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EVENT HONORS NOBEL LAUREATE STEVE RUNNING

MISSOULA—

UM ecologist and forestry Professor Steve Running, one of the nation's foremost experts on climate change, will speak about global warming and his "Five Stages of Climate Grief" on Monday, Nov. 26.

The presentation will begin at 4 p.m. in the University Center Ballroom. A reception to honor Running's recent share of the Nobel Peace Prize will follow at 5 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public.

Running directs the College of Forestry and Conservation's Numerical Terradynamic Simulation Group. He has been at UM since 1979 and has long worked to bring people information about the human impact on global warming and ways individuals can make a difference.

His work as a lead author of the 2007 United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report – which presents strong evidence that humanity is artificially warming our world -- recently brought him a share of the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to the IPCC committee and Al Gore.

"I never thought my name and the words 'Nobel Laureate' would ever be used in the

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same sentence," Running said. "I really hope this award will help bury the disingenuous climate change deniers once and for all."

To read Running's "Five Stages of Climate Grief," visit <http://www.ntsg.umt.edu>.

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