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Fwd: Alaska Moth List - Final!

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Derek Sikes <dssikes@alaska.edu>

Tue, Apr 24, 2012 at 9:26 AM

To: Matthew Bowser <matthewnkim@gmail.com>

Matt,

We're closing in on the final moth list. One name in your Arctos data needs editing (either to *Acronicta* sp. or *A. menyanthidis* as you see fit).

-Derek

Acronicta impressa -1 KNWR det Ferris, 1 Landolt et al.

<http://arctos.database.museum/guid/KNWR:Ento:6796>

In the checklist Ferris wrote: "*Acronicta menyanthidis* has previously been misidentified as *Acronicta impressa* Wik." all *Acronicta impressa* from Alaska is most likely *A. menyanthidis* and there are no verified records of the former species from Alaska...

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From: **Clifford D. Ferris** <cdferris@bresnan.net>

Date: Tue, Apr 24, 2012 at 8:45 AM

Subject: Re: Alaska Moth List - Final!

To: Derek Sikes <dssikes@alaska.edu>

Derek,

I thought that the *A. impressa* issue had been resolved. The specimen that I identified as *A. impressa* was based on the extruded genitalia. I did not dissect the specimen. Based on the recent work by Lafontaine, Anweiler and Schmidt it is *A. menyanthidis*. To date, there are no valid AK records for *impressa*. At the time I made the ID, *menyanthidis* was not recognized from North America. It has a slightly different FW shape from *impressa*.

Cliff

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