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W. L. PENGELLY OF FISH-GAME COMMISSION
TO DISCUSS DEPARTMENT'S STAKE IN ENVIRONMENT

MISSOULA --

Dr. W. Leslie Pengelly, a member of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, who is a forestry professor and chairman of wildlife biology at the University of Montana in Missoula, will present a free public lecture entitled the "Montana Fish and Game Department's Stake in the Environment" at noon Friday, Feb. 7, in room 215 of the UM Women's Center.

Friday's discussion is the fifth in a series of nine environmental programs being presented winter quarter at UM by the University botany department.

Pengelly said his discussion will involve "wildlife as an index of culture, and the state's responsibility to the public to see to it that wildlife is preserved, based on the public's demand for wildlife preservation." Included in his remarks will be comments on land use treatment.

"Any intensification of land use treatment is potentially harmful to wild animals,"

Pengelly said. "There are trade-offs. If people feel it is okay to strip-mine in

eastern Montana, then they must be willing to do without other things, such as fish and

other wildlife."

He said the Montana Fish and Game Commission serves as an advisory board to the State Fish and Game Department.

Dr. Meyer Chessin, a UM botany professor, is coordinator of the lecture series