**27th Idaho Rare Plant Conference Agenda – February 10-11, 2016**

**Location: Washington Group Plaza, 720 Park Blvd., Boise, Idaho**

**Wednesday – February 10**

8:30-8:55 – Registration, Check-in, and Poster Set-up. Coffee/hot tea, light pastries and fruit will be provided.

9:00-9:10 – INPS president **Stephen Love** – Introducing conference vision, speakers and schedule, poster presentations

9:10-10:00 – Keynote speaker **Shannon Still** (UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden), Rare Plant Climate Modeling

10:00-10:15 – Break

10:15-10:45 – Agency Updates – USFWS, **Karen Colson**, Conservation in Action: How Recovery Planning Guides Conservation and Recovery of Idaho’s Rarest Plant Species

10:45-11:15 – Agency Updates – IDFG, **Lynn Kinter** and **Kristen Pekas**, Rare Plant Research by the Idaho Natural Heritage Program

11:15-11:30 – **Beth Corbin** (BLM), Rare Plant Ranking Introduction

11:30-12:00 – NIRPWG – Rare Plant Ranks

12:00-1:00 – Lunch on your own – Rooster's Eatery and Catering available in this building

1:00-3:15 – NIRPWG – Rare Plant Ranks (continued)

3:15-3:30 – Break

3:30-4:00 – Agency Updates–Latah Soil and Water Conservation District, **Brenda Erhardt**,Spalding’s Catchfly (*Silene Spaldingii*) Recovery Efforts On The Palouse

4:00-5:00 – NIRPWG Pollinator Panel:

Moderator TBD, **Kristen Pekas** (IDFG Plant Research Ecologist), **Angela Sondenaa, PhD** (Nez Perce Tribe Ecologist), **LeAnn Abell** ( BLM Coeur d’Alene District Botanist), **Derek Antonelli** (Idaho Master Naturalist, IDFG Biologist)

6:00 – **Hosted Italian buffet dinner** at the Stonehouse, located at 709 E. Park Blvd next to the RAM and across the street from the conference. Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase.

**Thursday – February 11**

8:00-8:25 – Registration and Check-in. Coffee/hot tea, light pastries and fruit will be provided.

8:30-8:45 – Opening remarks, Anne Halford (BLM)

8:45-9:00 – Poster Presentation Q&A (moderator **Beth Colket** and poster presenters **Lynn Kinter, Janice Hill,** and **Mckayla Stevens**)

9:00-10:00 – Packard's Milk-Vetch Panel — Partnership-Based Conservation and Habitat Restoration: Moderator **Anne Halford** (BLM State Botanist), Kari or Michael **Young** (IDFG), **Tom McGinnis** (BLM Four Rivers F.O. Ecologist), **Matt McCoy** (BLM Four Rivers F.O. Asst. Manager), **Karen Colson** (FWS Botanist), **Michael Mancuso** (Botanical Consultant)

10:00-10:15 – Break

10:15-10:30 – To the Point Presentation, USFWS, **Barbara Schmidt**, Recent Conservation Projects for *Lepidium Papilliferum* (Slickspot Peppergrass)

10:30-11:00 – Oral Presentation – **Barbara Ertter** (University and Jepson Herbaria), A Taxonomic Overhaul of *Abronia* in the Interior Pacific Northwest

11:00-12:00 – SWIRWG – Rare Plant Ranks

12:00-1:00 – Lunch on your own – Rooster's Eatery and Catering available in this building

1:00-2:00 – SWIRWG – Rare Plant Ranks (continued)

2:00-2:15 – **Beth Colket** (POWER Engineers), Recommendations to agencies

2:15-2:45 – Oral Presentation – **Rose Lehman** (Caribou-Targhee National Forest), Monarch Butterflies on the Curlew National Grassland

2:45-3:00 – Break

3:00-3:15 – To the Point Presentation – **Lauren Studley**, Idaho’s Carnivorous Plants: Idaho’s Flesh-Eating Forbs

3:15-3:45 – Oral Presentation – **Barbara Ertter** (University and Jepson Herbaria), Types and Nomenclature: A Quick Primer

3:45 – 4:00 – INPS President **Steve Love**, Closing remarks

6:00 – **No Host dinner at Reef**, located at 105 S 6th Street in downtown Boise