

Archived CMI Member Bulletins

March to June 2002

For the sake of brevity, these archived updates have been edited.

CMI Members' Update for March 11, 2002

1. CMI News

CMI Annual Researchers Meeting and Annual General Meeting

April 22-23, 2002

Hillcrest Hotel, Revelstoke BC

Register now at www.cmiae.org

Along with our usual mix of CMI member presentations, BC Hydro contractors will be presenting the results of a three-year project about the benefits of revegetating the drawdown area of the Upper Arrow Reservoir near Revelstoke. This is the only time the contractors will be together to present their findings. Info on this meeting and a draft speaker list was sent to you last week, and it is also available on our web site. (I will be up-dating the speaker list on our web site later this week.) *We have time for only 2-3 more speakers, please contact the CMI office soon if you would like to make a presentation.*

Final Report on "Post Harvesting Windthrow Rates"

The final report for the five-year research project "Integrating Mountain Caribou Requirements and Forest Management in the Interior Cedar Hemlock - Post Harvesting Windthrow Rates" is now available on the CMI web site in the "Research Highlights" section. Authors of this report are CMI members Harry Quesnel and Lauren Waters. Lauren is a CMI Research Associate, and we were able to assist her in applying for funds and administering the project.

2. French Volunteer for Reptile Projects

CMI doesn't usually pass on personal requests for student work placements - but this fellow appears to have an unusual skill set in that he is requesting a work placement specifically with reptiles. He is a second year university student in France. He is available July 1 to August 31. If you are interested please contact him directly, or I could send you his resume and the email letter he sent by way of introducing himself.

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3. Conferences

2002 Wetlands Institute: Glaciers to Goose Nests

July 7-13, 2002

Invermere BC

Business leaders, concerned citizens, educators, First Nations, planners, and youth are invited to attend the 2002 Wetlands Institute in Invermere, BC. Following a successful Wetlands Institute meeting in Nanaimo last year, the 2002 Institute will move east to the Columbia Basin. This is the first time the Wetlands Institute has examined the interplay between wilderness, rural and urban land-use issues. Participants will explore the connectivity of aquatic ecosystems starting at their upland sources, glaciers, and ending at lowland wetlands (don't step on the goose nest!). The health of these seemingly remote watersheds will be investigated. Solutions to development and land-use impacts will be highlighted. For more info, contact:

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4. Photo Source for Wildlife/transportation Conflicts

"Images of wildlife and transportation in conflict" CD ROM

With help from a Y2Y Mini-grant, the BEAR Society in Banff has created a CD ROM illustrating the deadly mix of wildlife, vehicles and trains in and outside protected areas. The disk's 36 images show wildlife crossing structures from around the world as well as wildlife, such as bears, feeding next to roads, crossing roads and, at times, dead on roads and rails. Each image is accompanied by text that explains its location and situation. This image database is an excellent resource for organizations whose work involves the effects of transportation routes on wildlife. This CD is available for \$25 (Canadian funds). The price includes shipping and handling. To purchase contact the BEAR Society at 403-762-0361 or send an email to: info@bearsociety.org. To see a sample of some of the photos go to: www.bearsociety.org.

Ecological and Earth Sciences in Mountain Areas

Banff AB

September 6-10, 2002

This is the second in a series of international workshops on mountain communities. Topics to be covered include: the state of the world's mountains, biological corridors and elevational connectivity, biological diversity and ecological risks, bio-physical hazards and climate change impacts. More information at:

http://www.banffcentre.ca/mountainculture/mountain_conferences/eesma/schedule.html

CMI Members' Update for March 18, 2002

1. CMI News

List of Speakers

CMI Annual Researchers' Meeting

April 22-23, 2002

Hillcrest Hotel, Revelstoke BC

Cost \$45 for CMI Members, register at www.cmiae.org

- Presentations will begin at 7:30 pm on the evening of April 22 and continue on April 23. Part of the afternoon of April 23 will be a field trip to the Upper Arrow Revegetated Area (Revelstoke Flats).
- Our Agenda is full. I can take a few names on a standby basis in case we have a presenter cancel - contact Jackie at office@cmiae.org.
- You are welcome to bring a poster describing your work.

