

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).

Agency: Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Title: Proposed Needs Assessment Study: Measures that Matter—Assessing Public Libraries' Activities Related to Workforce Development.

OMB Number: 3137–TBD.

Frequency: Once.

Affected Public: Public library staff at local and state levels, public officials and service providers involved with workforce development efforts at the libraries, and residents participating in the libraries' workforce development activities.

Number of Libraries in Sample: 10–15.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600–900.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: TBD.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: TBD.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: N/A.

Total Annual Costs: TBD.

Public Comments Invited: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Dated: August 17, 2020.

Kim Miller,

*Senior Grants Management Specialist,
Institute of Museum and Library Services.*

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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 September 21, 2020. 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.

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: 2021–004

1. *Applicant:* Grant Ballard, Point Blue Conservation Science, 3820 Cypress Dr. #11, Petaluma, CA 94954.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPAs), Import into USA. The applicant proposed to enter ASPA 121, Cape Royds, ASPA 124, Cape Crozier, and ASPA 105, Beaufort Island, to conduct research on the role of environmental factors on foraging, diet, growth, and survival of Adelie penguins. Research activities would include installing weighbridges, resighting banded birds, and following birds through incubation and chick-rearing until late January. The applicant and agents would attach logging and tracking devices on breeding adults and collect fecal samples from adults and chicks during the brooding and guarding stage, then would attach long-term GPS-Argos tags and geolocating dive recorders on adult penguins. The applicant and agents would measure and band 200 chicks at Cape Royds and 500 chicks at Cape Crozier each season, and would deploy GPS-Argos tags on molted juveniles. The applicant and agents would also conduct similar

research at Cape Bird, but the work would be conducted outside the ASPA boundary. To survey the large colonies at Cape Royds and Cape Crozier in a timely manner, the applicant and agents would employ multiple, self- and collectively-aware remotely piloted aircraft (RPAS) simultaneously. The RPAS will be piloted by trained, experienced, and certified operators and the operations will also involve additional visual observation of penguin behavior. For the surveys, the RPAS launch site would be at least 20 meters away from nesting birds and the RPAS would be operated at 50 meters above ground level and nest birds to help ensure minimal disturbance. Surveys at Cape Crozier have the potential to disturb south polar skuas nesting near the penguin colony. Images obtained from the surveys would be used to estimate the number of nesting adults and chicks, as well as nesting density. The applicant and agents would access the general areas by helicopter and would enter the ASPAs on foot. The applicant would maintain a webcam (PenguinCam) positioned slightly inside the Cape Royds ASPA boundary.

Location: ASPA 121, Cape Royds, Ross Island; ASPA 124, Cape Crozier, Ross Island; ASPA 105, Beaufort Island; Cape Bird (outside ASPA boundary).

Dates of Permitted Activities: October 15, 2020–February 15, 2025.

Erika N. Davis,

Program Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Membership of National Science Foundation's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation is announcing the members of the Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Branch Chief, Executive Services, Division of Human Resource Management, National Science Foundation, Room W15219, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jennifer Munz at the above address or (703) 292–2478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The membership of the National Science

Foundation's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board is as follows:

F. Fleming Crim, Chief Operating Officer, Chairperson
 Wonzie Gardner, Chief Human Capital Officer and Office Head, Office of Information and Resource Management
 Karen Marrongelle, Assistant Director, Directorate for Education and Human Resources
 Suzanne C. Iacono, Office Head, Office of Integrative Activities
 Janis Coughlin-Piester, Deputy Office Head, Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management
 Joanne Tornow, Assistant Director, Directorate for Biological Sciences
 Erwin Gianchandani, Deputy Assistant Director, Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering
 William Malyszka, Division Director, Division of Human Resource Management and PRB Executive Secretary

This announcement of the membership of the National Science Foundation's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board is made in compliance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4).

Dated: August 17, 2020.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Employee Services, Strategic Workforce Planning, Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of a new system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) proposes to establish a new OPM system of records titled "Federal Competency Assessment Records." This system of records contains information that OPM collects, maintains, and uses in the operation of competency assessment tools, including the OPM Competency Exploration for Development and Readiness (CEDAR) tool. These records are collected and used for training and development purposes but are not to be used for employee performance ratings or for hiring and promotion decisions. This system of records will be included

in the OPM's inventory of record systems.

DATES: Please submit comments on or before September 21, 2020. This new system is effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**, with the exception of the routine uses, which are effective September 24, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by one of the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions, please contact: Kelly Cowdery, Forecasting and Methods, Strategic Workforce Planning, Employee Services, Office of Personnel Management at cedar@opm.gov or 202-606-1000. For privacy questions, please contact Kellie Cosgrove Riley, Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Personnel Management at privacy@opm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) proposes to establish a new system of records titled "OPM/Central-22 Federal Competency Assessment Records." This system of records is being established in order to develop and make available to Federal agencies various competency assessment tools, in part, to meet the mandates of the Program Management Improvement Accountability Act (PMIAA). The PMIAA requires that OPM conduct a competency assessment of program managers and project managers throughout the Federal government to identify competency gaps.

Competency assessment-related tools assist agencies in addressing functions of the Human Capital Framework (HCF) (5 CFR part 250(b)), and in addition to fulfilling legislative requirements of the PMIAA. The competency exploration and assessment tools were built with the intent of being used government-wide for many different occupations, in addition to meeting the program manager and project manager assessment requirements of the PMIAA. These tools are generally created and

disseminated in an online format with proper security applications in place for the safety of Federal workforce data.

The use of the records in this system of records supports agencies in assessing current Federal staffing, skills, and competencies in order to focus on priority training and development areas. Such records, will help agencies to professionalize the critical workforce on an increasing basis, encouraging the application of education, training, and experience to inform critical thinking and expert analysis that will support decision-making and overcome challenges to program implementation and execution. The analysis from competency assessment tools will help to develop Federal employees via a career path that provides experience and mentorship opportunities designed to teach these skillsets.

In addition, the HCF (5 CFR part 250(b)) requires agencies to execute several functions related to workforce analysis and planning; talent management; and skill gap closure, including using the OPM-designated method to identify gaps. Furthermore, Chief Human Capital Officers are responsible for workforce assessment, strategy, and development and are entitled to data and information supporting such efforts. Tools and applications that assess competency strengths and gaps will enable the human capital management processes used to cultivate and administer the workforce. It will also help agencies remain current with research and best practices, allow for proactive responses to change, and maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of Human Resource service delivery.

OPM also has a statutory responsibility under 5 U.S.C. 1103(c) to guide, enable, and assess agency strategic human capital management processes to find best practices for assessing the management of human capital by federal agencies. The records in this system of records are necessary to administer competency assessment and exploration tools to enable individual and organizational strategies to address skill gaps and support employee development.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

Federal Competency Assessment Records, OPM/Central-22.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Records are maintained by Strategic Workforce Planning, Employee Services, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20415.