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Background

Andrea Kortello RPBio is an Intermediate Ecologist with Poisson Consulting Ltd specializing in conservation ecology, data collection and technical writing. She has published 9 peer reviewed papers.

Education

2005	MSc. in Wildlife Resources	University of Idaho
1995	BA in Ecology	University of Calgary

Career

2022	Intermediate Ecologist	Poisson Consulting Grylloblatta
2012	Senior Wildlife Biologist	Ecological Consulting
2010	Resource Management and Public Safety Specialist	Parks Canada
2006	Environmental Assessment Scientist	Parks Canada
1998	Wildlife Biologist	Independent

Example Projects

Cutthroat Trout Population Monitoring in Grave and Harmer Creeks and the Upper Fording River (2021 - ongoing)

Report writing for analysis estimating abundance, growth, survival and body condition of Cutthroat Trout.

Wolverine Dens in the Kootenay Region (2019 - ongoing)

Study design, field work, data analysis and reporting to identify critical reproductive denning habitat for wolverine.

Wolverine Population Inventory in the Kootenay Region (2012 - 2019)

Study design, field work, data analysis, reporting and publication for large scale non-invasive wolverine inventory and distribution analysis.

Key Publications

1. Mowat, G., Clevenger, A. P., Kortello, A. D., Hausleitner, D., Barrueto, M., Smit, L., Lamb, C., DorsEy, B., & Ott, P. K. (2020). The Sustainability of Wolverine Trapping Mortality in Southern Canada. *The Journal of Wildlife Management*, 84(2), 213–226. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jwmg.21787>
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7. Knopff, K. H., Knopff, A. A., Kortello, A., & Boyce, M. S. (2010). Cougar Kill Rate and Prey Composition in a Multiprey System. *The Journal of Wildlife Management*, 74(7), 1435–1447. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1937-2817.2010.tb01270.x>
8. Pritchard, G., Harder, L. D., Kortello, A., & Krishnaraj, R. (2000). The response of larval growth rate to temperature in three species of coenagrionid dragonflies with some comments on *Lestes disjunctus* (Odonata: Coenagrionidae, Lestidae). *International Journal of Odonatology*, 3(2), 105–110. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13887890.2000.9748141>
9. Pritchard, G., & Kortello, A. (1997). Roosting, perching, and habitat selection in *Argia vivida* hagen and *Amphiargion abbreviatum* (selys) (Odonata: Coenagrionidae), two damselflies inhabiting geothermal springs. *The Canadian Entomologist*, 129(4), 733–743. <https://doi.org/10.4039/Ent129733-4>