Graduate student opportunity in spatial analysis of bark beetle outbreaks at the University of Idaho. A graduate research assistantship is available for a M.S. candidate to study bark beetle outbreaks in North America. Potential research topics include spatiotemporal analysis of outbreaks; landscape assessment of outbreak dynamics using remote sensing imagery; investigation of stand and climate controls; or quantification of effects on forest ecosystems and biogeochemical fluxes. The ideal candidate will have a background in entomology, geography, ecology, biogeosciences, or a related field. The graduate student will have the opportunity to receive a degree in either Geography or Environmental Science. The position provides full support at $23,000 annually plus health insurance, tuition, and fees. Funding is currently available and runs through May 2008, with additional funding possible. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, CV, GPA, GRE scores, and a personal statement that describes the candidate’s interest in the position and relevant education and experience to Dr. Jeffrey Hicke (jhicke@uidaho.edu). Informal inquiries via email or phone (208-885-6240) are encouraged.