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No Free Refills: How Organisms and Ecosystems Recover From Droughts

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Controlling variation leads to strong insights into how things work in science. Perhaps this tendency has led ecologists to primarily work in perennial aquatic systems rather than the globally pervasive ephemeral wetlands and waterways. In this talk I will cover some of my lab's work on ephemeral systems. We'll explore the impacts of drying and rewetting cycles on multi-decadal population dynamics of giant salamanders and shorter-term responses of Kansas intermittent streams and highly abundant frogs on dynamic nutrient cycles.

If you would like to visit with Dr. Tom Luhring, please contact Dr. Keith Gido at kgido@ksu.edu.

Coffee & snacks served preceding the seminar in Ackert Hall, Room 225