

## SUBMITTING AND PRESENTING A POSTER AT THE FORUM

Below you will find requirements and optional advice for presenting posters at the USDA INTERAGENCY RESEARCH FORUM ON INVASIVE SPECIES, January 12-15.

***If we do not receive your poster submission email by December 31, 2009, you won't be listed in the booklet.*** There may still be a spot to hang your poster if you bring it to the meeting, but that is not guaranteed. If you send your poster submission from a party on New Year's Eve, please be sure to use spell-check.

**1)** For your poster(s), send an email to [vdamico@fs.fed.us](mailto:vdamico@fs.fed.us) in the following format (or something similar):

Hi Vince,

POSTER SPACES: 1

TITLE:

Visitation rates to the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore and the introduction of *Lymantria dispar*.

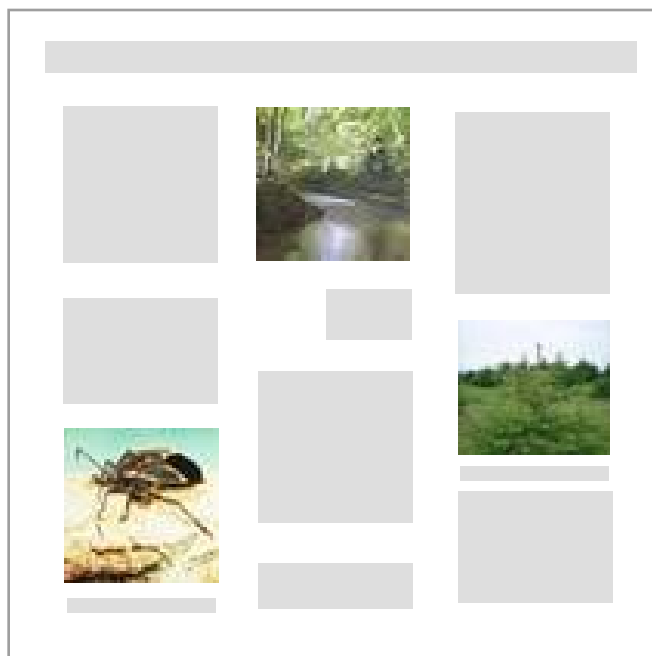
AUTHORS:

- 1) PC Tobin
- 2) A Diss-Torrance
- 3) LM Blackburn

Thanks,

Patrick

**2)** Create a poster that will fit within a four-by-four foot square (1.22 m x 1.22 m, 4 ft x 4 ft). ***If it's smaller, that's fine!***



\*If your poster must be larger than 4 ft x 4 ft, then request 2 spaces in the email as described above.

**3)** Bring your poster to the meeting and put it up with push pins or thumbtacks. Poster locations are on a first-come first-choose basis, so don't delay. Having your poster in a dark corner may not be as desirable as hanging it in a bright spot next to the bar.

### OPTIONAL ADVICE

Colorful images used as backgrounds for posters often obscure text, or at least make it harder to read. Avoid those types of backgrounds if possible.

Dark text on a light background is easier to read than light text on a dark background. This is especially true with printed materials as compared to digital projections.

Consider bringing letter-sized versions of your poster to give to interested persons.

Microsoft PowerPoint works fine to create posters, but Adobe Illustrator is far more powerful and allows more control over fonts and artwork. However, it has a steep learning curve and may not be available.

Contact Vince D'Amico ([vdamico@fs.fed.us](mailto:vdamico@fs.fed.us)) if you have any other questions.