Evaluating Ecosystem Management in the Columbia Mountains of British Columbia - Jenny Feick Biodiversity Branch, BC Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection (presentation on her Doctoral Thesis for University of Calgary)

Stand-Level Seral Indices for the IDFdk3 - Harry Quesnel, Ecotessara Consultants

Post-Harvesting Windthrow Rates - Harry Quesnel, Ecotessara Consultants

Fire Regime Analysis of Mount Revelstoke National Park - Marie-Pierre Rogeau, Wildland Disturbance Consultant

A Framework for Maintaining and Monitoring Biodiversity in the Arrow Forest District - Robert Serrouya, Kokanee Forest Consulting

Alpine Larch or Subalpine Larch? A Disturbing Dilemma - Brendan Wilson, Cordilleran Ecological Research

Townsend's Big-eared Bat in the East Kootenays - Mitchell Firman, Golder Associates

As part of the CMI Annual Researchers Meeting, BC Hydro is sponsoring a public session on "Benefits of Shoreline Revegetation in the Upper Arrow Reservoir", a project undertaken as part of BC Hydro's Strategic Environmental Initiatives Program. The session will outline the results of a three-year project to assess the

benefits of the revegetation work done by BC Hydro over the last decade. Speakers will include:

Upper Arrow Revegetation Benefits Project – Ed Hill, BC Hydro.

Recreational Users and Use of the Upper Arrow Reservoir Revegetated Areas - Mike McPhee, Quadra Planning Consultants Ltd.

Bird Use of the Revelstoke Reach, Arrow Reservoir- John Woods, Parks Canada, et al.

Soil and Vegetation Studies (carbon, biomass and nutrient analysis) on the New Revelstoke Wetlands - Will Carr, CSQ Environmental Technologies Ltd and Anne Moody, AIM Ecological Consultants Ltd.

Biofilm, Invertebrate, and Fish Communities Associated with Vegetation Strata in the Drawdown Zone of the Arrow Lake Reservoir - Chris Perrin Limnotek Research and Development Inc.

Predicting the Response of Riparian Vegetation and Aquatic Littoral Communities to Alternate Reservoir Operating Strategies, - Josh Korman, Ecometric Research Inc.

Vegetation Development in the Draw Down Zone of Upper Arrow Lake - a Historical Perspective – Anne Moody, AIM Ecological Consultants Ltd.

2. Bird Bander Required in Costa Rica ASAP

There is an immediate opening for a Primary Bander at a bird monitoring station at a coastal Costa Rican town beginning mid-April through the end of May 2002. The candidate should have had extensive experience operating a capture station. Airfare, a small stipend, room and board are provided (Caribbean Conservation Corporation, Tortuguero). Dr. Ralph and his collaborators have been operating five monitoring stations near the village for eight years. They operate mist nets for resident and migrant species and conduct migration censuses of the millions of diurnal migrants moving along the coast. Please send an indication of your interest and any questions to Dr. C. John Ralph U.S. Forest Service, Redwood Sciences Laboratory, 1700 Bayview Drive, Arcata, California 95521. (707) 825-2992 (fax: 825-2901) home: 822-2015 (fax: 822-1626) cjralph@humboldt1.com

3. Mount Revelstoke and Glacier National Parks Management Plan

Mount Revelstoke and Glacier National Parks have reached the next stage in their park planning process, the development of a concept plan. This is available for review and comment at:

http://parkscan.harbour.com/glacier/plan_e.htm

CMI Members' Update for April 29, 2002

CMI Annual Researchers' Meeting 2002

Over 50 people attended our April 22-23, 2002 Annual Researchers' Meeting at the Hillcrest Hotel in Revelstoke. This year's meeting included presentations by BC Hydro's contractors that have been assessing the ecological benefits of seeding the Upper Arrow drawdown zone south of Revelstoke. Summaries of presentations and contact info for the presenters will be on the CMI web site in the next week or so.

CMI Annual General Meeting 2001/2002

The AGM was held as part of the Annual Researchers' Meeting, on April 23, 2002. Past CMI President John Woods thanked Alan Mason for his years on the CMI Board; Alan is stepping down from his position as Director and President. Alan thanked our retiring board members, Lee Harding and Tim Rogers, for their time on our board. He welcomed our newest Director, Dr. Rachel Holt, of Veridian Ecological Consulting (South Slokan). A complete list of the current Directors, plus biographical notes and contact information, will be posted on the CMI web site early next week.

