School of Biological Sciences



Department of Ecology & Environmental Science Seminar Series

Special Seminar



Tuesday 26th May 2015

ARC Centre of Excellence for Environmental Decisions (CEED) School of Biosciences University of Melbourne

Managing the spread of invasive amphibians under uncertainty

12:00pm

ROOM G25, BENHAM BUILDING Conservation decisions are typically characterized by a high degree of uncertainty. For example, we may know little about the state of a system, how it will react to different management actions, or how cost-effective those actions might be. I will illustrate how various forms of epistemic uncertainty influence the management of invasive species using two amphibian case studies, one that focuses on monitoring European newts in Melbourne using environmental DNA sampling, and another that deals with efforts to contain the spread of cane toads in WA using landscape barriers.