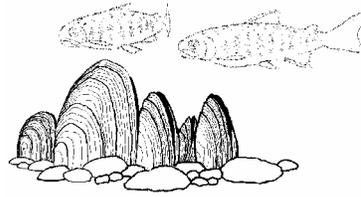


## Pacific Northwest Native Freshwater Mussel Workgroup



February 1, 2005  
Minutes

2005 Symposium Committee Conference Call  
February 1, 2005 1:00--2:30 pm

**Attendees and Purpose:** Jen Stone, Kevin Aitkin, Molly Hallock and Al Smith. The purpose of the conference call was to continue planning for the Symposium and review the draft Symposium announcement flyer.

**Flyer:** The location and correct name of The Evergreen State College will be added to the flyer as well as a contact name and phone number (Kevin). The flyer will go out to the Workgroup listserv, Oregon AFS, OSU and U of I. It will also be on the Workgroup website. Workgroup members will also be expected to distribute the flyer.

**Program:** Jen said that Mark Hove from the University of Minnesota will lead the aging and techniques session at the Symposium. Nancy Duncan was unable to participate in the conference call but earlier passed on to Jen that Jeanette Howard (U. of California, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation) and Kurt Welke (Wisconsin DNR) would be co-presenters for the ecological function and outreach session. Kevin will contact Nancy to see if Jeanette can do Northwest mussel genera ID as part of her talk. Al reported that Ethan Nedeau, whom we hoped would do the sampling session, will not be able to participate because of another commitment. Al and Jen advertised on Unio for session speakers and so far one person has responded. Ethan suggested two people to replace him and Al will contact them.

**Logistics:** Jen said that online Symposium registration will be available on the website, hopefully by February 8, and that she will email us when that happens so we can test the system. There will be a blinking registration button on the website and the program will count and report the number of registrants. Jen said she will ask the webmaster to have the program let people from 91 on know that they will be on a waiting list. A map to Evergreen College will also be on the website. Molly will get an electronic map to Jen. Molly found out that Workgroup members will be able to get into the room at 7:00 am to setup. The lunch situation is not yet clear so Molly will contact Evergreen about lunch and getting us officially signed up for the rooms. Molly will also contact Rob Plotinkoff about motel reservations for speakers and about the status of Lee Hastings, the keynote speaker. She will also contact John Fleckenstein about handling the poster session with Rob.