



MAN O MIN WATERSHED CONFERENCE

November 20 - 22, 2003
Rainy River Community College
International Falls, Minnesota

AGENDA

Day 1:

Thursday, November 20, 2003:

Gymnasium

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| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 am. | Registration |
| 8:00 a.m. | Coffee served |
| 9:00 a.m. | Welcome & Introduction
<i>Gymnasium:</i> Plenary Session
Co-Chairs: Chief Al Hunter & Provost Tom Weegar

Opening Prayer
Elder: Elder Ann Wilson, Rainy River First Nations |
| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. | Keynote Address: Light at the Edge of the World: A Journey through the Realm of Vanishing Cultures <ul style="list-style-type: none">Wade Davis, Ethno botanist and Explorer-in-Residence at the National Geographic Society |
| 10:30 - 10:45 a.m. | Break |
| 10:45 - 12:00 noon | The Rainy River Basin Water Resources Centre: Where do We Go from Here? <ul style="list-style-type: none">Don & Wendy Graves, Rainy River Community CollegeNolan Baratono, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency |
| Noon | Complimentary Lunch |
| 1:00 – 2:15 p.m. | Concurrent Sessions

<i>Session One:</i> Rainy River Contaminants
<i>Gymnasium</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Donna Mergler, University of Québec, MontréalJean Carreau, University of Quebec, Montreal
<i>Session Two:</i> Seeing the Forest Among the Trees: Sustainable Forestry needs Sustainable Forests
<i>Theatre</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Herb Hammond, Silva Foundation |

Concurrent Sessions

2:15 – 3:30 p.m.

- Session One:** Mercury in Northern Minnesota Lakes: Sources, Accumulation in Aquatic Organism
Gymnasium
- James Wiener, Wisconsin Distinguished Professor, University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse

- Session Two:** Aboriginal Participation in Forest Management in Canada
Theatre
- Harry Bombay, National Aboriginal Forestry Association

3:30 – 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Plenary Session: Wrap Up
Co-Chairs: Chief Al Hunter & Provost Tom Weegar
Gymnasium

Evening Session

5:15 – 7:30 p.m.

Networking Dinner at the Holiday Inn, International Falls
Dinner Presentation: Herb Hammond, Silva Foundation

Day 2:

Friday November 21, 2003

Gymnasium

9:00 a.m.

Welcome/Opening
Chairperson: Anne Wilson & Martin Nantel, Rainy River First Nations
Review of Day I

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Traditional Knowledge & Science

- Mike Anderson, Research Director, Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.

Break

Concurrent Sessions

10:45 – 12:00 Noon

- Session One:** Moccasin Trails: Paths towards Creating Community-Based Environmental Capacity: Elders Circle
- Facilitator: Chief Al Hunter
 - Elder Ann Wilson, Rainy River First Nations
 - Elder Sam Gibbons, North West Angle #33 First Nation
- Gymnasium*

Session Two: TBC
Theatre

12:00 Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Complimentary Lunch

Concurrent Sessions

Saturday November 22, 2003

Gymnasium

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome/Opening
Co-Chairs: Chief Al Hunter & Provost Tom Weegar
Review of Day 2
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Global Warming and the Future of Minnesota’s Forests
- John Pastor, Natural Resources Research Institute, University of Minnesota in Duluth
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break
- Concurrent Sessions*
- 10:45 – 12:45 a.m. Workshop: Sharing a Common Vision: Stewardship Planning Initiatives in the Rainy River Basin
Gymnasium
- Martin Nantel, Rainy River First Nations
 - Wayne Wysocki, Symbion Consultants
 - Nolan Baratono, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Session One: Linking Landscape Ecology and Stream Fish Ecology: Implications for Protecting Biological Integrity
Theatre
- Isaac Schlosser, University of North Dakota
- 11:45 – 12:45 Session Two: TBC
Theatre
- TBC
- 12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Complimentary Lunch & Tour Exhibits
- Concurrent Sessions*
- 1:45 – 2:15 p.m. Session One: Cultural Thoughts on Environment
Gymnasium
- Elder Ann Wilson, Rainy River First Nations
- Session Two: A Natural History of the Rainy River Basin
Theatre
- Rob Foster, Northern Bioscience
- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Session One: Forestry Practices on Patent Land in the Rainy River District
Gymnasium
- Eric Kaufman, Abitibi Consolidated Company of Canada
- 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. Session Two: Manomin
Theatre
- Elder Sam Gibbons, North West Angle #33 First Nation
- 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Session Three: Monitoring Wetlands Vegetation on Rainy and Namakan Lakes

Theatre

- Allan Harris, Northern Bioscience

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Break

Plenary Session

Gymnasium

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Conference Closing Ceremonies