



KAMLOOPS
EXPLORATION GROUP

Thank you to our 2025
KEG Lecture Series Sponsor



The Way in – Re-evaluation of Terrestrial Routes into the Americas for the First Peoples

The debate on the route of human migration has raged for decades. Central to the argument has been the timing and extents of the Laurentide and Cordilleran ice sheets - centering on whether they met and coalesced during that last major period of glaciation. As such the whole of the regional Pleistocene history of glaciation is drawn into question, because, since the last glaciation (roughly 24,000 - 12,000) years is a matter of debate, so too are the timings and extents of previous glacial episodes. Marine isotope studies from ocean cores indicates there were around 22 glacial/non glacial episodes during the Pleistocene ice age - providing threads to a potentially tangled story. I'll attempt to bring my own research to bear, and clarify events in the western interior of Canada, and hopefully indicate what entry route and timing are supported by evidence gathered from sites related to the Pleistocene fossil sites.