

Technical *Sphagnum* Identification Workshop

June 16th – 17th, 2009

Dr. Richard Andrus, expert in *Sphagnum* mosses from Binghamton University in New York, will lead a Technical *Sphagnum* Identification Workshop in the Ouray – Silverton fen corridor. We will study various *Sphagnum* specimens under the microscope in Silverton Tuesday morning and spend the rest of the time in fens between Silverton and Ouray. Dr. Andrus will present information on *Sphagnum* identification, ecology, and rare species of Colorado. Hosted by Mountain Studies Institute (MSI) and co-sponsored by the Colorado Native Plant Society and the USDA Forest Service. Cost: \$90 (includes snacks on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings). Workshop is limited to 13 people.

Camping and showers are available at the old Outward Bound camp near Silverton for \$8/night. There is a block of rooms (\$89/night) booked at the Teller House in Silverton (800-342-4338) for Monday, June 15th. We will be staying in Ouray on June 16th – 17th.

Additional information on Silverton hotels is available on the MSI website

<http://www.mountainstudies.org/> (field station, lodging). Ouray hotels may be found at <http://www.ouraycolorado.com/>. Contact Gay Austin at gaustin@fs.fed.us or 970-642-4406 for registration.



Joanna Lemly, former CSU graduate student, shows examples of moss collected at Chattanooga Fen near Silverton, CO