The 2001-2002 Annual Report is posted on the CMI site, look in the "About CMI" section. Paper copies of the Annual Report are available on request.

Great Blue Heron Breeding Inventory

The West Kootenay Naturalists' Association is sponsoring a project called "*Breeding Inventory and Habitat Assessment of Great Blue Herons in the Columbia River Basin*" funded by the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program. Blue-listed herons have not been comprehensively surveyed in the basin since 1983, and this species is declining in coastal

and southern jurisdictions. The aim of this project is to obtain good baseline data as a benchmark against which to measure potential future changes.

One component of the project is to establish a great blue heron "sighting network" in the Columbia Basin and draw on the local knowledge of residents to refine the inventory. Residents are asked to contact Marlene Machmer, Pandion Ecological Consulting, telephone 250-354-0150, email (mmachmer@netidea.com) or submit their heron sightings on line (www.cbfishwildlife.org) from late April 2002 to March 2003. Sightings that are of interest include locations of heron nests, breeding colonies, and large groups of herons repeatedly feeding within an area. Sightings will be followed up from late April to early August as part of this inventory.

SIFERP Becomes FORREX

The Southern Interior Forest Research Extension Partnership has expanded its reach across the province and now has a new name – "Forest Extension Research Partnership". They have a new acronym, too – "FORREX".

FORREX has moved offices to Suite 702 - 235 1st Avenue Kamloops BC, V2C 3J4. Telephone, facsimile and email information remains the same. You can still reach their information-packed web site at www.siferp.com Note that their new address is www.forrex.org

"Ghost River": The Columbia

In this four page paper, "Ghost River: The Columbia", FORREX extension specialist and published author, Don Gayton examines the history and geography of the Columbia River and current ecosystem management issues related to its hydroelectric development. This article is from of the BC Journal of Ecosystems Management, published by the Forest Extension Research Partnership. You can download the article as a PDF file from the front page of www.forrex.org

Kelowna Needs Wildland Fire Assessment Services

The City of Kelowna is looking for people that can provide Wildland Fire Assessment Services for the Okanagan Region. They are building a list of "qualified professionals" to call for future work. If you want to be on this list please contact Fred Schaad, Environment Technician, Environment Division, Works & Utilities, City of Kelowna. Phone 250-862-3339, ext. 350 or email fschaad@city.kelowna.bc.ca

CMI Members' Update for May 8, 2002

Be sure to read the Information Bulletin about Mountain Caribou populations, see last item in this bulletin.

1. CMI Membership News

CMI is pleased to welcome our newest Corporate Members - the City of Revelstoke, the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program, the Friends of Mount Revelstoke and Glacier, and Mountain Equipment Co-op. CMI now has 23 Corporate Members.

- BC Hydro
- BC Ministry of Forests, Research Branch, Victoria office
- BC Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Habitat Protection Branch, Victoria office
- Canadian Mountain Holidays
- City of Revelstoke
- Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program
- Columbia-Kootenay Fisheries Renewal Partnership
- Dillon Consulting
- Downie Street Sawmills
- East Kootenay Environmental Society
- Friends of Mount Revelstoke and Glacier
- Golder Associates

- Haul-All Equipment
- Monashee Powder Adventures Cat Skiing
- Mountain Equipment Co-op
- Okanagan University College
- Pandion Ecological Research
- Parks Canada, Mount Revelstoke and Glacier National Parks
- Parks Canada, Western Canada Service Centre
- Revelstoke Career Centre Society
- Revelstoke Community Forest Corporation
- Southern Interior Forest and Extension Partnership
- Tembec Forest Industries

2. Indicators of Climate Change for BC now available on-line

Indicators of Climate Change for BC, 2002 documents how temperature, precipitation, and some related physical and biological systems changed in BC during the last 100 years. The trends suggest that many regions of BC are starting to feel the early impacts of climate change. The site provides the full Indicators report in PDF downloadable format. Or you can view (on-screen) the report by topic area, including technical background papers and references for each topic.

The document is now posted on the BC Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection's Climate Change web site, at:

<http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/air/climate/index.html>

Scroll down to *Indicators of Climate Change for BC, 2002*.

