Innovations in Connecting Americans to our Great Outdoors

31st Annual NARRP Conference
May 23-26, 2011
Breckenridge, Colorado
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The theme for the 31st Annual National Association Recreation Resource Planners Conference is “Innovations in Connecting Americans to our Great Outdoors.” Connecting our citizenry to the outdoors is key if we are to improve public health, reinvigorate local economies, and instill a new generation of land stewards prepared to address some of the key issues we face. Our conference theme has also jumped to the fore at the federal level, and is a central component of President Barack Obama’s America’s Great Outdoors Initiative, which was initiated to promote and support innovative community-level efforts to conserve outdoor spaces and to reconnect Americans to their outdoor heritage. As the national economy continues to recover, and more people recognize the importance of this issue, it is more important than ever that we continue to build momentum on this critical topic.

Outdoor recreation leaders from around Colorado, the surrounding region, and nation have been invited to participate in this conference and explore and share the latest innovations, efforts and successes in the area of connecting Americans to our great outdoors. We hope that attendees of the 31st Annual NARRP conference leave with additional tools, knowledge, and professional relationships that will help support implementation of this important initiative.

During the conference we will learn from each other’s successes and failures, allowing us to better perform our day-to-day jobs and craft the messages that support the conservation and recreation efforts we believe in. You’ve heard it many times before, but it bears repeating – what you take home with you is a direct result of your level of energy and involvement. We encourage you to share your stories widely with others who may be struggling with similar issues and with those in your sessions. Keep in mind that your most significant take-home moment may happen over a break, while on a field workshop, or over a beer after formal sessions. This meeting is realistically an enormous think-tank at your disposal. We encourage you to use it.

Again, welcome to the 2011 31st Annual NARRP Conference, and thank you for being part of the gathering.

Co-Chairs of 2011 Conference Planning Committee

GLENN HAAS and SCOTT BABCOCK
NARRP would like to thank all of our sponsors for their belief in and support of our mission. Please join us in thanking them for their financial and logistical help. This symposium would not have been possible without the generosity of these organizations.

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Please take the time to familiarize yourself with our many conference exhibitors during the NARRP conference. On Monday evening (5:00 PM to 7:00 PM), exhibitors will be on hand to introduce you to their products and services while conference attendees enjoy hors d’œuvres and cash bar with local beer and wine. Exhibitors will also be available during scheduled conference breaks and between conference sessions.

**EXHIBITORS**

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- OTAK Consulting  
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- Champlin Tire Recycling Park  
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  www.champlintirerecycling.com

- Society for Wilderness Stewardship  
  www.wildernessstewardship.org

- Exhibit Design Associates  
  www.exhibitdesignassociates.com

- Colorado Scenic Byways Program  
  www.coloradodot.info/travel/scenic-byways

- Recreation.gov Registrations  
  www.Recreation.gov

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- Paul S. Sarbanes Transit In Parks Technical Assistance Center  
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For the past 31 years, the National Association of Recreation Resource Planners (www.narrp.org) has sponsored a national conference for the outdoor recreation resource planning profession. Most recently, the conference has been held in Portland, Pittsburgh, Austin, Missoula, and Nashville.

NARRP is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization formed in 1983. It is the nation’s leading professional association representing outdoor recreation and related planners who strive to protect our natural and cultural resources while providing sustainable recreation access. NARRP is dedicated to the proposition that the welfare of the Nation’s citizens and visitors, communities, environment, and economy will be enhanced through opportunities for the public to experience and enjoy the Nation’s lakes, rivers, forests, wilderness, open space, greenways, parks, marine preserves, wildlife refuges, historic sites, heritage areas, and other special outdoor places.
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AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Monday, May 23

10:00 am — 8:00 pm  
**Open Registration**—Please check in at the registration table and pick up your name tag and other conference materials.

1:30 pm — 3:00 pm  
**Concurrent Session #1**
  A. **Getting Youth Outside: How do we do it?**  
  B. **Collaborative Community Planning**  
  C. **Innovative Partnerships**

3:00 pm — 3:30 pm  
**Break**

3:30 pm — 5:00 pm  
**Concurrent Session #2**
  A. **Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Planning**  
  B. **Multigenerational Play**  
  C. **Recreation Resource Planning in FERC Relicensing**

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**Opening Reception** — Preview of Exhibits and Poster Sessions — Please enjoy hors d’oeuvres and cash bar with local beer and wine, take time to get to know other conference participants, and visit the many conference exhibitors.

**Open Evening — Dinner on Your Own**
**AGENDA AT A GLANCE**

**Tuesday, May 24**

**Location**

8:00 am — 8:30 am

**Opening Welcome**

- Dean Winstanley, Director, Colorado State Parks
- Rick Just, NARRP President, Chief Planner at Idaho State Parks and Recreation

8:30 am — 9:30 am

**Plenary: Colorado Innovations**

- Dan Gibbs, Summit County Commissioner and former Colorado Legislator (*Colorado Kids Outdoors Grant Program Act*)
- Chris Leding, Director of Communications, Great Outdoors Colorado (*Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund Grant Programs*)
- Sue Anderson, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (*Colorado Stewardship Advisory Council*)
- Steve Sherwood, USFS Rocky Mountain Region Director for Recreation (*The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Resources Project*)

9:30 am — 10:00 am

**Break**

10:00 am — 11:30 am

**CM | 1.5 credits**

**Plenary: Outdoor Recreation Trends and Projections—Planning for the Future**

- H. Ken Cordell, PhD, Pioneering Scientist and Project Leader, USDA Forest Service Research and Development, Athens, Georgia
- Gary T. Green, PhD, Associate Professor, University of Georgia, Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources, Natural Resources, Recreation and Tourism

11:30 am — 11:45 am

**Break**

11:45 am — 1:15 pm

**National Awards Program and Luncheon**

1:30 pm — 3:00 pm

**Concurrent Sessions #3**

**CM | 1.5 credits**

A. Byways: The traditional drive for pleasure is now supported by dynamic programs at the national, state and local levels.

