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Subject: Permit application for a wedding ceremony in Snæfellsjökull national park

The Environment Agency of Iceland has received an application from Adaline Carlile, dated 20.06.2019, for a wedding ceremony within Snæfellsjökull National Park

Snæfellsjökull National Park is protected as a national park cf. regulation no. 568/2001. Permit from the Environment Agency is needed for any kind of commercial activity and events within the national park according to art. 17 in the Regulation.

Description of the project:

The wedding ceremony will take place on the 29.09.2019 at Djúpalónssandur beach, near the park boundaries. A decision on the exact location will be made when the applicants arrive in Iceland, in co-operation with the park's ranger. The ceremony is estimated to take approx. 30-45 minutes and the number of guests will be 35. The attendees will stay on hard surfaces and refrain from stepping onto the surrounding moss or other fragile vegetation.

Impact assessment:

Due to safety reasons, the Environment Agency of Iceland strongly recommends that the wedding ceremony will be held either on the beach away from the cliffs or on the observation deck, rather than on the cliffs themselves. The edges of the cliffs are very unsafe to stand on.

The Agency considers the project not likely to have a negative effect on the area if the conditions of the permit are followed. To minimize impact on other guests' experience, the Agency suggests that the wedding party parks their vehicles in a parking lot located above the crossroads where the road leads down to Djúpalón. The reason for this is that the parking lot by Djúpalón is small and fills up quickly.



Conclusions and conditions:

The Environment Agency of Iceland hereby grants Adaline Carlile permission on its behalf to hold a wedding ceremony within Snæfellsjökull National Park as described above, on the 29th of September 2019, on the following conditions:

- The location of the ceremony will be moved to either to the observation deck or the beach below the cliffs, and the decision of a new location will be made in co-operation with the park's ranger.
- As a safety measure, refrain from standing on the edges of the cliff.
- Keep this letter with you on site during the project.
- The applicant shall inform rangers in the area about their arrival and departure. This is to be done 24 hours before entering the area and again before leaving it.
- If the date of the ceremony changes, the Environment Agency shall be notified as soon as possible.
- The Environment Agency should be informed if there will be any changes to the project description.
- Off-road driving in Iceland is strictly prohibited.
- Fauna, geological formations and landscape should not be disturbed in any way.
- All disturbance to animals and wildlife is strictly prohibited.
- The permit holder is required to prevent all disturbance to the environment and make sure that all litter is removed from the site after the ceremony.
- It is forbidden to throw rice, flowers or any other objects during the ceremony, as it litters the park.
- Please show consideration to other guests in the park
- If any complications occur during the project, please contact the ranger or the Environment Agency of Iceland, tel. +354 591 2000.

If the permit holder causes damage to nature, according to art. 87 in the Nature Conservation Act no. 60/2013, the Environment Agency of Iceland can, according to the Nature Conservation Act, f.e. order the licensee to fix any damage to nature or vegetation and/or stop the project.

The Environment Agency of Iceland can amend the conditions, add to them or withdraw the permit, if there are any changes in the area's natural conditions, according to the Article 89 (2) of the Nature Conservation Act no. 60/2013.

Permission fee:

Environment Agency of Iceland charges a fee for processing applications for permits in protected areas based on Article 92 of Act no. 61/2013 on Nature Conservation. The fee for functions is 39.400 ISK according to art. 24. b. in the agency's tariff no. 535/2015.

Supervision:

The Environment Agency will supervise the project. The supervisor will be a ranger from the Environment Agency.

Sincerely

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