
ASSOCIATION OF POWER BIOLOGISTS



2010 Conference Announcement **September 29th – October 1st, Mt Vernon, Washington**

51st Association of Power Biologists Annual Conference

Dear APB Members,

Plans are moving along for the Association of Power Biologists 51st Annual Conference. This year's host utility will be **Puget Sound Energy (PSE) in Mt. Vernon, Washington**. Attendees will gain experience from presentations made around the region from professionals engaged in aquatic and terrestrial research, mitigation, and compliance. Included with the conference, participants will get the opportunity to see the Baker River Hydro Electric Project. PSE received a new license for this project in October of 2008, and the utility is actively installing new facilities at the project.

Tentatively, the project tour will cover:

- the Floating Surface Collector (FSC) for collection of downstream salmon migrants out of Baker Lake;
- preliminary approach for a new FSC on the lower Baker reservoir;
- the recently completed adult trap and acclimation pond which should be in full operation for the 2010 sockeye adult migration;
- the new Baker Hatchery; and
- recently purchased lands for elk foraging habitat



Upper Baker Dam's new "Floating Surface Collector
Concrete, WA



Lower Baker Dam
Concrete, WA

The conference is scheduled for September 29th – October 1st, 2010 in Mt. Vernon, Washington. On September 29th, the APB Opening Night Social shall begin at 6:30 pm and will be located at River Side Lanes in Mt. Vernon. On September 30th, the 2010 Conference tours will commence for the Baker River Hydro Electric Project. Following the tours, the APB dinner will be catered at a location to be determined.

If you would like to be a presenter at the 2010 workshop, start thinking about topics or papers to present. Our first call for papers will be May 3, 2010. With New FERC Licenses, Biological Opinions and Habitat Conservation Plans being issued, we all have a lot of projects/programs to implement and we encourage you to share your thoughts, progress, and approaches to these new challenges we're all facing. New members are encouraged to apply and are welcome to attend the 2010 Conference. An application and membership requirements are appended to this announcement. New applications can be mailed to Dennis Schwartz, APB Secretary (P.O. Box 2946 [CENWP-PM-E] Portland, OR 97208-2946).

Lodging



Best Western CottonTree Inn
2300 Market Street,
Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273-5449,
Phone: 360/428-5678
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Best Western Cotton Tree Inn is holding a limited number of rooms for the Association of Power Biologists September 29 and 30, 2010 at the discounted rates of \$84.00 plus tax. **Please call no later than September 15th to guarantee your room with credit card information.** Be sure to ask for the Association of Power Biologists group discount.

Nestled in the heart of western Washington's Skagit Valley, the Best Western Cotton Tree Inn is the ideal lodging for both business and leisure travelers. This full-service Mount Vernon area hotel boasts oversized well-appointed guest rooms, each featuring cable satellite television with HBO® and free wireless high-speed Internet access. Start each morning off with a complimentary full hot breakfast buffet before working out at the health club, located adjacent to the property, or relaxing in the outdoor seasonally heated swimming pool. Enjoy an array of other hotel amenities including in-room massage, business center and meeting/banquet facilities accommodating up to 400 guests. Dogs are welcome no charge.

Complimentary amenities:

- Complimentary full breakfast includes scrambled eggs, sausage or bacon, biscuits and gravy, waffles, fruit, muffins, yogurt, hot and cold cereals and much more.
- 100% smoke-free hotel.
- Outdoor heated pool open to guests of all ages and indoor pool located in the adjacent health club.

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We look forward to seeing you in September!

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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS

APB members are encouraged to apprise other professional utility biologists of the role and function of APB which is reflected in the following four basic principles of the Association's Constitution:

1. To render maximum service to the power production and distribution industry through the application and practice of fish and wildlife science in accordance with the highest biological principles.
2. To encourage the employment of qualified practicing biologists with power companies.
3. To assemble and disseminate information of value to the membership.
4. To promote understanding and cooperation between fish and wildlife agencies and power producers.

Pursuant to Section II of the Constitution, persons interested in becoming members of APB must then meet the requirements as stated below:

1. Any person gainfully employed by an industry engaged in the active production and/or distribution of electricity.
2. Holding at least a Bachelors of Science Degree in a recognized discipline of the biological sciences.
3. Actively working on the solution of biological problems or the study of biological factors that are or may be affected by an existing or proposed industry facility.
4. Have been employed in the utility industry for not less than two years or have attended two meetings.
5. Prospective member must be in attendance at the annual meeting in which proposed for membership.

An APB member in good standing must sponsor prospective members who either meet the above qualifications or wish to attend a meeting as a guest. The sponsor must complete the attached application form and submit it to any APB Officer prior to the annual meeting.

Questions may be directed to any APB Officer.

REQUEST FOR ATTENDANCE AT APB MEETING BY NON-MEMBER

- I. _____ Recommended for Membership
_____ Recommended for Membership Candidate
_____ Request for invitation as guest

II. Request to attend:

- _____ Opening session only (Wednesday)
_____ All sessions including tour

III. Information on non-member

Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Title: _____

How long with organization? _____

Present responsibilities and project:

Educational History:

Title of presentation (if appropriate):

IV. Name of Sponsoring APB Member:
