

5th International *Martes* Symposium September 8–12, 2009 University of Washington, Seattle

The *Martes* Working Group is pleased to announce that the 5th International *Martes* Symposium will be held at the University of Washington in Seattle during the week of September 8-12, 2009. The theme of this symposium will be: "Biology and Management of Martens and Fishers: a New Synthesis". One of the objectives of this gathering will be to update review or synthesis topics that were featured in the 1st *Martes* Symposium book in 1994, and in some subsequent proceedings. Topics covered previously include evolutionary history, phylogenetic relationships, distribution and status, population structure and spacing, remote detection and population monitoring, reproductive biology, habitat ecology, food habits, and translocations. Recent developments in our field will likely necessitate additional review chapters on the use of genetic data in *Martes* research and conservation, relations with snow and the potential effects of global warming, and probably others.

We have developed a brief survey that will help us estimate the number of people who will participate in each of the major events at the symposium. We ask that you navigate to this website

$(http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=1yolTGfXw13DNJtegeJwlw_3d_3d)$

and answer several multiple-choice questions about your potential attendance at the 5^{th} International Martes Symposium.

For more information about the Symposium visit:

http://uwacadweb.uwyo.edu/buskirk/martes5/

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