

NRES WEEKLY NEWS February 3 - February 10, 2006

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

THE NRES / CSAM RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM SERIES

"The Cumulative Effects of Climate Warming and other Human Stressors on Freshwater Quantity and Quality in the Western Prairies of Canada"

Date: Friday, February 10, 2006

Time: 4:00 pm **Place:** Room 7 - 212

Refreshments served at 3:50 pm



Dr. David W. Schindler University of Alberta Professor of Ecology

This colloquium is sponsored by the

PEACE/WILLISTON FISH AND WILDLIFE COMPENSATION PROGRAM

FOLLOWING THE COLLOQUIUM YOU ARE INVITED TO MEET THE BIOLOGISTS IN THE WINTERGARDEN BETWEEN 5:10-6:00 PM - LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

 The Knowledge Network is airing an episode of a new series call "The Leading Edge" in which they filmed some

of **Ken Otter's** chickadee research last spring. The show is on Feb 8 at 7:30 and the segment is called "city bird/ country bird".

TRAVEL

Muskwa-Kechika Advisory Board meeting in Mackenzie 7-9 February.

Alex Hawley, Nancy Elliot and Roslyn Pokiak of the Halfway River First Nation will present an overview of their geographic visualization system (GVS) to the Board on 8 February.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On Thursday, March 16th, the NRES Institute (with the support of the Canfor/Doug Little

Endowment) will host the first NRESI Annual Lecture. The lecture will be preceded by a poster session, featuring research by NRES graduate students and NRES Institute members. Following the poster presentation and buffet dinner,

Dr. William Rees (UBC) will deliver his talk entitled "Let's Get Serious about Sustainability (or is it already too late?)".

Mark your calendars!

NRES EQUIPMENT

Are you teaching/TAing a course that will require NRES outdoor equipment next year? Is there some equipment we should consider purchasing for teaching purposes? We are in the process of repairing or replacing what equipment we now have but are soliciting suggestions as to what additional equipment we might want to acquire. Please contact either Steve Storch (storchs@unbc.ca) or John Orlowsky (orlowsky@unbc.ca) with your suggestions.

Hint: some sort of justification for why we should purchase the equipment makes your request more likely to become a priority.

PUBLICATIONS

• Johnson, C.J., K.L. Parker, D.C. Heard, and M.P. Gillingham. 2006. Unrealistic animal movement rates as behavioural bouts: a reply. Journal of Animal Ecology 75:303-308.

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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