B. Framework for Sustainable Recreation

C. New Mobile Technology: Augmented Reality

3:00 pm — 3:30 pm

**Break**

3:30 pm — 5:00 pm

**Concurrent Sessions #4**

**CM | 1.5 credits**

A. Connections via Colorado Open Spaces: Lessons learned through alliances, plans, and management actions

B. Making Your Case for Sustainable Funding

*Concurrent Sessions #4 continued on next page*
### Concurrent Sessions #4 continued

**Time:** 3:30 pm — 5:00 pm

- **C. Managing Congestion through Alternative Transportation in the Colorado Rockies**
  - Location: Peak 6-10
- **D. Ride the OHV Trend and Connect Americans to the Great Outdoors**
  - Location: Peak 11-12

**Open Evening — Dinner on Your Own**

- **5:30 pm — 7:00 pm**
  - **NARRP Membership and Board Meeting**
    - (Optional for NARRP Members)
    - Location: Peak 4

### Wednesday, May 25

**Time:**

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### Banquet and Live Auction

- **Time:** 6:00 pm — 9:00 pm
- **Location:** Breckenridge Ballroom 1st floor

Don’t miss this popular conference tradition. Enjoy dinner, drinks and your chance to bring home some amazing items! Expect some surprises from auctioneer and NARRP President, Rick Just. All auction proceeds support the NARRP student scholarship fund, which brings young outdoor leaders to our conference each year. Dinner will start at approximately 7:15 PM.
Thursday, May 26

8:00 am — 9:30 am  **Plenary: Outdoor Recreation Industry**
- Craig Mackey, Director of Recreation Policy, Outdoor Industry Association
- Mike Collins, Vice President, Public Affairs, REI
- Brook Shinski, Outdoor Participation & Community Development Manager, North Face
- Amy Roberts, Vice President of Government Affairs, Outdoor Industry Association

9:30 am — 10:00 am  **Break**

10:00 am — 11:30 am  **Plenary: State of America’s State Parks**
- Dean Winstanley, Colorado State Parks Director
- Joe Elton, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
- Charles Salkin, Delaware State Parks Director
- Becky Kelley, Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites Director

11:30 am — 1:30 pm  **America’s Great Outdoors Initiative Luncheon**

1:30 pm — 2:30 pm  **Plenary: Implementing the America’s Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative**
- Honorable Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Chair of the Interagency AGO Coordinating Council, Washington DC.

2:30 pm — 3:00 pm  **Break**

3:00 pm — 4:30 pm  **Plenary: AGO Response**
- Bob Ratcliffe, Deputy Assistant Director for Renewable Resources and Planning Directorate, BLM
- Joe Elton, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
- Rick Just, NARRP President, Chief Planner at Idaho State Parks
- Frank Hugelmeyer, President, Outdoor Industry Association

4:30 pm — 5:00 pm  **Closing Session**
- Newly Elected NARRP President and farewell send-off to attendees
SAVE THE DATE!

Baton Rouge, Louisiana
April 2012
32nd Annual National Recreation Resource Planning Conference
Thank you for attending the National Recreation Resource Planning Conference: Innovations in Connecting Americans to Our Great Outdoors.

We appreciate your attendance and we hope you find the sessions both informative and enjoyable.

If you have any questions or concerns during the conference, please stop by the registration desk and ask for assistance.

NARRP would like to remind you that more information about the Association is available at our website: www.NARRP.org

Thank you and please enjoy what promises to be a great event!

Message Board

There is a bulletin board for messages, general conference and transportation information located near the Registration Desk. Please check it periodically in case someone at the conference is trying to reach you.

Registration Desk

Monday 10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Tuesday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Thursday 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

Hospitality Room — Top O’Run Suite

From 8-11 pm Monday through Thursday nights. Light beverages and snacks will be provided in the Top O’Run Suite in Building 3, 8th Floor, Room #38460. Open to all conference registrants. Come enjoy the company of old and new friends.

Remember, we are at 9,600 feet above the sea!!

If you are coming from lower elevations, it is possible that you will experience some sort of altitude sickness. Most people will experience relatively mild symptoms, such as a slight shortness of breath or difficulty sleeping the first night or two upon arrival. More moderate symptoms can include headaches and nausea. If your altitude sickness symptoms do not ease after a couple days, please consult a physician.

- **Drink lots of water!** Drink *at least* 100 ounces (3 liters/quarts) of water per day, as the body loses fluids much more rapidly in higher elevations. Also, try to avoid caffeine and alcohol. Start increasing your water intake a couple days prior to your arrival.

- Get plenty of rest. However, during the day, light activity is more effective than attempting to sleep off the effects of altitude sickness. Respiration and heart rate decrease during sleep, which can actually worsen symptoms.

- Eat a diet high in carbohydrates as they require less oxygen to metabolize.
Lodging

We have secured a special room rate at Beaver Run for conference participants. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-265-3560, just mention the NARRP conference.

Check-in time: 4:00 P.M. Check-out time: 11:00 A.M.

In addition, there are many other hotel options in the area. Please see www.Breckenridge.com, or a travel search engine for information on local hotels.

NOTE: The NARRP contract with the Beaver Run Conference Center ensures you can get the same conference room rate for the three days before and after the conference (May 19-29th). This makes it easy for you to extend your stay and recreate in a wonderful area!

Internet Access

There is free wireless in the Beaver Run lobby, the Base Nine Bar, by the Skywalk Market, and by the Building 3 pool area. The free wireless code is posted on the lobby wall where you checked into Beaver Run or you can ask the concierge. In-room wireless internet is available for a fee.

Transportation

There are many free and affordable transportation options, so there is no need for a car. Let someone else handle the mountain driving for you!

Travel to and from Denver International Airport

- Shuttle transportation to and from DIA is being provided by Summit Express at a special reduced conference rate of $38.50 each way. You can schedule shuttle service to and from the Beaver Run Conference Center by linking to: http://summitexpress.com, clicking on the Reservation symbol and entering “NARRP” under the Frequent User Login—This will take you to a specific reservation site just for NARRP conference attendees. You can also call toll free at 1-855-MTN-VANS or 970-688-6000 and again reference “NARRP.”
- If you prefer to rent a vehicle, a complete list of rental companies and their contact information can be found at http://flydenver.com/rentalcars.

