



CALL FOR PAPERS: Open until October 19, 2007  
**Fire in the Southwest: Integrating Fire into  
Management of Changing Ecosystems**  
January 28 – 31, 2008.  
Holiday Inn, Tucson Airport, North. Tucson, Arizona

Conference website: [www.humboldt.edu/swfire](http://www.humboldt.edu/swfire)

The Association for Fire Ecology, in association with Humboldt State University, announces a call for papers for the conference, "Fire in the Southwest: Integrating Fire into Management of Changing Ecosystems". **The Call for Papers is open until October 19, 2007.** Abstracts for papers and posters can be submitted online through the conference website. The editorial board of the peer-reviewed on-line journal, "Fire Ecology," will request selected presenters to submit papers for publication.

Recent and predicted changes in climate, fuels, and fire behavior are yielding unique management problems with few obvious solutions. This conference will provide a timely forum for the exchange of science information on the ecology and management of fire adapted and affected ecosystems in the southwestern United States and northern Mexico, in a time of changing climate. The ecosystems of interest include forests, pinyon-juniper woodlands, interior chaparral, and desert and semi-arid shrublands and grasslands.

The opening plenary session will address "Southwest Ecosystems and Fire" and the closing plenary, "Implications of Climate Change for Future Fire Management." Concurrent sessions of invited and contributed papers will cover a broad range of topics related to the conference theme. Possible contributed session topics include:

-  Fire and Ecological Restoration
-  Fire and Wildlife
-  Fire, Insects and Pathology
-  Fuel Management/Landscape Decision Processes
-  Invasive Plants and Fire
-  Fire, Watershed and Soils/Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation
-  Fire Behavior and Characteristics
-  Fire Ecology and Effects
-  Fire Regimes/Fire History
-  Social Issues and Fire Management Implications
-  Wildland Fire Use/Appropriate Management Response
-  Lessons Learned from Large Southwest Fires

Other events include field trips, a poster session, the annual meeting of the Association for Fire Ecology, and the AFE banquet, including a banquet speaker and the presentation of awards, and the annual meeting and an evening social for the Student Association for Fire Ecology.



You can obtain further information from the conference web site, or by contacting:

Dr. Andi Thode, [andi.thode@nau.edu](mailto:andi.thode@nau.edu), (928) 523-5457, for information about the program;

Dr. Carl Hansen, [hansen@humboldt.edu](mailto:hansen@humboldt.edu), (707) 826-3731, for assistance with abstract submission, the web site, or conference logistics;

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