



## NRES WEEKLY NEWS

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

### PUBLICATIONS

Osborn, G., **Menounos, B.**, Ryane, C., Riedel, J., Clague, J.J., Koch, J., Clark, D., Scott, K. and P.T. Davis  
2012 Latest Pleistocene and Holocene glacier fluctuations on Mount Baker, Washington. *Quaternary Science Reviews* 49: 33-51

### TRAVEL / CONFERENCES / RESEARCH

**Oscar Garcia** travelled to Concepción, Chile, 20-31 July, to advise the National Forest Simulation Program. He will also give a talk at the University of Concepción on "An introduction to dynamical system theory with application to forest modelling".

Amalsh Dhar (ESM Postdoctoral Fellow) participated an international conference "Boreal Mixedwoods 2012- Ecology and Management for Multiple Values" " which was held in Edmonton, Alberta from 17-20 June. He presented a paper "Impact of variable broadleaf density on spruce growth near Dawson Creek and Fort Nelson in north eastern British Columbia " co-authored by **Christopher D.B. Hawkins**.

**Staffan Lindgren** hosted Mr. Loic Dohet, Ph.D. Candidate at the Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium, (Supervisor Dr. Jean-Claude Gregoire), during his two-week stay in Prince George. Mr. Dohet was collecting *Dendroctonus punctatus*, a cryptic relative of the mountain pine beetle, and its specialist rove beetle predator, for his research with guidance from Staffan and volunteer help from UNBC students Luke Spooner, Rylee Isitt, and Jordan Lindgren. Mr. Dohet also presented his proposed research to a UNBC audience on Friday 13 July.

**Hugues Massicotte**, Linda Tackaberry and James Jones attended the conference Botany 2012: the next generation, in Columbus, Ohio, 7-12 July. Hugues finished his mandate of 2 years as President of the Canadian Botanical Association and James presented the following poster:

J.M.C. Jones, **A.L. Fredeen** & **H.B. Massicotte**. Growth responses of the Cape sundew (*Drosera capensis* L.) to low, medium and high levels of calcium chloride, magnesium chloride and potassium bicarbonate.



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## **TRAVEL / CONFERENCES / RESEARCH** (cont'd)

**Phil Owens** attended a joint UN Food and Agriculture Organization (UN-FAO)-International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) international symposium on Managing Soils for Food Security and Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation at the UN in Vienna, Austria, 23-27 July. Phil gave three oral and three poster presentations representing work by Canadian scientists and was one of the symposium rapporteurs. He also attended a joint FAO-IAEA Coordinated Research Project meeting on using fallout radionuclides and compound-specific stable isotopes for controlling land degradation. The symposium was attended by over 400 people from 87 countries; Phil was the single representative from Canada and his trip was funded by the IAEA and supported by the Government of Canada (Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada).

**Paul Sanborn** conducted field research in northern and central Yukon with colleagues from University of Alberta and SFU (13-22 June), and assisted Yukon government staff with a field course on ecological land classification and soils in the Whitehorse, Teslin, and Watson Lake areas (24-29 June).

**Paul Sanborn** was a volunteer instructor at a 2 ½-day field course on soil description and interpretation sponsored by the Pacific Regional Society of Soil Science, held in the Dawson Creek area, 10-12 July.

**Mark Shrimpton** presented at the 10th International Congress on the Biology of Fish 15-20 July in Madison, WI.

**Jane Young** attended the Botany 2012 Conference in Columbus, OH 6-12 July.

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