Travel in and around Breckenridge

Once you are in Breckenridge there really is no need for a car:

- The FREE Beaver Run Shuttle will transport you to many downtown attractions.....For Free!!!
- The town of Breckenridge is very walkable and many restaurants are within a 15-minute walk from the Beaver Run Conference Center.
- Fresh Tracks Transportation offers shuttle services from Breckenridge to the Vail Valley and Summit County locations. For more information contact 970-453-4052, or visit www.freshtrackstransportation.com.
- The Summit Stage makes getting from Breckenridge to other parts of Summit County FREE and fast. Just hop on the bus and get whisked away to Frisco, Keystone Ski Resort, Dillon, Silverthorne & more. For more information on the Summit Stage visit www.summitstage.com.
Breaks and Meals

Please note that breakfast will not be provided during the conference. There are three options for breakfast: 1) order room service; 2) go to Spencer’s Steak and Spirits located on level two; or 3) the Skyway Market, located on level three, which offers Starbucks coffee and light fare.

Please join us for the Awards Luncheon on Tuesday and for the AGO Luncheon on Thursday. In addition, there will be a break service provided Monday afternoon, and in the morning and afternoon on Tuesday and Thursday. There is no break service provided on Wednesday. Wednesday evening features a special banquet dinner featuring authentic regional fare.

Also, please join us in the Hospitality Room, Top O’Run Suite from 8—11 pm Monday through Thursday for light beverages and snacks (Building 3, 8th floor, Room #38460).

Live Auction — Breckenridge Ballroom

Join us for a spirited live auction at 6:00 pm Wednesday evening. You won’t want to miss this popular conference tradition, and your chance to bring home some unique items! Expect some surprises from auctioneer and NARRP President, Rick Just. All proceeds fund student conference scholarships! Visa and Master Card credit cards are accepted.

Name Badges

Your name badge should be worn at all times during the conference. In addition to being your introduction to new friends and contacts, it is your ticket to each session and social event.

At the end of your stay with us, please drop your name badge holder at the Registration Desk; it will be reused for future events.

Proceedings

All concurrent, keynote and poster session presenters are invited to submit presentations (full paper, outline, PowerPoint, abstract, etc.) for sharing and archiving on the NARRP website. No formal proceedings (CD or hard copy) will be prepared and distributed to attendees.

Conference Evaluation

We want your feedback! The Conference Planning Committee will follow-up with conference participants via email after the conference and provided access to an online survey.
Silent Auction — Peak 1-3

We greatly appreciate the outdoor products and other items generously donated by so many individuals and businesses. Stop by and bid often, and remember that all proceeds go to support student conference scholarships! You’ll find lots of great deals and feel good about supporting the important work of NARRP.

**Bidding will close on Thursday at 3:30 pm.** Please give silent auction volunteers a chance to get organized for a smooth check-out process. You may return to Peak 1-3 Thursday between 3:30 pm and 6:00 pm to claim and pay for your items. You need not be present to win an item, but please be prepared to pay the cost of shipping, if needed.

American Institute of Certified Planners—Certification Maintenance Credits

AICP members can earn Certification (CM) credits for many sessions during this conference. When CM credits are available, they are noted at the end of an activity description. More information about AICP’s CM program can be found at www.planning.org/cm.

Please sign the CM registration log after each session providing CM credits. **You must also visit the Certification Maintenance section of APA’s website (www.planning.org/cm) to claim your credits using the following steps:**

1. Log in using your ID# and password.
2. Select My CM log
3. Select Add Credits
4. Under Browse you have the option of searching by Date, Provider or Distance Learning and using the search box to type in the name of the event or activity and clicking go
5. If you search Activities by Date, on the left of the calendar view, please use the “previous” and “next” options to locate the month. On the right of the calendar view, please use the “previous” and “next” options to select the year
6. If searching Activities by Provider, using the letters, please select the initial of the first name of the provider. From the list, then select the name of the provider
7. Select the “Past Events” tab to locate the event you have attended
8. If searching Distance Learning, after selecting, you will see a list of all distance education activities. To select, click on the name of the activity
9. A pop-up box will appear. Please note: if this is a multi-part event you will have the option to select from a list of activities
10. Please rate, add a comment (optional), and click on the Ethics statement and answer
11. Click submit and the CM credits should appear in your CM log

If you have problems reporting your CM credits or have general questions about our CM program, please contact AICPCM@planning.org. APA’s customer service associates are available to assist you.
NARRP believes that promoting and fostering outdoor recreation and natural resource planning is tantamount to helping develop the recreation planners of the future. As such, NARRP helps cultivate tomorrow’s leaders with scholarship programs that encourage and support appropriate educational opportunities and allow recipients to cultivate relationships with today’s leaders.

**2011 NARRP Student Scholarship Recipients**

One of NARRP’s exciting programs is to financially support undergraduate and graduate students from the outdoor recreation and planning fields to attend our annual conference. NARRP believes that it is critical to the recreation resource planning profession that we promote the scholarship and advancement of students and young professionals. A scholarship of $500 was awarded to exceptional student planners to cover lodging, meals and travel. Conference registration fees, as well as a 1-year student membership in NARRP were also waived for scholarship recipients.

Please join us in congratulating the 2011 student scholarship recipients:

- **John Heermans**  
  University of Maryland

- **Martha Willand**  
  University of Maine

- **Raymond Hayhurst**  
  University of Maryland

- **Kourtney Collum**  
  University of Maine

- **Zac Cole**  
  University of Florida

- **Mike Ferguson**  
  West Virginia University

- **Sam Martin**  
  Colorado State University

- **Sara Kaner**  
  California State University, Chico

- **Clay Allred**  
  Utah State University

- **Stacie West**  
  University of Maryland

The student scholarship program is supported by 100% of the proceeds from the silent and live auction items contributed by sponsors and conference attendees. We hope you will generously participate in this year’s auctions.
Monday, May 23

10:00 am — 8:00 pm

**Open Registration**

Location: Foyer
3rd floor

1:30 pm — 3:00 pm

**Concurrent Session #1**

A. Getting Youth Outside: How do we do it?
Peak 5

B. Collaborative Community Planning
Peak 6-10

C. Innovative Partnerships
Peak 4

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3:00 pm — 3:30 pm

**Break**

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**Open Evening — Dinner on Your Own**

Location: Coppertop III & Foyer
GETTING YOUTH OUTSIDE: HOW DO WE DO IT?
Concurrent Session #1—A
Peak 5

Getting Youth Outside is a hot topic. This session will look at multiple ways to do this. We’ll hear about models and lessons learned in educating youth about our environment and public lands, creating opportunities for youth job and leadership skills development in the outdoors, fostering a stewardship ethic, promoting recreation and play and why all of this is critical to the health of our communities and our public lands.

