



## LOICZ Announcement

**Subject: ASLO-NABS 2010 Meeting**  
**Global Changes from the Center to the Edge**  
**June 6-11, 2010**  
**Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA**

On June 6, 2010, aquatic scientists of many nationalities from two major scientific societies, ASLO & NABS, will rendezvous on Santa Fe, New Mexico to share and discuss their latest findings. The global water resources these scientists study face inordinate challenges. The year 2010 marks the 400th Commemoration of Santa Fe as a capital and cultural center. During these past four centuries, a limited supply of water has been a precious hydrological lifeline in this area of the US. The 2010 ASLO-NABS meeting's theme, *Global Changes from the Center to the Edge*, draws attention to the entirety of aquatic systems on which humans depend. Lakes and ponds have centers that respond to influences from the nearshore and the watershed, as do oceans. Science, too, has centers of scholarship and associated interdisciplinary activities. This meeting will explore these and other centers and edges, encompassing and embracing the entire hydrological cycle and drawing strength from the synergy to be found between the North American Benthological Society and the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography.

Bringing these two societies together in a joint meeting shines light on many types of connections, whether they be thematic or interdisciplinary. It is an efficient and effective means for both memberships to hear the latest scientific findings and results. The conference layout and schedule will fully integrate the best of the typical meetings of both societies, as well as offer a unique setting in Santa Fe. This marine science meeting will provide diverse opportunities for strong international interaction with emphasis on freshwater topics.

The Planning Committee invites proposals from all interested scientists in the aquatic sciences and leaders of major programs in this area for special sessions of interest to this joint conference. This meeting, emphasizing *Global Changes from the Center to the Edge*, is an important venue for scientific exchange across broad aquatic science disciplines, including physical, biological, chemical, and geological aspects, all branches of limnology, hydrology, and multidisciplinary topics ranging from evolution to climate change. We also welcome proposals for sessions on subjects that

reflect new and ongoing research on watersheds, water resources, and society, including science education, outreach, and public policy.

Proposals for special sessions are due 30 September 2009. Proposals should identify at least two co-chairs and include an informative session title and a short description of the session (see details below). Session presentations will be oral, poster, or both, to be determined by the Planning Committee after abstracts have been received. As a note, we strongly encourage proposals for 'poster-only' sessions. Poster sessions will be designed for maximum attendance and will not conflict with oral presentations. We are also looking at creative ways to allow electronic poster presentations.

#### Guidelines for Session Proposal Submissions:

At least two co-chairs that plan to attend the meeting are required. Session titles should be between 45 to 180 characters. Session descriptions should be limited to 200 words and should be broad enough to include all interested researchers, regardless of affiliation or funding sources.

#### Schedule:

Session proposals must be submitted online by 23:59 U.S. Central Daylight Time, 30 September, 2009. The Call for Abstracts will be issued Fall 2009. Abstracts will be due online 12 February 2010, when an abstract fee and registration for the conference will be required.

#### Oral Session Format:

Oral sessions will consist of 15-min talks. Invited presenters are required to submit an abstract and pay abstract and registration fees. Sessions will be scheduled by the Planning Committee after abstracts have been received.

#### Poster Session Format:

Posters will be approximately 4'x4' or 122cmx122cm. Posters will be grouped by topic for two hours at a time when no oral sessions are scheduled. Beverages and snacks will be available during poster sessions.

Please submit session proposals online at:

<http://www.aslo.org/forms/santafe2010.html>

Attendance is expected to be high, so please submit your session request early and encourage your colleagues to plan to present in your session. This meeting is a unique opportunity to reach members of NABS and ASLO in a wonderful location - one that truly understands water issues.

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