Revised Management Plan for Antarctic Specially Managed Area No.1 Admiralty Bay, King George Island

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| **1. Is a new ASPA proposed?** | No |
| **2. Is a new ASMA proposed?** | No |
| **3. Does the proposal relate to an existing ASPA or ASMA? [[1]](#footnote-1)**  (If so, list all Recommendations, Measures, Resolutions and Decisions pertaining to this ASPA/ASMA, including any previous  designations of this area as an SPA, SSSI or other type of protected area. In particular, please include the date and relevant Recommendation/Measure for the following: | Yes |
| First designation: | Measure 2 (2006) ASMA No. 1 |
| First adoption of management plan: | Measure 2 (2006) ASMA No. 1 |
| Any revisions to management plan: | Measure 14 (2014) |
| Current management plan: | Measure 14 (2014) |
| Any extensions of expiry dates of management plan: | N/A |
| Renamed and renumbered by Decision 1 (2002) as: | N/A |
| Other relevant measures: | N/A |
| **4. If the proposal contains a revision of an existing management plan, please indicate the types of amendment:** | |
| (i) major or minor? | Minor. |
| (ii) any changes to the boundaries or co-ordinates? | None. |
| (iii) any changes to the maps? If yes, are the changes in the captions only or also in the graphics? | Map of ASMA No. 1 boundaries and Comandante Ferraz Antarctic Station’s visitor zone updated as per guidelines established in Resolution 1 (2017) Annex B; Map of Henryk Arctowski Polish Antarctic Station visitor zone was removed, due its current renovation; Maps of Flora (colonized areas) and Birds (occurrence sites) was removed, because updated georeferenced references of the information contained in these maps were not found. |
| (iv) any change to the description of the area that is relevant to identifying its location or its boundaries? | None. |
| (v) any changes that affect any other ASPA, ASMA or HSM within this area or adjacent to it? In particular, please explain any merger with, incorporation of or abolition of any existing area or site. | None. |
| (vi) Other - brief summary of other types of changes, indicating the paragraphs of the management plan in which these are located (especially helpful if the plan is long). | 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;  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. |
| **5. If a new ASPA or ASMA is proposed, does it contain any marine area?** | N/A |
| **6. If yes, does the proposal require the prior approval of CCAMLR in accordance with Decision 9 (2005)?** | N/A |
| **7. If yes, has the prior approval of CCAMLR been obtained?** | N/A |
| If yes, please provide the CCAMLR Final Report and Paragraph No. | N/A |
| **8. If the proposal relates to an ASPA, what is the primary reason for designation (*i.e.*, which part under Article 3.2 of Annex V)?** | N/A |
| **9. If relevant, have you identified the main Environmental Domain represented by the ASPA/ASMA? (Refer to the ‘Environmental Domains Analysis for the Antarctic Continent’ appended to Resolution 3 (2008).)** | Environment A – Antarctic Peninsula northern geologic;  Environment E – Antarctic Peninsula, Alexander and other islands main ice fields and glaciers; and  Environment G – Antarctic Peninsula offshore islands. |
| **10. If relevant, have you identified the main Antarctic Conservation Biogeographic Region represented by the ASPA/ASMA? (Refer to the ‘Antarctic Conservation Biogeographic Regions’ appended to Resolution 3 (2017).** | ACBR 1 - North-east Antarctic Peninsula |
| **11. If relevant, have you identified any Antarctic Important Bird Areas (Resolution 5 (2015)) represented by the ASPA/ASMA? (Refer to the ‘Important Bird Areas in Antarctica 2015 Summary’ appended to ATCM XXXVIII - IP 27 and the full report available at:** [**http://www.era.gs/resources/iba/**](http://www.era.gs/resources/iba/)**)** | ANT045: Point Hennequin, King George Island  IBA criteria A4ii  Coordinates 58°22'48" W, 62°06'57" S  Area 277 ha  Altitude 0 – 250 m  Protection ASMA No.1  ANT046: West Admiralty Bay, King George Island  IBA criteria A1, A4ii, A4iii  Coordinates 58°28' W, 62°12' S  Area 1804 ha  Altitude 0 – c.350 m  Protection ASPA No.128, ASMA No.1 |

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Summary

In accordance with Article 6.3 of Annex V to the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty, the ASMA No. 1 Management Group has initiated in 2019 a five-year review of the management plan for Antarctic Specially Managed Area Admiralty Bay (ASMA No. 1). Resolution 1 (2017) Annex B (Guidelines for the preparation of ASMA management plans) has been followed in the process of revising the management plan. According to the work plan presented in IP 133 at CEP XXIII/ATCM XLIII, the review continued during the intersessional periods. The revised Management Plan for ASMA No.1 Admiralty Bay is attached for consideration by the Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP) for recommendation to adoption by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting (ATCM).

1. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)