Session lead: Sue Anderson, Director of Programs, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado
Volunteers for Outdoor (VOC) is a 27 year old organization with a mission to motivate and enable people to become active stewards of our natural resources.

Session presenters:
- Ellen Reid, Director of the Keystone Science School
- Harry Bruell, CEO & President, Southwest Conservation Corps (SCC)
- Kim Burgess, Chief Operating Officer, Colorado Department of Natural Resources.
- Margaret DeKoven, CHA, Physicians Assistant, General Pediatrics, Kaiser Permanente

COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY PLANNING
Concurrent Session #1—B
Peak 6-10
CM | 1.5 credits

Are multi-jurisdictional or public/private partnerships needed to implement your plans? Decision makers not yet committed to investing in implementation? Striving to address recreation use conflicts? Strong neighborhood advocates voicing their interests? These and other issues can most effectively be addressed through planning processes that include a high degree of multi-entity collaboration and public participation. Increasingly, collaborative planning that encourages meaningful engagement of a variety of community partners is required to develop implementable, broadly-supported plans.

During this session, panelists will share examples of National Park Service-supported collaborative planning efforts. Participants will gain an understanding of when collaborative processes have worked well and what has made them successful as well as when it has not worked as well and what could have been done differently to ensure a more successful outcome. Highlighted project examples will include a contentious reservoir recreation project, regional-scale National Heritage Area planning, a multi-state water trail, and partnership-managed Wild and Scenic Rivers.

Session lead: Alan Ragins, Program Leader, National Park Service, Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, Lakewood, CO

Session presenters:
- Joy Lujan, Community Planner, National Park Service, National Park Service, Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, Lakewood, CO
- Sharon C. Miles, Planner, National Park Service, Midwest Regional Office
The days of public resource agencies managing their resources based solely upon appropriated dollars are gone. Today we need to be much more creative and collaborative in working with other organizations who are connected, value and benefit from our great outdoors.

This panel session will highlight several highly successful and innovative partnerships between the private and non-profit sectors with the public sector. Panelists will discuss how and why their partnership was formed, how the partners benefit from the relationship, what have been the lessons learned, and provide recommendations for others to follow in their steps.

Session lead: Susan Alden Weingardt, Partnership Liaison, USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region

Session presenters:
• Bob Cole, attorney at law and partner in Collins, Cockerel & Cole and , National Forest Foundation Board Member
• Tim Wohlgemut, Colorado and Southwest Director for the Colorado Trust for Public Land
• Lori McCullough, CEO/Executive Director of Tread Lightly! Inc.
• Curt Buchholtz, Executive Director of the Rocky Mountain Nature Association

Notes
President Obama initiated the 21st Century Strategy for America’s Great Outdoors (AGO) in the spring, 2010. In fall 2010 a major national discussion took place across America with thousands of ideas, leading to a final AGO report that was released in February 2011.

Some of the AGO Report recommendations relate to the need for increased regional interagency planning. The report also recommends that Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation plans (SCORPs), as required by the LWCF Act of 1965, be modified and enhanced to address this need. New guidelines and criteria for SCORPs are in the works that will focus a portion of the LWCF stateside program on urban parks and community green spaces, landscape-scale conservation, and recreational blueways. Establishment of competitive grants funding for states to amend their SCORPs to meet the new guidelines are also recommended as part of the AGO Report.

This session will be a facilitated discussion of how SCORPs could be modified or enhanced, as well as the implications (benefits and costs) of doing so. Ideas and suggestions will be assembled by the NARRP Board and transmitted to the Department of the Interior officials charged with implementing the recommendations of the AGO Report.

Session lead: Jeff Prey, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Session Panelists: This will be a facilitated, open discussion

As recreation and play have evolved, so has the pressure to design and build new facilities to meet the changing need. The new catch words are accessible, family and community. The new play facilities are not your father’s nor are they your kid’s…They, are everyone’s. This is “back to the future” to employ an overused description. In the past, all of us socialized as communities and families. Somewhere along the way play became ‘zoned’. Kids played here, athletics there, dogs over there, grandparents wherever, and parents to the back. That is no longer the way we play. People want everyone and everything together, and the closer the better. We want as much proximate activity as possible! Everyone doing everything close enough to reach the real goals…shared activity…shared lives.

Session leads: Axel Bishop, AICP, CPRP, ASLA, Principal and Founding Partner, Design Concepts

Session Panelists:
- Ian Glas, Owner and Principal of Integrated Design Solutions
- Zachary Taylor, Regional Health Administrator, Health and Human Services, Region VIII
- Theresa Penbrooke, CPRP, CEO and Founding Manager Member of GreenPlay, Inc.

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The audience can participate with professionals in health, play, park management, recreation and community building as they share their ideas and experience. This is the new age of collaboration among professionals. This is the era of agencies sharing management, maintenance, goals and revenues. Health and recreation are no longer separate, play and socialization are recognized for what they have always been: the same thing. Families and communities are built on the little contacts and recreation is, has been and will grow even greater as the best place for these things to co-join.

- Learn about parks being naturalized to connect play with wildlands.
- Learn about gathering spaces where kids and dogs are playing in close proximity and watchful adults are using them as a social generator.
- Learn how ‘accessible’ play is no longer even visible as such.
- Learn how ‘dignity’ in play attracts every ability and age.
- Learn the one type of play that transcends generations.
- And more...

**RECREATION RESOURCE PLANNING IN FERC RELICENSING**

**Concurrent Session #2—C**

**Peak 5**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has granted over 1,000 licenses for private firms and public agencies to generate power using the nation’s waterways and an additional 400 preliminary permits have been issued to study sites for potential future hydropower facilities. The Commission’s regulations require that potential impacts on a variety of resources, including recreation and aesthetics, are given equal consideration when determining the best use of a waterway. This session will provide an overview of the FERC licensing process with a focus on the collaboration that occurs among the various interested parties throughout the multi-year planning cycle. Three perspectives are provided (FERC staff, consulting firm, and licensee) to give session attendees a more holistic view of how recreation resource planning fits into the licensing process. Come learn how to get involved in the FERC relicensing process!