3. Ultraviolet-B Radiation Impacts on Tree Seedlings in British Columbia

BC Ministry of Forests Research Branch, Land Management Handbook #49

In this report, authors Sylvia L'Hirondelle and Wolfgang D. Binder provide some background information on the thinning ozone layer and how UV-B affects plants, summarize the logistics of UV-B exposure studies, and show results for each tree species studied. They make an initial ranking of UV-B sensitivity, compare results to those of other studies, and make recommendations for future directions.

Download the report at:

<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfd/pubs/Docs/Lmh/Lmh49.htm>

4. Sustaining Healthy Grasslands Symposium

Grasslands Conservation Council of BC

June 13-15, 2002

Town and Country Motor Inn, Cranbrook BC

For more information call Bruno Delesalle at 250-374-5787

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5. Information Bulletin – Mountain Caribou Census Results Released

This is an information bulletin released jointly by Parks Canada, BC Ministry of Forests, and BC Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection. It underlines the importance of CMI's "Mountain Caribou in 21st Century Ecosystems" conference scheduled for October 2002.

REVELSTOKE, May 13, 2002 — The British Columbia ministries of Water, Land and Air Protection, and Forests and Parks Canada are working together to study mountain caribou, a subspecies of woodland caribou that is considered threatened.

Both provincial and federal agencies are concerned about the preliminary results of the latest population census for several mountain caribou herds in southeastern British Columbia. There appears to be a widespread decline in caribou numbers across the southern portion of their range.

The Revelstoke herd census, conducted in March 2002, found 174 individual mountain caribou, down from 362 in 1994. The "Revelstoke herd" consists of caribou on either side of the Revelstoke Reservoir from Revelstoke to just north of Mica, and

from northern Glacier National Park on the east, to the Monashee Mountains to the west. The southern portions of this range including the national parks had the most greatly reduced census numbers.

Caribou are counted from the air during the late winter when they are often easy to see in the open subalpine forest. Previous studies using radio-collared animals in this area suggests that about 90 per cent are counted in this manner during winters with a snowpack of greater than three metres. The area surveyed is held constant from year-to-year and counts are not conducted in low snow years. Previous censuses were in 1994 (362 caribou), 1996 (307), and 1997 (309).

The recent census was conducted under generally favourable conditions. The snowpack was greater than three metres, and there were several good flying days in succession. These conditions are necessary to reduce sampling error and do not occur every year. Counts are made from helicopters and depend on the observers seeing caribou tracks in the snow and then following the tracks to locate the animals. In cases where tracks are found but the caribou not observed, an estimated figure is added to the total. This technique relies on consistent methods from year-to-year and does not calculate the statistical error for each estimate.

Other herds that appear to have recently declined include the Central Selkirks, Central Rockies, and Wells Gray Park. Survey results from other herds, such as the South Selkirks, South Purcells, Wells Gray North, Barkerville, Narrow Lake and Hart Ranges, appear to be similar to previous surveys. However, several mountain caribou herds are now at critically low levels. These include the South Selkirks (35 caribou), Central Rockies (20), South Purcells (20), Monashees (10) and George Mountain (5).

These mountain caribou surveys are part of an on going research and monitoring collaboration between Parks Canada and provincial agencies including the Ministry of Forests, the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, and the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program.

Federally, mountain caribou are recognized by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife (COSEWIC) as part of the threatened "Southern Mountain population" of Woodland Caribou. Threatened populations are considered likely to become endangered if limiting factors are not reversed. Provincially, the mountain caribou are designated as "red listed" by the Conservation Data Centre.

The Mountain Caribou Technical Advisory Committee, made up of experts from the provincial government, Parks Canada, the forest industry and stakeholders, has drafted a provincial recovery plan for mountain caribou. The plan is currently under review by the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection and is expected to be released this summer. The committee will meet in June to review the recent survey information, and seek explanations for and solutions to the apparent decline in mountain caribou populations.

The Columbia Mountains Institute in Revelstoke is organizing a major conference, "Managing Mountain Caribou in the 21st Century" in October 2002, in conjunction with the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, the Ministry of Forests and Parks Canada.

These actions reflect that all partners are taking an ecosystem approach to this issue, not a jurisdictional one.

