



NRESi WEEKLY NEWS

April 28-May 2, 2014

A newsletter for faculty, staff and students
who participate in the
Natural Resources & Environmental Studies Institute
and NRES Graduate Programs

NRESi NOTES

FROM THE DIRECTOR & RESEARCH MANAGER

Hi everyone,

As you may know, NRESi is going through a time of transition and is looking to its members for leadership. NRESi members will have seen the call for applications for NRESi's Director position and to fill two upcoming vacancies on the Steering Committee. We are in an exciting time of growth for the Institute and we look forward to your engagement! **The deadline for both roles is Friday, May 23rd**. Let me know if you need additional information.

The proceedings for our *Forest Tenure in British Columbia: Discussing the Options, Developing Innovative Solutions* workshop, held on April 17th, are now complete. They will be circulated throughout the distribution lists and I am also arranging for it to be posted on NRESi's website. The intent of the discussion was not to have a consensus as to the best approach of tenure or system of tenures, but instead create a venue to allow for all perspectives to be considered and interests incorporated, informed by their expertise. With the discussion and opportunities to share the diverse values and priorities, this report includes further information to support individual comments and input into the consultation process. We welcome you to forward this report along to others who might be interested.

Please note that the presentation scheduled for Friday, May 9th from 3:30pm-4:30pm by a visiting Finnish delegation has been cancelled, due to another conference taking many away from UNBC.

Happy Friday!

Leanne Elliott, NRESi Research Manager

REMINDER: Share your information about recent publications, grants, and/or other honors you may have received with others interested in future NRESi issues.

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COMING EVENTS

NRESI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NRESi is planning for its Annual General Meeting, coming up quickly at the end of May. We'll be meeting for two hours to review the accomplishments of the Institute over the past year, while focusing on the future and continuing the planning and work towards the direction described in the strategic plan developed in 2012 . Please plan to attend! The agenda and materials will be circulated in the coming weeks.

Thursday, MAY 29th, 2014

10:00am-12:00pm Room: Gathering Place (5-123)

PUBLICATIONS

Janes, J.K., Li, Y., Keeling, C.I., Yuen, M.M.S., Boone, C.K., Cooke, J.E.K., Bohlmann, J., **Huber, D.P.W., Murray, B.W.**, Colman, D.W., Sperling, F.A.H. 201X. How the mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*) breached the Canadian Rocky Mountains. *Molecular Biology and Evolution* (online early). Open access link: <http://tinyurl.com/MPBRockies>

TRAVEL & CONFERENCES

Roger Wheate organized the 9th biennial International Mountain Cartography workshop at the Alpine Centre in Banff, April 22-26. Approximately 50 attendees listened to 30 well-illustrated talks from nine countries and five continents. A post workshop field trip exposed 16 members to the glorious Icefields Parkway and Jasper. More information can be found at: <http://gis.unbc.ca/banff2014>

ACHIEVEMENTS

Titi Kunkel successfully defended her PhD Thesis titled 'Aboriginal values, sacred landscapes, and resource development in the Cariboo Chilcotin region of BC'. Her supervisory committee included: Drs. Ellen Petticrew (co-supervisor), Bob Ellis (co-supervisor, ULeth), Antonia Mills, Greg Halseth, Mory Ghomshei (UBC). Her external examiner was Dr. Leroy Little Bear (Professor Emeritus, ULeth).

COLLOQUIUM ARCHIVE

Did you miss a colloquium or special lecture? Visit NRESi's webcast archive to catch up! This can be found through the following link: <http://www.unbc.ca/nres-institute/colloquium-series/archived-colloquium-series>

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