**Session lead: Mark Ivy**, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Div. of Hydropower Administration and Compliance

**Session Panelists:**
- **Shana Murray**, Outdoor Recreation Planner, FERC Division of Hydropower Licensing
- **Sergio Capozzi**, Recreation and Visual Resource Planner, AECOM Design + Planning
- **Speed Fitzhugh**, Spokane River License Manager, Avista Corporation

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TUESDAY, MAY 24

8:00 am — 8:30 am

**Opening Welcome**
- Dean Winstanley, Director of Colorado State Parks
- Rick Just, NARRP President, Chief Planner at Idaho State Parks and Recreation

8:30 am — 9:30 am

**Plenary: Colorado Innovations**
- Dan Gibbs, Summit County Commissioner and former Colorado Legislator (Colorado Kids Outdoors Grant Program Act)
- Chris Leding, Director of Communications, Executive Director, Great Outdoors Colorado (Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund Grant Programs)
- Sue Anderson, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (Colorado Stewardship Advisory Council)
- Steve Sherwood, USFS Rocky Mountain Region Director for Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness Resources (The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Resources Project)

9:30 am — 10:00 am

Break

10:00 am — 11:30 am

**CM | 1.5 credits**

**Plenary: Outdoor Recreation Trends and Projections—Planning for the Future**
- H. Ken Cordell, PhD, Pioneering Scientist and Project Leader, USDA Forest Service Research and Development, Athens, Georgia
- Gary T. Green, PhD, Associate Professor, University of Georgia

11:30 am — 11:45 am

Break

11:45 am — 1:15 pm

**National Awards Program and Luncheon**

1:30 pm — 3:00 pm

**Concurrent Sessions #3**

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TUESDAY, MAY 24

1:30 pm — 3:00 pm  
Concurrent Sessions #3  
A. Byways: The traditional drive for pleasure is now supported by dynamic programs at the national, state and local levels.  

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B. Framework for Sustainable Recreation (USFS Lands Focus)  
C. New Mobile Technology: Augmented Reality

3:00 pm — 3:30 pm  
Break

3:30 pm — 5:00 pm  
Concurrent Sessions #4  
A. Connections via Colorado Open Spaces: Lessons learned through alliances, plans, and management actions  

CM | 1.5 credits  
B. Making Your Case for Sustainable Funding  
C. Managing Congestion Through Alternative Transportation in the Colorado Rockies  
D. Ride the OHV Trend and Connect Americans to the Great Outdoors

Open Evening—Dinner on Your Own

5:30 pm — 7:00 pm  
NARRP Membership and Board Meeting  
Location: Building 3 Room #38460
OPENING WELCOME
Peak 4&5

Dean Winstanley, Director of Colorado State Parks and Rick Just, NARRP President, Idaho State Parks welcome you to Breckenridge, Colorado for the 31st Annual NARRP Conference.

COLORADO INNOVATIONS
Plenary Session
Peak 4&5

Colorado is home to a number of innovations in outdoor recreation and, not surprisingly, has one of the most active populations. Residents are blessed with some of the most magnificent natural landscapes in America, offering abundant and diverse outdoor recreation opportunities. Each year, millions of Coloradans and visitors to our state participate in outdoor recreation activities. With elevations ranging from 3,350 feet to 14,431 feet, a high percentage of public land (42%), close to 300 days of annual sunshine, world-class skiing, and year-round recreation opportunities, Colorado is an outdoor recreation haven. Whether hiking a wilderness trail to experience the solitude of a high alpine lake, riding a snowmobile through a picturesque mountain valley, or fishing or hunting on a plains reservoir, Colorado offers something for everyone.

This plenary session will highlight several innovative efforts that have garnered national attention that were initiated here in Colorado including the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Program, Colorado Kids Outdoors Grant Program Act, the Colorado Outdoor Recreation Resource Project (CORRP).

- **Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Program.** The GOCO program was created by Colorado voters in 1992 through a citizens’ initiative and is supported by a portion of Lottery dollars specifically allocated to help preserve, protect, enhance, and manage Colorado’s wildlife, park, river, trail and open space heritage. GOCO has protected over 800,000 acres of open space, created or enhanced 1,049 community parks and recreation areas, and much more.

- **Colorado Kids Outdoors Grant Program Act.** The Colorado Kids in the Outdoors Grant Program was established in 2010 by House Bill 1131. CKO is designed as a grant program to fund opportunities for Colorado youth to participate in outdoor activities in the state, including but not limited to programs that emphasize the environment and experiential, field-based learning.

- **Governor’s Stewardship Challenge.** The Governor’s Stewardship Challenge is a newly-formed, coordinated partnership effort to help elevate citizen engagement and develop a skilled volunteer workforce that can assist in maintaining and protecting public lands. State agencies, led by the Department of Natural Resources, will work with statewide nonprofit stewardship organizations to establish a robust coalition of partners committed to planning and implementing stewardship work on the ground.

- **Colorado Outdoor Recreation Resources Project (CORRP).** CORRP began in 1985 to convene Colorado’s public and private outdoor recreation providers, non-profit organizations, members of the media, and other private sector individuals who have a special interest in the future of recreation on public lands in Colorado. Today, CORRP is a model forum for improving communication among the state’s various outdoor recreation providers that continues to grow and improve.

Speakers:

- **Chris Leding,** Communications Director, (Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund Grant Programs)

- **Dan Gibbs,** Summit County Commissioner and former Colorado Legislator (Colorado Kids Outdoors Grant Program Act)

- **Sue Anderson,** Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (Governor’s Stewardship Challenge)

- **Steve Sherwood,** USFS Rocky Mountain Region Director for Recreation, Heritage, and Wilderness (The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Resource Project)
OUTDOOR RECREATION TRENDS AND PROJECTIONS—
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Plenary Session
Peak 4&5
CM | 1.5 credits

The presentation will cover key findings and planning data from the 2010 Renewable Resources Planning Act National Assessment (RPA Assessment). RPA Assessments are conducted every 10 years by Forest Service scientists to track and forecast trends in forest, range, wildlife, water, climate, recreation, wilderness and other resource trends nationwide and regionally. A national team of scientists and their collaborators conduct and publish this unique trend and futures research on an on-going basis. Ken Cordell and Gary Green are team leaders responsible for conducting the recreation demand, lands, wilderness, and amenity migration research for the 2010 RPA. This work is now in process of being published. Key findings of current and forecast future trends will be summarized. RPA is unique to the U. S. because it provides model-driven, long-term forecasts of changing demand and supply for each future decade to the year 2060. As well, a wealth of county-level data will soon be available that can support local, statewide and regional recreation planning and market analysis. Included will be a description of findings and data from the National Survey on Recreation and the Environment. Information will be relevant to planners of all types, including local county or open space and state/federal outdoor recreation planners.

