



NRES WEEKLY NEWS

October 28 – November 4, 2005

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

THE NRES / CSAM RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM SERIES

“Community: The Social Dimension of Sustainability”

Date: Friday, November 4, 2005

Time: 3:30 pm

Place: Lecture Theatre 9 - 200
(Medical Building)



Dr. David Connell
Assistant Professor
School of Environmental
Planning, UNBC

Light Refreshments served at 3:15 pm

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Catherine Nolin and Neil Hanlon** on the birth of their beautiful baby daughter! Finola Mary Nolin Hanlon was born on Saturday, October 22. She weighed 5 lbs. 10 oz and everyone is healthy and doing fine.



CONTEST

Get those Hilroy coloured pencil-sets out! The newly created NRES Institute at UNBC is

looking to adopt a logo to aid in its identification and recognition both internally and externally.

We will be accepting original logo designs from the current membership and NRES graduate students for the entire month of November. The Steering Committee will select a winning submission from those entrants received by the deadline (last day of November).

The logo should involve no more than three colours, and should incorporate, at a minimum, the acronym of the Institute (NRESI), and be suitable for reproduction at ~ 3cm x 3cm/ dimensions.

Please drop off logo-designs with **Mike Gillingham** in Rm 8-312. Good luck!



UPCOMING EVENTS



- **Science for Communities: Mountain Pine Beetle Research Workshops**

November 7 (UBC) 9 & 10 (UNBC)

The University of Northern British Columbia and the University of British Columbia are co-hosting two workshops on the mountain pine beetle research. These events will bring available science to bear on current mountain pine beetle management issues, identify research needs and gaps, and involve affected communities more directly in research planning.

The workshops will focus on providing a research synthesis of existing research in ecology, management, operations, regeneration, current and new product opportunities and socio-economic issues as well as asking participants to actively engage in creating recommendations for a future research agenda. The two workshops have different sets of speakers and thematic areas and will be linked by videoconferencing. Please visit (www.forrex.org/events/mountainpinebeetleforum) for your FREE registration and further information.

PUBLICATIONS

- **Garcia, O.** "Unifying sigmoid univariate growth equations". *Forest Biometry, Modeling and Information Sciences* 1, 63-68, 2005. <http://www.fbmis.info>
- **Botting RB and AL Fredeen** Contrasting terrestrial lichen, liverwort and moss diversity between old-growth and young second-growth forest on two soil textures in central British Columbia. *Canadian Journal of Botany*. (in press Nov.27/05)



TRAVEL

- **Mike Gillingham** will travel to Alberta to present a paper at the "Putting Perspective

on Uncertainty Workshop" to be held at the Kananaskis Field Station November 3rd and 4th. The workshop is sponsored by the University of Calgary, the Mistakis Institute, and Shell Canada.

- **Roger Wheate** presented a seminar at the University of Bergen (Norway), Oct 14: " Glacier retreat in the Northern Rockies- integrating map, photo and satellite image data".
- **Art Fredeen and PhD student Jocelyn Campbell** are co-authors on a poster entitled: "Epiphytic macrolichen diversity, abundance and nitrogen and carbon pools in a sub-boreal forest: Effect of host tree species and soil type." to be presented at the University of Victoria Forest Biology Symposium, University of Victoria on Nov.9, 2005. Jocelyn is an NSERC Canada Scholarship recipient and is being co-supervised by Dr. Cindy Prescott at UBC.



NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE

- Thanks to **Mike Gillingham**, the NRES website (www.unbc.ca/nres) has a new look. The website has been completely restructured so that it is now the home for both the NRES Institute and NRES Graduate Program. The homepage explains the linkages between these two important aspects of NRES at UNBC. All of the former links related to the NRES Graduate Program have been reorganized under a Graduate Program menu. A new Institute menu links information about purpose, membership and research interests/initiatives of the NRES Institute. This website will continue to be your on-line source of information for NRES newsletters, seminars, and related information.



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

We're on the web at: www.unbc.ca/nres/newsletter

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