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CONSERVATION SPEAKER AT WESTERN

St. Joseph, Mo. —Oct. 5, 2006—Steve Nichols, law enforcement supervisor for the NW Regional Office of the Missouri Department of Conservation, will give a presentation at Western at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 19 in Agenstein Hall, room 205. His topic is “The World Caviar Market and Missouri Paddlefish: An Example of How Illegal Trade in Wildlife Can Impact our Local Missouri Natural Resources.” It is free and open to the community.

Nichols has extensive experience in protecting natural resources. His talk will focus on the illegal trade in fish eggs passed off as legitimate caviar, and how this worldwide endeavor impacts the fish resources in Missouri. He will explain how the perpetrators are caught and brought to justice.

Nichols’ presentation is hosted by Western’s biology department and the student chapter of the wildlife society and is part of the department’s Wildlife Conservation and Management Seminar Series.

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Missouri Western State University is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The university offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.