Speakers:

- **H. Ken Cordell, PhD**, Pioneering Scientist and Project Leader, USDA Forest Service Research and Development, Athens, Georgia

- **Gary T. Green, PhD**, Associate Professor, University of Georgia, Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources, Natural Resources, Recreation and Tourism

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Each year, NARRP recognizes and honors individuals for their outstanding accomplishments in the field of recreation and park resources planning, management and administration, as well as service to NARRP.

- **National Recreation Resource Leadership Award**
  This award is the most prestigious recognition presented by NARRP. It recognizes the significant contributions of other political, scientific, educational and organizational leaders in both the public and private sectors. It is presented annually to one individual who has demonstrated leadership for, or in the field of, parks, recreation and natural resources management, and has made significant and sustained contributions in the fields of parks, recreation or natural resources management. Individuals need not be NARRP members to be nominated.

- **Distinguished Service Award**
  This award is presented annually to up to three recipients who have made significant contributions to the profession of recreation resource planning. A determining factor shall be the degree of sustained contribution and proficiency or the excellence of a single achievement or contribution. The achievement may be in the areas of policy development, administration, public affairs, resource planning and design, program, finance, research, education, or other areas in the recreation resource management profession. Nominees need not be members of NARRP.

- **National SCORP Excellence Award**
  The National Park Service and the National Association for Recreation Resource Planners wishes to acknowledge our Nation’s States and Territories for their vision, professional dedication and commitment of resources in pursuit of the goals of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act through their Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).

  This award honors the State/Territory and individuals who, through their collective roles in the planning process, produced an excellent SCORP not only for their State/Territory but also for the Nation as a whole by making the case for the importance of providing places and opportunities for public outdoor recreation to strengthen the health and vitality of the citizens of the United States.

- **Excellence in Planning Award**
  This award will be presented annually to not more than four recipients, including not more than two individuals and two agencies or organizations, public or private. It is awarded primarily for professional achievement in the field of parks and recreation planning contributing to the advancement of the profession or park and recreation programs. The determining factor shall be the degree of sustained proficiency or excellence of a single achievement or contribution made by the nominee. The achievement may be in the area of policy development, SCORP Planning, administration, public affairs, physical planning/design, program, finance, research, education, intergovernmental relations, volunteerism or other related areas. Primary consideration shall be given to achievements furthering recreation planning. Nominees need not be NARRP members.

**Notes**
Driving for pleasure—traditionally recognized as having one of the highest participation rates of all recreation activities—is now maturing with the leadership of the Federal Highway Administration, active participation of federal lands agencies and tribal communities, more than 40 state programs, and, most importantly, the initiative and determination of local byway organizations. With 150 byways carrying the Secretary of Transportation's designation of America's Byways, hundreds of state-designated byways, and auto tour routes associated with National Historic Trails, planning and managing the intrinsic qualities and visitor experiences in these linear corridors assures that this outdoor recreation activity continues to be one of the most popular in all of America.

Session lead: David L. Dahlquist, David L. Dahlquist Associates, LLC

Session presenters:
- Curt Pianalto, Byway Specialist, America's Byway Resource Center
- Duane Lula, Byway Specialist, America's Byway Resource Center
- Lenore Bates, Program Manager, Colorado Scenic and Historic Byway Program
- Sally Pearce, Former Program Manager, Colorado Scenic and Historic Byway Program
- Chris Sporl, Rocky Mountain Regional Landscape Architect and Recreation Planner, USDA Forest Service
- Joe Tempel, Executive Director, Lariat Loop Heritage Alliance

During this session, attendees will hear and learn:
- Brief history of the magnitude of driving for pleasure and the roles of designated byways in connecting Americans to the great outdoors
- Overviews of the National Scenic Byway Program, participation of federal lands agencies and tribal communities, and the services of the America's Byways Resource Center
- Core principles of byways: Intrinsic resource management, authentic visitor experience delivery, multi-level corridor planning, and the values of locally-driven and collaborative leadership and management
- Examples of effective statewide byway programs with a particular focus on the Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways program
- Overview of one of Colorado's successful byways: The Lariat Loop Scenic and Historic Byway near Golden, Colorado

Note: this session will provide a solid orientation for attendees who select the Top-of-the-Rockies field workshop on Wednesday. Additionally, representatives of Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways will be attending this session.
Sustainable Recreation, lessons learned through implementation of the framework and collaboration with communities, a community partner’s perspective on collaboration for recreation planning, and examples of how private sector recreation interests are engaged in helping to bring sustainable recreation to a higher level of recognition and support.

Moderator: Deidre St. Louis, USDA Forest Service, Recreation Planning, Congressionally-Designated Areas, Appeals and Litigation – An overview will be given on implementation principles and concepts within the new framework for sustainable recreation and tourism planning

Session presenters:

- Francisco Valenzuela, Regional Director, Southwestern Region USFS. Recreation, Heritage, Volunteers and Wilderness Resources – models in AZ and NM Forests
- Laurie Thorpe, Lead Team Director, Independent Resources Enterprise Team, US Forest Service – regional ongoing revisions efforts using sustainable recreation in AK, IL, WA, NH and others
- Chip Norton, Retired Project Manager and Board Member of the Community Forest Trust and the Prescott National Forest Planning Steering Committee.
- Bruce Ward, Senior Advisor to Choose Outdoors, National Ski Areas Association, National Association of RV Parks and Campgrounds, America Outdoors Association, and the Outdoor Industry Association

NEW MOBILE TECHNOLOGY: AUGMENTED REALITY
Concurrent Session #3—C
Peak 6-10

Augmented reality (AR) is a term for a live direct or indirect view of a physical, real-world environment whose elements are augmented by computer-generated sensory input, such as sound or graphics. For instance, you hold your smart phone up in front of you as if you’re about to take a picture. The real world is there on screen, of course, but overlaid on that might be a ghosted image of a historic building as it once appeared, a written or recorded interpretive message that is context sensitive, or the next clue in a tree identification game you’re playing.

