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Hummingbird Conference

HumConference 2003, 30 Jul – 3 Aug: The 5th biennial Hummingbird Research Group Conference will be held Wednesday evening, 30 Jul, through Saturday evening, 3 Aug, at the Audubon California Kern River Preserve in Weldon, CA. There will be banding sessions, workshops, demonstrations, and paper sessions. An NABC Hummingbird Banding Certification Session will immediately precede the conference (see below). For more information contact **Donald Mitchell (EM: dmitchel@pressenter.com; PH: 715-381-9685)**

North American Banding Council (NABC) Hummingbird Evaluation Sessions: 28-30 Jul 2003, Kern River Preserve, Weldon, CA. NABC evaluation sessions for hummingbird banders at both the Bander and Trainer levels will be held immediately prior to the 5th Hummingbird Conference (see above). The session is open to up to 12 candidates who are currently permitted (either master or sub-) to band hummingbirds.

Applications and additional information available **after 6 Mar** from Ruth Russell, 2850 N. Camino de Oeste, Tucson, AZ 85745, phone: 520-743-9707, e-mail: rrussell@dakotacom.net. For questions **prior to 6 Mar**, contact Susan Wethington, PO Box 1125, Patagonia, AZ 85745, phone: 520-394-2350, e-mail: swething@dakotacom.net.

There will be opportunity on 28 Jul prior to the start of the evaluation session for candidates to capture and band hummingbirds at the site to familiarize themselves with species new to them.