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Ministry of Forests Revelstoke

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CMI Members' Update for May 23, 2002

1. CMI News

1. CMI welcomes Nanuq Consulting Ltd. of Nelson as our newest corporate member. Thanks go to Dennis Hamilton for his support!
2. Would you like to have your company name featured in front of more than 100 biologists, foresters, park managers, government staff, and others? Consider becoming a sponsor for our upcoming "Mountain Caribou in 21st Century Ecosystems" conference, to be held October 16-18 2002 in Revelstoke. Contributions of \$100 or more will put you on our list of sponsors. Your company name will appear on our web site, in conference announcements, and on the conference agenda. For details call Jackie Morris at the CMI office, 837-9311.

2. East Kootenay Public Rep Wanted for Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program

The Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program (CBFWCP) is looking for an energetic conservation-minded volunteer with a demonstrated knowledge of fish and wildlife activities and issues to represent the south-east Kootenays on its Steering Committee. CBFWCP is a joint partnership between BC Hydro and the Government of British Columbia to conserve and enhance fish and wildlife populations in the Columbia Basin affected by the construction of BC Hydro dams. The steering committee, which guides the Compensation Program, is comprised of appointed representatives from partner agencies, First Nations and three people from the Columbia Basin public.

The deadline for submissions is June 14, 2002 with the successful candidate beginning July 15. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Beth Woodbridge at CBFWCP's Nelson office (250-352-6874 or beth.woodbridge@bchydro.bc.ca) for a nominee information package. For more information on the Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program, visit www.cbfishwildlife.org.

3. Contract Opportunity for Senior Forest Ecologist

This is a clip taken from the BC Bid Opportunity web site at www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca You can subscribe to the distribution list for these contract postings at their web site.

The Ministry of Forests is seeking the contract services of a senior forest ecologist with considerable experience in BEC classification of the Nelson Forest Region. The consultant will use the field records and data from the former Forest Ecologist to provide the following services...[full details at http://www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca/data/itqs/50_5003NOXVT007.htm] Closes June 13 2002.

4. Publication on "Special Forest Products"

This US Forest Service research publication titled "Special Forests Products: Species Information" is by N. Vance, M. Borsting, D. Pilz, and J. Freed. The guide is a collection of information about important vascular and non-vascular plants and fungi found in the Pacific Northwest [US] that furnish special forest products. Internet commerce has made these products available to consumers world-wide and expanded interest in medicinal plants, decorative floral products, and edible wild fruits and mushrooms. The publication describes biological and ecological attributes of over 60 plants and fungi and their harvest methods, alternatives to wild harvest, and use. Download the PDF document at:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/pnw/pubs/gtr513/>

The 169 page document is broken into sections for easier downloading.

5. Conferences

Ecological and Earth Sciences in Mountain Areas Conference
Banff Centre for Mountain Culture
Banff Alberta

September 6-10, 2002

This is the second in a series of workshops occurring over five years. For details and registration visit:
<http://www.banffmountainfestivals.ca/mtnconferences/eesma/>

Beyond Emissions: Climate Change Forum
Okanagan University College KLO Campus, May 30 2002
Okanagan Regional Library, May 31 2002

Participants at this multi-partnered session will hear talks on impacts of climate change in the Okanagan and other parts of BC. For more details contact Jennifer French, phone 250 763-4427 or email jfrench@silk.net.

CMI Members' Update for June 4, 2002

1. CMI Events

DNA-Based Wildlife Studies Course

November 18-21 2002
Nelson BC
Cost: each session is \$175

Session One: Study Design and Field Methods for DNA-Based, Mark-Recapture Inventories

Session Two: Genetic Analysis of Individual Identity in DNA-Based Inventories

Session Three: Advanced Mark-Recapture Analysis of Genetic Data

Garth Mowat, David Paetkau, and John Boulanger will teach this three-session course. Details were sent to you by email on June 3. The registration form and description of the sessions is now posted on our web site at www.cmiae.org

Wildlife Post Mortem Session

I haven't yet completed arranging the details for this session but the word seems to be out there already. We have five of the fifteen spots taken. MWLAP Wildlife Veterinarian Helen Schwantje will be conducting this session on how to do a post-mortem in the field. The session will be held on the afternoon of Tuesday October 15 in Revelstoke, just before our big Mountain Caribou Conference. Cost is about \$85.00. If you want to attend, send me a note **ASAP** before I begin to promote the session widely. (Now, aren't you glad to be a CMI member and that you have advance notice?)

Mountain Caribou in 21st Century Ecosystems Conference - October 16-18 2002

Third Annual Byroria Workshop with Trevor Goward - October 19-20 2002

Registrations for these events are starting to come in. Details and registration forms are on the web site.