Participants will get an overview of commercial augmented reality products available including those specific to outdoor recreation and leave with knowledge of how this cutting-edge technology is shaping the park visitor experience. They will also see and hear a case study that demonstrates how augmented reality can add value to park interpretation.

Session lead: NARRP President Rick Just, Chief Planner with the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation.

Session presenters:

- Dave Elchoness President of Tagwhat
- Brett Melillo, Director of Marketing of Parks By Nature
- Laura Grey, Location Specialist with the Colorado Office of Film, Media and Television.

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CONNECTIONS VIA COLORADO OPEN SPACES: LESSONS LEARNED THROUGH ALLIANCES, PLANS, AND MANAGEMENT ACTIONS
Concurrent Session #4—A
Peak 4
CM | 1.5 credits

Colorado is home to over 40 publicly-funded open space programs that acquire and manage land. This panel session will highlight the inception and purpose of a state-wide organization that brings these separate entities together - the Colorado Open Space Alliance (COSA); current efforts in a downtown urban open space to connect children, community and wellness with the outdoors; large-scale land conservation and planning efforts crossing jurisdictions and ecotones in a rural northern Colorado county; and, high visitation leading to adaptive management in a county which transitions from the plains to the foothills. Find out how Colorado has become a national leader in open space conservation, and the important role open space plays in providing high-quality close-to-home outdoor opportunities!

Session lead: Amy P. Ito, Planning and Development Manager for Jefferson County Open Space

Session presenters:
- K-Lynn Cameron, Director of Conservation, Legacy Land Trust
- Meegan Flenniken, Resource Program Manager, Larimer County Natural Resources Department
- Scott Robson, Former Deputy Manager, Parks and Planning for the City and County of Denver; presently Executive Director, Evergreen Parks and Recreation District

MAKING YOUR CASE FOR SUSTAINABLE FUNDING
Concurrent Session #4—B
Peak 5

We have all heard the phrase, “In crisis, there is opportunity”. During this past decade, park and land management agencies have been faced with the loss of general fund support often due to limited dollars from traditional sources and/or intense competition from other government services and programs. This ongoing financial crisis has ignited a number of innovative ideas and strategies to find ways to keep parks open and operating for the public’s use and enjoyment. In the face of these challenges, park managers and planners have developed and deployed new economic and marketing research, prepared strategic and financial plans and conducted public outreach processes in order to gain support and approval of more permanent and sustainable funding sources. Our panel of leaders and innovators from around the country will present and discuss from firsthand experience keys to successfully making your case for permanent and sustainable funding sources for parks and outdoor recreation.

Session lead: Gary Thorson, Assistant Director, Colorado State Parks

Session presenters:
- Ron Olson, Chief, Parks and Recreation Division for the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- Chuck Nelson, Professor, Michigan State University
- Doug Jeavons, Managing Director, BBC Research and Consulting
- Brent Reed, Deputy Director, Partnerships and Consumer Strategies, California State Parks
MANAGING CONGESTION THROUGH ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION IN THE COLORADO ROCKIES

Concurrent Session #4—C
Peak 6-10

What does transportation planning have to do with managing recreation and natural resources? In the past several years, Rocky Mountain National Park, Arapahoe Roosevelt National Forest, and the Town of Estes Park have been working on better managing visitors to address resource impacts as well as improve the visitor experience. This session will highlight efforts to manage congestion through shuttle systems as well as future park-and-ride lots and traveler information systems. The session will also highlight recent research in the Bear Lake area of Rocky Mountain National Park that quantifies the unintended resource and visitor experience impacts of providing a shuttle system.

Session lead: John Daigle, Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in Parks Technical Assistance Center and the University of Maine Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department

Session Presenters:
- Larry Gamble, Chief, Branch of Planning and Compliance, Rocky Mountain National Park
- Scott Zurn, Public Works Director, Town of Estes Park
- Natalie Villwock-Witte, Research Scientist, Western Transportation Institute and Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in Parks Technical Assistance Center (TAC)
- Jenni West, TAC Manager, Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in Parks Technical Assistance Center and Western Transportation Institute

RIDE THE OHV TREND AND CONNECT AMERICANS TO THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Concurrent Session #4—D
Peak 11-12

Off highway vehicle (OHV) recreation is one of the fastest growing activities that connect Americans to the great outdoors. OHV recreation has evolved from a small number of thrill seekers to a worldwide phenomena involving recreationists of all ages and abilities. Subsequently, the explosion of OHV recreation in the past 15 years has driven the need for planning and decision making by land management agencies. However, finding a way to “turn the corner” of visitors creating OHV routes is a big challenge. In order to face this challenge and make better decisions, we must have a better understanding of the OHV enthusiast and the recreation experience they seek.

While many see OHV recreation as a management challenge, others see the opportunity to embrace these enthusiasts and work with them in a collaborative manner as stewards of the land. This panel will discuss the evolving role of OHV recreation and how we can achieve success by simultaneously providing a high quality network of trails that meets desired recreational experiences and demand, limits impacts to resources, and minimizes conflicts with other recreationists. The panel will also discuss examples of innovative techniques in route inventory, analysis, public outreach, design, alternatives development and the evaluation process that has resulted in on the ground success.

Session Leads: Chad Schneckenburger, Outdoor Recreation Planner, BLM - White River Field Office, Colorado. Drew Stoll, Senior Recreation Planner with AECOM (formerly EDAW), Fort Collins, Colorado.
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- Jack Placchi, State Trails and Travel Management Coordinator for BLM in Colorado (Invited)
- Scott Dollus, Outdoor Recreation Manager, South Platte Ranger District, Pike and San Isabel National Forests, Cimarron and Comanche National Grassland
- Rick Leflore, Assistant Chief, State Park Superintendent, California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division Headquarters
- John Bongiovanni, President, Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 25**

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Don’t miss this popular conference tradition. Enjoy dinner, drinks and your chance to bring home some unique items! Expect some surprises from auctioneer and NARRP President, Rick Just. Dinner will start at approximately 7:15 PM.
MANAGEMENT OF DILLON RESERVOIR
Field Workshop #1
Meet at Hotel Entrance

The Dillon Reservoir field workshop will be hosted by the Dillon Reservoir Recreation Area Committee (DRReC). Participants will learn and have a chance to discuss the innovative DRReC and how it was organized and operates; funding; marina management; law enforcement; special event management; water storage management; visitor behavior and management; aquatic species; campground concessions management, and nearby resource issues such as wildfire mitigation, pine beetle infestation, and adjacent land use planning. The workshop will include a pontoon tour of the lake (weather and ice permitting) from the Dillon Marina (www.dillonmarina.com).

