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

PARTNERSHIP

For those who have wondered about my col-



lecting newspaper, the digging along University Way or the work going on behind the EFL, this is part of the Sustainable Landscaping Initiative, a partnership between UNBC, the City of Prince

George, the Recycling and Environmental Action Planning Society and a number of other community partners. Over the course of the summer work crews from the Regional Corrections Centre and the Youth Custody Centre will be working to develop bogs to control water around the EFL, do soil conversion and grass trial at Carrie Jane Grey Park and University Way, convert the Bentley Centre Courtyard to a more sustainable landscape, work on the UNBC Arboretum (if approved by the BOG), reseed along the John Hart Bridge and do some beautification work around Studio 2880. The project is being managed by Annie Booth. Eric Rapaport and our consultant from Birch Creek Nursery. In addition, Jane Young, Mike Rutherford and Eric are conducting salt tolerance trials of different species for eventual use along roadways. The project continues to evolve as partners (and grants) trickle in. Stay tuned.

TRAVEL

 Staffan Lindgren has been invited to give two seminars on the



mountain pine beetle during his upcoming trip to Sweden. The first will be at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) in Umeå, on May 4, and the second at the Department of Entomology, SLU, Uppsala, on May 13.

PUBLICATIONS

Johnson, C.J., and Boyce, M.S. 2005. A quantitative approach for regional environmental assessment: application of a habitat-based population viability analysis to wildlife of the Canadian central Arctic. Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency Research and Development Monograph Series:

http://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/015/0002/index_e.htm

houwers and Zhu Liping, 2005. The influence of aspect on the biological weathering of granites: observations from the Kunlun Mountains, China.Geomorphology, 67, 171-188. An MSc thesis from France (Universite Blaise Pascal) was written on testing Kevin's theories regarding thermal stresses to rocks and presented to him while he was there to give a plenary paper: Comte, V. 2004. La Thermoclastie, chimera ou realite. Approche epistemologique d'un processus de meteorisation conteste et evaluation du potential thermoclastique des milieux froids. Department de Geographie, Universite Blaise Pascal, 148pp.

PLEASE NOTE: The weekly newsletter will be published on a monthly basis in May, June, July and August.

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

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