



The 2020 APB Annual Professional Biology Conference and AGM

April 28-29, Nita Lake Lodge, Whistler, BC.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Theme: Professional Biology (un)Tangled

Supporting Biology Professionals to Lead in Applied Research and Resource Management in British Columbia

Tangled in conflicting policies and politics, competitive work environments, public opinion, mistrust of science, misconceptions about our profession, ethical commitments, and new professional governance legislation, we must forge a path to practice applied biology in a scientific way. How can we support biology professionals to lead in applied research so that we can effectively manage natural resources in British Columbia?

The APB is seeking abstracts for speakers wishing to attend our 2020 conference and AGM. The topic of your presentation should aim to address some aspect of applied biology or resource management. The goal of your talk should integrate some aspect of professional conflict or challenge, resolved or unresolved, that ties into the theme and title of the conference. It is our hope that this will allow for the integration of each talk into a broader level of engagement and discussion with the audience on the theme we have selected.

Who should attend: The APB annual conference attracts Biology Professionals, natural resources managers, researchers, industry representatives, First Nations, not-for-profit organizations, naturalists and biology students across western Canada. If the mission of the APB (listed below) catches your interest, then this conference is for you!

- *As biologists, we recognize the value of resilience and other services that ecosystems provide as a vital part of the economic and social well-being of society.*
- *Of great importance to our mission is the advancement of science in policies, decisions, and execution of projects that affect natural resources, species, organisms, and ecosystems in our areas of practice.*
- *Our mission is to communicate and advocate on issues and values that are important to practitioners of biology and foster a public understanding of impacts of human and other activities on natural resources.*
- *The APB is here to support our members in this mission.*

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS:

We are welcoming abstracts from now until March 20, 2020.

Abstracts Guidelines: Abstracts should be no more than 500 words and can be submitted via e-mail to info@professionalbiology.com. **Please email with the subject line: “APB Conference 2020 Abstract Submission”.** Please provide your name, contact information and affiliation.

Presentation Guidelines: Final Presentations should be formatted in MS Power Point 2010 or higher and be no longer than 20 minutes. Presentations which can be available for distribution (as PDF’s) as part of conference proceedings will be given preference over those with proprietary restrictions. The deadline for all submissions is March 20, 2020. Late submissions will only be considered if any spaces remain or there are cancellations.

Adjudication Process: As there are a limited number of plenary slots available the APB conference committee will be adjudicating presentation abstracts themes based on relevance to the conference theme and currency of subject matter and topic. This year’s conference is only one day, so competition will be tight.

For further information on the 2020 APB Annual Professional Biology Conference and AGM please visit our conference webpage

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