2. Public Consultation Process for Revising Forest Practices Code

In its New Era document, the British Columbia government made a commitment to "streamline the Forest Practices Code to establish a workable, results-based code, with tough penalties for non-compliance". On May 1st, 2002, the government released a detailed discussion paper for public consultation, appointing Professor George Hoberg, Head of the Department of Forest Resources Management at UBC, as director of the consultation process. Dr. Hoberg is responsible for preparing a report based on his consultations by August 1, 2002. The government has agreed to respond in writing to the issues identified in the report. It is expected that legislation will be introduced this fall, with implementation of the new results-based Code in the Spring of 2003.

To find out about three components of the consultation process, when meetings are held, how to submit your comments, etc, visit:

<http://www.resultsbasedcode.ca/>

3. BC Government Web Portal for Endangered Species Info

This web site is a gateway to information about endangered species in BC, and is supported by the BC Conservation Data Centre (BC Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management) and the Biodiversity Branch (BC Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection). This new website also links to Species Status Reports, the Provincial Natural Plant Community Tracking List, and more. Visit:

<http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/atrisk/>

4. Natural Resources Information Management Forum: First Announcement and Call for Papers

February 5-6, 2003,
Delta Vancouver Airport Hotel, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Forest Research Extension Partnership ("FORREX" is the new name for the Southern Interior Forest Extension Research Partnership) is working in collaboration with a variety of organizations to improve the way information is organized and used in British Columbia. This two-day Forum will offer presentations and discussions on the latest information management approaches, tools, technologies, and initiatives. Regional, provincial, national and international experiences of relevance to British Columbia will be shared. For more information visit www.forrex.org or call Trina Innes Tel: 250-371-3955 or : trina.innes@forrex.org.

5. International Mountain Caribou Technical Committee

June 27-28, 2002
Best Western Hotel, Nelson.

The summer IMCTC meeting is open to the public. For information on times and speakers, please visit: www.imctc.com

CMI Members' Update for June 20, 2002

1. CMI News

The CMI Directors have chosen the executive officers, so it's time to announce who's who. A big thank you goes to our Directors and Executive, who volunteer their time to direct the activities of the CMI. Our Board is a working Board - these are the people behind our successful conferences and courses.

President - Karen Bray

Vice President - Ian Adams

Treasurer - Del Williams

Secretary - Susan Hall

Directors: Jenny Feick, Rachel Holt, Bruce McLellan, George Richardson, Chris Steeger, Colene Wood, Guy Woods, John Woods

Have you seen the fall line-up of CMI events? Take a look at our web site www.cmiae.org for the details on:

- Wildlife Post Mortem Session, October 15 (four spots left)
- Mountain Caribou in 21st Century Ecosystem Conference, October 16-18
- Third Annual Bryoria Workshop, October 19-20
- DNA Based Wildlife Studies – Study Design, Field Methods, Genetic Analysis, and Analysis of Mark-Recapture Data, November 18-21

2. Job Postings

Golder Associates requires an Intermediate Terrestrial Biologist, (Wildlife & Vegetation) to be located in Abbotsford BC. For more details visit:

<http://www.golder.com/Careers/JobPostingsTabs.asp?Tab=View&JobPostingID=219>

Keystone Wildlife is seeking a senior biologist to fill mentorship, management, report writing and client liaison roles in a growing environmental consulting business in White Rock, BC. For more information please contact keystone@telus.net.

3. Conferences and Proceedings

Sustainable Forest Management Plans - Where is the best place to invest your budget?

January 22-23, 2003

Prince George, BC

Call for Papers and Projects

The intent of the conference is to take a closer look at silviculture investments and how they will achieve the results indicated in SFM plans. For more details visit:

<http://www.unbc.ca/conted/NSCwinter2003.htm>

4. Proceedings for the March 2002 BC Community Forestry Forum Now Available

There are many challenges in moving to a community-based form of forest management, such as gaining access to forest tenure, building community capacity, gaining central government support, and developing appropriate decision-making processes and management practices. In March 2002 more than 240 community forestry practitioners and advocates, First Nations and community leaders, government officials and policy-makers, educators, researchers and students gathered in Victoria for the largest community forestry meeting ever held in that province. View the Proceedings at:

<http://www.cf-forum.org/>