2023-2024 New & Updates Documents

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Section 6(iii) Access has been amended to allow vehicle use on a designated route between Módulo Beach to the field hut located on the northern Cape Shirreff peninsula.

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- A new provision on use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems has been added (Section 7(xii) Access).
- A minor amendment on following guidelines for use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems has been added (Section 7(xi) Access).
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ASPA 172 Lower Taylor Glacier and Blood Falls, McMurdo Dry Valleys, Victoria Land

ASPA 158 Linmeus Terrace, Asgard Range, Victoria Land

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ASPA 132 Potter Peninsula

- General review of the contents of the current Management Plan and their comparison with applicable Antarctic Treaty regulations and guidelines.
- Information updated on the current status of values to be protected, biological communities, scientific research and monitoring being conducted, climate, tourism, and commercial harvesting within the ASMA No. 1.
- Contacts were made with IAATO for updated information on tourism on Admiralty Bay.
- A Code of Conduct for Visitors (appendix A) and Scientific and Environmental Guidelines (appendix B) revised, to make sure this is up to date, and to include reference to relevant Treaty documents.
- New maps of ASMA No. 1 boundaries and Comandante Ferraz Antarctic Station visitors zone included.
- New text has been added pursuant to section ii of Article 7, Access to and movement within or over the Area.