumably, the agency's initial determination would not change without the submission of new information.

Information concerning the debtor's assets, income, liabilities, etc., would typically not be available to the agency unless submitted by the debtor.

**II. Current Actions:**

Failure of the agency to request the information described would either violate the debtor's rights under the Debt Collection Act of 1982 or limit the agency's ability to collect outstanding debts.

If a debtor wishes to appeal an agency action based on undue financial hardship, he/she may be asked to submit information on his/her assets, income, liabilities, or other information considered necessary by the agency official for evaluating the appeal. Use of the information will be explained to the debtor when it is requested; consent to use the information for the specified purpose will be implied from the debtor's submission of the information.

**III. Type of Review**

Extension without change.

**IV. Agency**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

**V. Title**

Disclosure of Information to Credit Reporting Agencies; Administrative Offset; Interest Penalties and Administrative Costs.

**VI. OMB Number**

1225-0030.

**VII. Agency Number**

N/A.

**VIII. Affected Public**

Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; small business or organizations; farms; Federal employees.

**IX. Cite/Reference/Form/Etc.**

It is estimated that 10% of the individuals and organizations indebted to the Department will contest the proposed collection action and will request an administrative review and/or appeal an action based on undue financial hardship. In some cases the debtor will make one request, but not the other. However, in most cases, it is

expected that the debtor will request both actions—first, administrative review of the determination of indebtedness, and second, relief because of undue financial hardship.

Annual burden was estimated based on a review of debtor responses to similar requests for information. Debtors typically respond in 1-2 page letters, supplemented by copies of documents. Letters are most often typewritten. Annual burden is based on a 1¾ hour time allotment to prepare and type a letter. Debtors will not be asked to respond on a form.

**X. Estimated Total Burden Hours**

12,250.

**XI. Estimated Total Burden Cost**

Estimated annual cost to the Federal Government: \$734,650.

Estimated annual cost to the respondents: \$239,890.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 8, 1996.

Michael N. Griffin,

*Acting Deputy Chief Financial Officer.*

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**Employment and Training Administration**

**Job Training Partnership Act: Native American Employment and Training Council Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), as amended, and Section 401(h)(1) of the Job Training Partnership Act, as amended (29 U.S.C. 1671(h)(1)), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Native American Employment and Training Council.

*Time and Date:* The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. on April 25, 1996, and continue until close of business that day; and will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on April 26, 1996, and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. that day. From 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on April 25 will be reserved for participation and presentations by members of the public.

*Place:* Narragansett Ballroom—C, Westin Hotel, One West Exchange Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903.

*Status:* The meeting will be open to the public.

*Matters To Be Considered:* The agenda will focus on the following topics: (1) status of Program Year 1995 Partnership Plan; (2) evaluation progress of the Section 401

program; (3) technical assistance and training; (4) status of pending job training legislation; and (6) status of nominations for expiring appointments to the Council.

Contact Person for More Information: Thomas M. Dowd, Chief, Division of Indian and Native American Programs, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-4641, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-8502 (this is not a toll-free number).

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 9th day of April, 1996.

Timothy M. Barnicle,  
Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (96-041)]

### NASA Advisory Council, Advisory Committee on the International Space Station; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Advisory Committee on the International Space Station.

**DATES:** May 9, 1996, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and May 10, 1996, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW, MIC 7 A&B, Washington, DC 20546.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mr. Bruce Luna, Code M-4, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-1101.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Space Station Program Overview
- Space Station International Participation
- Space Station Utilization

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: April 9, 1996.

Leslie M. Nolan,  
Advisory Committee Management Officer,  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, P.L. 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish 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 at Title 45 Part 670 of 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 these permit applications by May 10, 1996. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 306-1033.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-541), has developed regulations that implement the "Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora" for all United States citizens. The Agreed Measures, developed by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties, recommended 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 Specially Protected Areas and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

The applications received are as follows:

### 1. Applicant

Ron Koger, Project Director, Antarctic Support Associates, 61 Inverness Drive East, Suite 300, Englewood, Colorado 80112, Permit Application No. 97-001.

### Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

The applicant proposes to enter the White Island Site of Special Scientific Interest #18 enroute to the INMARSAT transmitting/receiving facility located on Black Island for the purpose of conducting routine maintenance and emergency repair work. Route of travel through SSSI No. 18, approximately 10 km along the south-west section then through White Strait, has been deemed the only safe year-round surface traverse route to the Black Island site. Surface traverse through the SSSI will be via tracked vehicle, snow mobile, hovercraft, and/or foot travel including ski and snowshoe. Activities within the SSSI will comply fully with the management plan including maintaining a greater than 50 meter distance from the Weddell seal population.

### Location

White Island (SSSI #18), McMurdo Sound, Antarctica.

### Dates

June 1, 1996-May 31; 2000.

### 2. Applicant

David F. Parmelee, Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History, Box 454009, University of Nevada, 4505 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89154-4009, Permit Application No. 96-003.

### Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Taking; Import Into the U.S.

The applicant is a former principal investigator with the U.S. Antarctic Program who banded and monitored numerous birds in the Palmer Station vicinity during the mid/1970's to mid/1980's. Since that time, the applicant has been lecturing onboard cruise ships operating in the Antarctic Peninsula area which permits him to continue observations. This season he will return to the Peninsula as a lecturer and requests permission to continue monitoring previously banded individuals. In addition, the applicant would like to salvage up to 12 dead birds each of penguins, albatrosses, storm-petrels, diving petrels, sheathbills, skuas, waterfowl, waders and songbirds and import them into the U.S. for scientific study conducted at the Barrick Museum of Natural History, University of Nevada.