

**March 30, 2005**

**Water focus of colloquium**

Michael Dombeck, Global Environmental Management (GEM) Pioneer Professor and UW System Fellow of Global Conservation and former chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, will present a College of Natural Resources (CNR)-Biology Colloquium at 4 p.m., Wednesday, April 6 at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

The presentation, "From the Forest of the Faucet: Water The Most Important Forest Product," will be held in CNR Room 170 and will be open to the public free of charge.

Dombeck holds a bachelor's degree in biology and general science and a master's degree in biology and education, both from UWSP. He went on to earn a master's degree in zoology from the University of Minnesota and a Ph.D. in fisheries biology from Iowa State University. From 1997 to 2001, Dombeck served as the chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, and in 2001 he received the Presidential Rank Distinguished Executive Award.

As GEM Pioneer Professor and UW System Fellow, Dombeck's writing, lecturing and presentations on current environmental and social issues continue to impact conservation practices. He focuses much of his time and energy on issues of watershed health and restoration, sustainable forest practices, and forest roads and roadless area protection.