CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS
Deadline: Abstracts must be received by July 1, 2004

Association of Pacific Coast Geographers
Annual Meeting, September 8-11, 2004
Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo

Submitting Papers & Posters

If you plan to present a paper or poster, please submit an abstract of 100-200 words by July 1, 2004. Papers are scheduled for 15-minute presentations with 5 minutes for questions. Posters are restricted to 4'x 6' in size. All presenters must be current APCG members and pay meeting registration fees. If you are not a current member, your will add your membership fee to the cost of registration.

Preparing the Abstract

In the header of the abstract include the name, affiliation, and e-mail address of each presenter and the title of the paper. Skip a line and type the body of the abstract. **See example below.** After the abstract, indicate if submission is a "paper" or "poster" and if it is a "student competition" entry. If you are willing to chair a session, please indicate it on a separate line.

Digital projectors compatible with standard formats will be available. You should make arrangements to bring/borrow a laptop computer if needed. Please familiarize yourself with all hardware and software before presenting. You are strongly encouraged to bring backups and hard copies (transparencies) for all digital media. Standard overhead and slide projectors will also be available.

Special Organized Sessions

If you wish to organize a special session, please have all abstracts emailed directly to you. Then, forward a single e-mail packet by July 1, 2004.

Student Paper or Poster Competition, Student Travel Grants

Each year the APCG offers certificates and monetary awards in several categories to outstanding student papers and posters presented at the annual meeting. To enter the student paper or poster competition, students must complete the following steps.

1) Submit the regular 100-200-word abstract as described above to Jim Keese at jkeese@calpoly.edu by July 1, 2004
2) Submit a *student paper and poster competition application form* AND a 4-6 page (double-spaced) *extended abstract* to Dennis Dingemans at djdingemans@ucdavis.edu by August 1, 2004. (Prof. Dingemans, UCD Sproul Social Sciences, Davis, CA, 95616 if you don't have e-mail)
3) Register for the conference and be a member of the APCG.

The paper or poster must be presented at the annual meeting. Papers may be co-authored if all authors are students. Evaluation is made by the APCG Awards Committee based on the extended abstract and the presentation. Student presenters may apply for a travel grant by July 1, 2004.

Information on the student competition and travel grants, and the application forms, are available on the APCG web-site http://www.csus.edu/apcg/. Click on the Grants link. For more information on the paper competition and travel grants contact Dennis Dingemans at djdingemans@ucdavis.edu.

Where to Send Abstracts

Please send abstracts via e-mail, preferably as an attachment as a *Word* file, or pasted directly into the e-mail, and use the subject "APCG Abstract." If you do not have access to e-mail, send the abstract on a PC-compatible disk and a paper copy to Jim Keese, APCG 2004, P.O. Box 12227, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406. Label the disk and file with your name.

For more information about papers & posters contact Jim Keese at jkeese@calpoly.edu or 805-756-1170. For updated meeting information, go to the Conferences and Grants links on the APCG website http://www.csus.edu/apcg/.

Sample Abstract

Keith S. Hadley, Portland State University hadley@pdx.edu and **Karen B. Arabas**, Willamette University karabas@willamette.edu. **Forest Structure and Succession Across a Naturally Fragmented Landscape in Central Oregon.**

This study examines spatial patterns of forest structure and post-fire succession on 11 natural forest isolates (.3 to 83 ha) in central Oregon. Our objective was to determine how stand composition and structure vary at different spatial scales in response to topographic conditions, area, isolation, and disturbance. To meet these objectives, we focused our analyses on stand structure comparisons and stand distributions within and among the isolates. Our results indicate a complex interaction of multi-scale processes are involved in stand development. Whereas autogenic models of succession, e.g., facilitation, tolerance, and inhibition, and accelerated succession appear to explain current stand compositions and structures, these processes are spatially constrained by topographic conditions and isolate area and isolation. We conclude that stand development and succession are spatially discreet processes forged by the spatial and physical constraints of the surrounding landscape. "paper"

Keith is available to Chair a session.