
For British Columbia and Beyond

Climate Change and Fire Management Research Strategy Forum

Victoria Marriot Inner Harbour
728 Humbolt Street, Victoria BC

February 17-19
2009

Purpose of the session:

To prepare a research and communication strategy that defines needs and approaches related to climate change impacts on integrated forest and wildland fire management.

Day 1: February 17, 2009: 1:00pm-5:00pm

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| 10:00am | Registration Desk Opens and Poster Set Up |
| 12:00pm | Lunch (on own) |
| 1:00pm | Welcome, Introductions and Review of Agenda |
| 1:30pm | Presentation Topic: Weather and Climate
Mike Flannigan, Research Scientist with Canadian Forest Service,
Great Lakes Forestry Centre |
| 2:30pm | Presentation Topic: Canadian Wildland Fire Strategy
Gordon E. Miller, Director General with Canadian Forest Service,
Northern Forestry Centre |
| 3:30pm | Break - Poster Review |
| 3:50pm | Presentation Topic: British Columbia's Wildland Fire Strategy
Judi Beck, Manager Fire Management, Ministry of Forests & Range |
| 4:50pm | Review of agenda for Day 2 |
| 5:00pm | Adjourn - Poster Take Down |

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| 6:00-8:00pm | Social Event at the Royal BC Museum: Natural History Museum
Beverages and appetizers will be available
Guest speaker: Richard Hebda "Ancient Fire - Climate Regimes"
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Day 2: February 18, 2009: 8:30am-4:30pm

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| 8:30am | Welcome |
| 8:35am | Presentation Topic: Social, Economic, Ecological Impacts of Climate Change: Mountain Pine Beetle - A Case Study
Ray Schultz, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Community Development |
| 9:35am | Open Space - This is an opportunity for all participants to provide input into the completion of a statement such as:

"In order to advance operational wildfire management in light of predicted climate change (i.e., next 20 years), from a research perspective, it is critical that we . . ." |
| 10:15am | Break |
| 10:30am | Open Space - Following the generation of the ideas from the statement completion exercise, we will develop a list of 10-12 themes that will form the back bone of our discussions for the remainder of the forum. |
| 11:30pm | Lunch |
| 12:30pm | Challenge Wall Activity – Gap identification for each identified theme |
| 1:30pm | Consolidation and Priority Setting
Working in smaller groups by theme, each group will analyze the information, consolidate the gaps and develop a recommended set of research priorities to be reviewed by the larger group as part of the Science Fair. |
| 2:15pm | Break |
| 2:30pm | Consolidation and Priority Setting (continued) – as above |
| 3:15pm | Preparation for the "Science Fair"
Each of the small groups will summarize the key priorities to be presented and discussed in a "Science Fair" (or Trade Show) format. |
| 4:30pm | Adjourn |

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Day 3: February 19, 2009: 8:30am-12:00pm

- 8:30am Review of Agenda
- 8:35am Start of the “Science Fair” – One Line Advertisements
To kick off the “Science Fair”, each of the teams will provide a short advertisement about their “science project” that highlights their topic and entices participants to visit their booth.
- 9:30am “Science Fair” - Part 1
An open-air, moderately structured event where participants are free to visit each booth and provide feedback on each of the “science projects”.
- 10:30am Break
- 10:45am “Science Fair” - Part 2
- 11:15am Closing Activities
Prioritization: Having seen all of the science projects, each participant will have the opportunity to vote for those projects that they feel are most important.
- Forum Evaluation: This exercise will be followed with a short discussion of next steps and an evaluation of the conference.
- 12:00pm Adjourn



Key Focus Areas

Operational / Applied
Short- to medium-term
Practical tools
Planning application



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