Canadian Risk and Hazard Network
Knowledge and Practice

**CRHNet 10th Annual Symposium of Technical Programs** consisted of three days of talks, posters, demonstrations and organizational exhibits taking place in Regina, Saskatchewan. This is Canada’s pinnacle emergency management conference bringing practitioners and academics to showcase their experiences and accomplishments on a yearly basis.

Brandon University found itself predominantly in the spotlight with two of its Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies, faculty members speaking as well as a Student Researcher with the Rural Development Institute, Mr. Gregory Bartlett.

Prior to attending Brandon University Mr. Bartlett worked as the provincial wildfire prevention officer in the province of Saskatchewan. During his time working for the provincial government Mr. Bartlett found himself confronted with rural employment and natural hazard conflicts.

Mr. Bartlett was part of a panel presentation that included scholars from Colorado State University and members of the Saskatchewan Wildfire Management Branch. He co-presented his case study with the Wildfire Prevention and Education Coordinator for the province of Saskatchewan, Mr. Larry Fremont. With approximately two dozen people in attendance, the 40 minute presentation examined the experiences that Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Fremont had working on an incident where a mine site was threatened by wildfire.

Presentation highlights included recent examinations of North American examples where the conflict continues, academic theory where stakeholder management can be applied and lessons learned.

Mr. Bartlett also received one of the CRHNet student bursaries of excellence. This symposium was an excellent forum for networking in the public and private domains of emergency management in Canada, focusing on natural hazards.

The Rural Development Institute (RDI) prides itself on being the leading source of information on issues affecting rural communities in Western Canada and beyond. We promote the development of new community projects; shares findings, and nurtures new generations of rural researchers among students, community members and rural stakeholders.

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