



DON DAHLSTEN MEMORIAL FUND

INVITATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT TO STUDENTS

The California Forest Pest Council is inviting students to attend its Annual Meeting November 15-16, 2011 at the Wildland Fire Training and Conference Center, McClellan, CA

To encourage participation, the Council is providing grants of up to \$375 to students who display a poster or present a talk at the meeting.

- ❖ The poster or talk should describe a project or research for which the student is a primary participant.
- ❖ The project should broadly relate to some aspect of forest health, such as forest insects and disease, animal damage, competing vegetation, abiotic effects such as pollution and climate, etc.
- ❖ Posters should be constructed so they can be attached directly to a wall and should be available for both days of the meeting. Poster size can vary but should not exceed 4' x 6'.
- ❖ Talks are 15-20 minutes in duration and are presented either during the Insect or Disease Committee Meeting on November 16 or during the Symposium on November 16.
- ❖ Grant recipients receive either \$100 for education-related expenses or are reimbursed for travel and lodging costs to attend the meeting. Travel costs are reimbursed at the fixed rate of \$125 for each night of lodging expense, with a maximum award of \$375 for three nights' lodging. To receive the travel reimbursement, a receipt must be submitted that documents the number of nights of lodging expense incurred. Students who present a poster or talk are provided free registration to the meeting.
- ❖ The Forest Pest Council welcomes and encourages all students to attend its annual meeting at the reduced registration rate of \$25.

The deadline for applying for a grant is September 30. Applications based on a talk will be forwarded to the Program Committee and must be accepted by the Committee in order to qualify for a grant. A limited amount of funding is available, so it may not be possible to award grants to all applicants. Please apply early.

To apply for a grant, forward the following:

- Title and brief abstract of the presentation; indicate if poster or talk
- Your name and contact information
- The name and contact information of a faculty sponsor, the university/college you are attending, and degree you are working towards.
- Indicate if you are requesting an award for education-related expenses or for travel costs (specify the number of nights of lodging)

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