



Call for Session Proposals

The Oregon Outdoor Recreation Summit Planning Committee is accepting session proposals for the 2023 Oregon Outdoor Recreation Summit in partnership with the Oregon Trails Summit. The 2023 Summit will be held November 2-4 at The Mill Hotel in North Bend- Coos Bay and surrounding areas. We are welcoming proposals for short presentations, one-hour breakout sessions, longer-form workshops, and field trips, tours, and in-field trainings. We will have access to indoor conference room spaces at the conference venue as well as close proximity to trails and other recreation sites on surrounding public lands.

More general summit info at <http://oregonoutdoorsummit.com>

Call for Proposals deadline: May 31, 2023

Submit proposals here: <https://forms.gle/UU5UWWSzzFyWgfd68>

We welcome and encourage proposals from the full diversity of our Oregon outdoor recreation community:

- from agency staff, volunteers, academics, and private sector professionals, from urban trails to wilderness, from motorized and non-motorized perspectives, hunters and anglers, and land and water recreation-related topics,
- from all cultural backgrounds, and from all corners of Oregon and those with lessons to share from beyond our state's borders.

All proposals should have clear educational objectives or learning outcomes.

We particularly encourage proposals that forward our summit goals:

The event will bring together Oregon's outdoor community to learn, build relationships, and find solutions to the challenges we face in developing and elevating outdoor recreation opportunities to best serve Oregon communities and celebrate and protect our natural, cultural, and historic wonders. The Summit seeks to accelerate efforts to:

- connect Oregonians of all backgrounds and abilities to the outdoors and increase health equity

- aid in recovery of Oregon communities through outdoor recreation partnerships
- address the impacts of climate change on outdoor recreation and build climate resilience
- build a culture of environmental and cultural stewardship and healthy recreation
- provide an off-street network of trails for recreating and traveling within and between Oregon communities
- attract a wide range of visitors that contribute to Oregon's urban and rural economies
- support sustainable entrepreneurship and a thriving outdoor recreation economy that reduces economic disparities

We ask all proposers to read our [Values and Principles for an Inclusive Oregon Outdoor Recreation Summit](#). Strong proposals will reflect these values.

The Call for Proposals has three sections:

Section 1: Session title, description, and learning objectives

Section 2: Basic proposer contact and presenter bio information

Section 3: Session type, location, and proposed length

Please submit a separate proposal for each session you're proposing at <https://forms.gle/UU5UWWSzzFyWgfd68>

The Steering Committee will review proposals and reach out to proposers in June.

Section 1: Session Title, Description and Learning Objectives

- Presentation or Workshop Title
- Presentation or Workshop Description (limit 200 words)
- Educational Objectives: What will attendees learn from your session? List 3 specific points that will help attendees in their work.
- Primary Session Topic Category: You may choose more than one option.

Choosing more than one option will not impact proposal scoring.

- Successful collaboration models and innovative partnerships
- Breaking down barriers and getting folks outside
- Economic Recovery and (Re)Development
- Wildfire Recovery
- Balancing Access with Impact; Responsible Recreation
- Career pathways and workforce development

- Movement Building
- Recreation economy and rural economic development
- Trails/recreation site design, planning, and project development
- Technical Skills
- Stewardship Partnerships
- DEI and centering underrepresented communities
- Support for small outdoor recreation business development
- Nexus of health and the outdoors
- Delivering on-the-ground projects
- Outdoor recreation initiatives to address climate change
- Implementing equity and inclusion initiatives
- Emerging research
- Industry trends, resources, and case studies
- Other:

Section 2: Proposer and Presentation Information:

- Your Name, Title, and Affiliation
- Email Address
- Phone - Number
- Brief bios (1-3 sentences) including name, title, and affiliation for each proposed presenter.
- Representation Matters. We are striving for a presenter roster that is representative of the full cultural, gender, ability, and geographic diversity of the people living, working, and recreating in Oregon. Please let us know how the presenters in the session you're proposing contribute toward this goal.
- Relevant project or presentation links

Section 3: Session Type, Location, and Proposed Length

This section asks you to describe your proposed session format, location, and room set up. You may propose full, stand-alone workshops, roundtables, listening sessions, panel presentations, tours, or a shorter presentation or case study to be combined with other proposals. Most breakout sessions during the Summit will be 60 minutes in length, but proposals for longer form workshops are welcome as well. All Saturday sessions will be offered outside of our conference venue at field sites around the area. We especially welcome interactive and experiential learning opportunities and unique approaches to sharing information and facilitating important discussions.

- Session Structure: How will the session be presented?
 - Panel presentation with Q&A
 - Roundtable discussion between invited speakers
 - Listening session or facilitated discussion between participants
 - Interactive workshop (in conference room setting)
 - Outdoor demonstration or workshop on-site at conference venue
 - Off-site tour/mobile workshop (Tours/mobile workshops are especially encouraged within a 30-mile radius of Welches)
 - Off-site field training (Field trainings are especially encouraged within a 30-mile radius of Welches)
 - Other:
- Desired length of session
 - Short (10-20 min) presentation to be paired with other presentations
 - 60 minutes (standard breakout session)
 - Longer form workshop or training (specify length below)
 - Table Talk/ Office Hours Session (Host an information table during a specific session time for individual/small group discussions)
 - Other:
- Proposed length of workshop or tour if proposing longer than 60-minute breakout session
- Location and set-up: Please share any additional information about your proposed location (for field workshops) or preferred room set-up (classroom, round tables, etc)
- The Summit is scheduled for Thursday, November 2- through Saturday, November 4th with programming taking place primarily at the The Mill Hotel on Thursday-Friday, and in surrounding communities and public lands on Saturday (though nearby field experiences may be offered Thursday-Friday as well.) Please let us know if there are any days you know now that your session presenters are NOT available to present.

Questions: Contact Steph Noll, 503-290-4569; steph.noll@oregontrailscoalition.org

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