



Call for Abstracts | Registration Open! NW PARC/APB Joint Virtual Meeting

6-8 May 2021

Amphibians and Reptiles: Stressors, Threats, and Solutions

Amphibians and reptiles face a wide array of threats and stressors in the fast-paced, resource-hungry, increasingly crowded 21st century. What are these threats and how do they play out across public, private, and urban lands in the Pacific Northwest of the U.S. and Canada and beyond? How can we prevent, address, and mitigate these threats?

Northwest PARC (Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation, NW PARC) and the Association of Professional Biology (APB) will hold a joint virtual meeting **6–8 May 2021**.

Interested speakers are invited to submit abstracts on topics related to the theme *Amphibians and Reptiles: Stressors, Threats, and Solutions*.

Abstracts are due Monday 26 April 2021.

Sessions will address the following topics:

Climate Change
Effects of Fire on Wildlife and Herpetofauna
Disease and Biosecurity
Habitat Loss and Roads
Solutions

Other topics relating to amphibians and reptiles (e.g., wildlife trade, pollution)

Papers on topics related to the theme that don't fit the main categories are welcome.

Topical sessions will run all day Friday and Saturday, 7–8 May, with premeeting activities including a social open to all participants the evening of Thursday 6 May.

Who is invited?— NWPARC is a group of like-minded citizens, professionals, and organizations dedicated to the conservation of herpetofauna—reptiles and amphibians—and their habitats. NWPARC's region includes Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and parts of North Dakota, South Dakota and California in the United States, as well as British Columbia, Alberta, and the Yukon Territories in Canada. The APB annual conference attracts speakers to speak on matters of interest to Biology Professionals in support of their mission "...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".

Details:

We offer 12–15-minute and 5-minute time slots for presentations. The shorter 5-minute time-slots are ideal for those who have information that they would like to share, but not enough information for a 15 minute slot; have updates on new tools; or would like to demonstrate practices in the field. For the 5-minute slots, you may submit an Ignite-style slide talk, a poster with author available for summary and Q&A, or a short video.

Live presentations are strongly encouraged, but assistance will be provided if you wish to prerecord your talk. If you choose to pre-record, you must still be present during your assigned session to answer questions.

Abstract deadline: Monday 26 April 2021

Presentation deadline: Monday 1 May 2021

The <u>submission form and abstract and presentation guidelines</u> can be downloaded from <u>http://www.nwparc.org/meetings-events</u>. Please also download the <u>ARC/PARC Recording</u> License Agreement.

Submit abstracts for presentations to northwestparc@gmail.com with "APB/NWPARC Conference 2021 Abstract Submission" in the subject line.

TO REGISTER: Click on the link to register for the meeting on the APB website: https://professionalbiology.com/cpd/conference.

Registration is open now for both speakers and anyone who wishes to attend the virtual meeting. You will need to create a user account to register, but user accounts for non-members will be purged when the meeting is past. You are not required to become a member of either APB or NW PARC to register.

Registration discounts are available for students and members of APB and NW PARC. Registration fees increase after the Early Registration deadline.

Early registration (discount!) deadline: Friday 30 April 2021.

The meeting schedule will be posted on http://www.nwparc.org/meetings-events as the sessions take shape.