

Dear IPP Members,

As you know, we are in the process of searching to re-fill the 8th IPP Research Scientist position. Last week I received word that the IPP MFA grant has been renewed at a level that will continue to allow us to support 8 RS positions. The ad for this position closed at the end of February and council met three times in the last couple of weeks and has come up with a short-list of candidates for interview. They are:

David Asner—University of Pittsburgh—CLEO
Kevin Graham—Queen's University—SNO
Richard Teuscher—University of Chicago—ATLAS

We have a very hard time getting down to a short list with these three candidates. All three are Canadian. There is another group of 3 or 4 candidates who ranked nearly as highly as these three, in our deliberations. As these three have enthusiastically agreed to submit to the "IPP interview process" I have decided to stick with a short-list of three for now. I have asked them to visit as many of the IPP member institutions as possible in the next few weeks—with an eye to ensuring they have the opportunity to visit all of the potential host universities, but also to get them through before the 'end of term'. I hope to finalise the dates of the visits in the next day or two, but at this stage it looks like:

Asner: East (Apr 4-7), West (Apr 11-14)
Graham: East (various), West (Apr 4-8)
Teuscher: East (Apr 5-11), West (Apr 12-15)

I have arranged for the people listed below to coordinate the visits in the various cities. If you are nearby please feel free to contact them to get a more detailed visit schedule for each of the candidates.

Council hopes that as many of you as possible will be able to meet with the candidates as they come through and share your feedback with us before we make our final selection. If things go well we hope to conclude the search by the end of April.

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