

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978****AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.**ACTION:** Notice of permit issued.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Polly Penhale, ACA Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; 703-292-8030; email: [ACApermits@nsf.gov](mailto:ACApermits@nsf.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 27, 2021, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the *Federal Register* of a permit application received. The permit was issued on November 29, 2021, to:

**Permit No. 2022-020**

1. David Rootes, Antarctic Logistics and Expeditions

Erika N. Davis,

Program Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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**BILLING CODE 7555-01-P****NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

The National Science Board's (NSB) Committee on External Engagement hereby gives notice of the scheduling of a teleconference for the transaction of National Science Board business pursuant to the National Science Foundation Act and the Government in the Sunshine Act.

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021, from 10:30-11:30 p.m. EST.

**PLACE:** This meeting will be held by teleconference through the National Science Foundation.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The agenda of the teleconference is: Review and discuss *Science & Engineering Indicators 2022* engagement plans; near-term engagement goals including meetings, briefings, roundtables, and media pieces; and a draft proposal for February's external panel.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Point of contact for this meeting is: Nadine Lymn, [nlymn@nsf.gov](mailto:nlymn@nsf.gov), 703/292-7000. To listen to this teleconference, members of the public must send an email to [nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov](mailto:nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov) at least 24 hours prior to the

teleconference. The National Science Board Office will send requesters a toll-free dial-in number. Meeting information and updates may be found at the National Science Board website at [www.nsf.gov/nsb](http://www.nsf.gov/nsb).

Chris Blair,

Executive Assistant to the National Science Board Office.

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**BILLING CODE 7555-01-P****NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Sunshine Act Meeting**

The National Science Board's Committee on Oversight hereby gives notice of the scheduling of a teleconference for the transaction of National Science Board business pursuant to the National Science Foundation Act and the Government in the Sunshine Act.

**TIME AND DATE:** Monday, December 6, 2021, from 2:30-4:00 p.m. EDT.

**PLACE:** This meeting will be held by teleconference through the National Science Foundation.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The agenda of the teleconference is: Chair's opening remarks; approval of prior Committee minutes; review Merit Review Digest revision and Overview, and vote to approve; discussion of NSB Engagement with the Future of NSF EPSCoR Subcommittee to the NSF Committee on Equal Opportunity in Science and Engineering (CEOSE); Office of the Inspector General update; and Chief Financial Officer update.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Point of contact for this meeting is: Chris Blair, [cblair@nsf.gov](mailto:cblair@nsf.gov), 703/292-7000. To listen to this teleconference, members of the public must send an email to [nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov](mailto:nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov) at least 24 hours prior to the teleconference. The National Science Board Office will send requesters a toll-free dial-in number. Meeting information and updates may be found at the National Science Board website at [www.nsf.gov/nsb](http://www.nsf.gov/nsb).

Chris Blair,

Executive Assistant to the National Science Board Office.

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**BILLING CODE 7555-01-P****NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Notice of Permit Modification Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978****AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.**ACTION:** Notice of permit modification request.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of requests to modify permits issued to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice of a requested permit modification.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by January 3, 2022. Permit 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, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Polly Penhale, ACA Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; 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), 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.

*Description of Permit Modification Requested:* The Foundation issued a permit (ACA 2018-025) to Bill Davis, Quark Expeditions Inc. on November 24, 2017. The issued permit allows the applicant to conduct waste management activities associated with the operation and activities of multiple tour vessels in Antarctica. Activities include shore excursions, paddling activities, skiing, mountaineering, and ice climbing as well as vessel-supported short overnight stays, also known as coastal camping. A modification to this permit issued on December 4, 2019, updated the name of the permit-holder to Allison Kean, Vice-president of operations.

Now the applicant proposes a modification to his permit to include