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A tale of two populations: Why are fishers in the Peace different from 200 km away?

Guest Presenter: Rich Weir

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Presentation Summary:

Known to have among the fastest burst speed of any land mammal in North America and an unequaled ability to prey on porcupines, fishers are a housecat-sized carnivore that live around us in the forests of central and northern BC. Fishers are one of the rarest mammals in the Peace and Williston regions, but they play a key role in low-elevation forests throughout these areas. Come hear Rich Weir talk about this fascinating species and learn about what is being done in the Peace and Williston regions to conserve this vital part of our forested ecosystems.

Rich Weir is the Carnivore Conservation Specialist for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy in Victoria. Fascinated with 'all the little killers' since an undergraduate student, Rich has done field studies on fishers across BC over the past 30 years and is a leading expert on the species.

All are welcome to attend. No registration required.

The Natural Resources & Environmental Studies Institute at UNBC, together with its partners, invite those with interest in learning more about fisher, the role they play in our forested ecosystems and what is being done to conserve this species. to attend this presentation and discussion.

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