Capacity:  Min 10 and Max 22

Participant cost:  $50 (excluding personal lunch costs)

The Dillon Reservoir Recreation Area Committee (DRReC), comprised of representatives from Summit County Government, United States Forest Service, Denver Water Board, Town of Frisco and Town of Dillon, is charged to protect, preserve and manage these recreational lands and waters within the Dillon Reservoir Recreation Area (DRRA) for the benefit and enjoyment of the citizens and visitors to Summit County.

Located at an elevation of 9,017 feet, Dillon Reservoir is the Denver Water Board’s largest water storage facility. It is also a recreational icon for Summit County with 3,233 surface acres and 26.8 miles of shoreline, providing a spectrum of activities from camping, fishing, hunting, sightseeing, picnicking, power boating, sailing, canoe/kayaking, hiking, cross-country skiing, snowkiting and stand up paddle-boarding. Due to the cold-water temperatures and water quality concerns, water contact, including swimming, scuba diving, waterskiing and other water contact related activities, are prohibited. There are two full service marinas, at Dillon and Frisco Bay, 325 campsites at five campgrounds, and 13 miles of non-motorized trails. The Summit County Sheriff’s Office staffs the boat patrol on Dillon Reservoir seven days a week, from Memorial Day through Labor Day, and provides additional staffing for special events.

Special considerations:  The field workshop will include shoreline walking and a pontoon tour of Dillon Reservoir. Warm clothes, wind breaker, hat, gloves, and extra personal snacks are advised. Ice on the lake and strong winds may change the program. Participants will stop at a local restaurant for lunch. This is expected to be a day-long workshop. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center.

Point of Contact:  Brad Eckert

Departure:  9:00 am
BRECKENRIDGE HERITAGE TOURISM: THEN AND NOW
Field Workshop #2
Meet at Hotel Entrance

Spend the day with the Breckenridge Heritage Alliance visiting historic mine sites, hiking along the trails traveled by prospectors more than 100 years ago, and seeing our National Historic District – one of the largest in the state.

Capacity: Min 5 and Max 25

Participant cost: $25 (excluding personal lunch costs)

Schedule: French Gulch Hike 9:15 a.m. to 12 p.m; Lunch 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m; Breckenridge Guided Walking & Museum Tour: 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Start the day with a hike along the trails of French Gulch, which pass through Breckenridge’s fabled “Golden Horseshoe”, one of Colorado’s most fertile mining regions. The initial strikes here gave birth to Breckenridge in 1859. For close to a century, the town’s fortunes were largely driven by the Golden Horseshoe’s output. See how mining reshaped the landscape, hear about the prospectors who worked the surrounding hills, learn about a new interpretive sign project in French Gulch, and find out about the Golden Horseshoe Travel Management Plan.

After lunch, meet at the Breckenridge Welcome Center for a guided walking tour of the National Historic District. The walking tour will include a stop at the Edwin Carter Museum, which recently underwent a complete rehabilitation. Natural history lovers are invited to take an interactive and interpretive adventure dedicated to the legacy of Colorado’s famous log cabin naturalist--Professor Edwin Carter. The “new” museum recently won awards from the Colorado Historical Society, the American Association of Museums and the National Association of Interpretation.

The “Breckenridge Then and Now” field workshop will be sponsored by the Breckenridge Heritage Alliance, a non-profit organization that was founded by the Breckenridge Town Council in 2006 to manage and promote Breckenridge’s historical sites and tours. Participants will learn about Breckenridge’s heritage tourism program – operations, funding, partnerships and innovative programming. See some of the community’s most recent historic preservation and interpretation projects during this day-long tour. For more information, go to www.breckheritage.com.

Special considerations: The field workshop will take place rain, snow or shine. Please wear appropriate footwear for hiking. Warm clothes, wind breaker, hat, and gloves are also recommended. Participants will have their choice of local restaurants for lunch. This is projected to be a ¾ day workshop. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center. Participants can enjoy a stroll back to Beaver Run Conference Center or hop on the Breck FREERIDE Shuttle.

Point of Contact: Larissa O’Neil

Departure: 9:00 am
CUCUMBER GULCH PRESERVE: BRECKENRIDGE’S CROWN JEWEL OPEN SPACE
Field Workshop #3
Meet at Hotel Entrance

Grab your hiking boots and join us for a tour of the most biologically diverse area in Breckenridge! Participants will tour Cucumber Gulch Preserve and then enjoy lunch on their own in downtown Breckenridge. The session will conclude with a 1-hour guided walking tour with a local expert through the nationally-recognized Historic District of Breckenridge.

Capacity: Max 16

Participant cost: $25 (excluding personal lunch costs)

Cucumber Gulch Preserve, identified by the Environmental Protection Agency as an Aquatic Resource of National Importance (ARNI), is a fen wetland complex located within the Breckenridge town limits, steps away from the busiest ski area in North America. In this high alpine valley, Cucumber Gulch serves as high quality habitat for moose, elk, beaver, muskrat, migratory songbirds, the boreal toad (a State of Colorado species of concern), and many other species. The Town of Breckenridge sales tax-based open space program was founded in large part to protect the irreplaceable wetland complex of Cucumber Gulch from encroaching development.

The field workshop will provide an overview of the Town of Breckenridge’s open space and trails program while exploring this crown jewel open space. Presenters will discuss the challenges of balancing the management of summer and winter trail networks, a recent mountain pine beetle infestation, historical cabins, the “Breckconnect” gondola operations, ski area base development, and an extensive wildlife monitoring program, with the overarching goal of balancing recreation opportunities with protecting the fen wetlands in the Cucumber Gulch Preserve.

Special considerations: The field workshop will go rain, snow or shine. Please be prepared to walk over uneven and wet terrain. Warm clothes, waterproof shoes, wind breaker, gloves, hat, water and a personal snack are recommended. Participants will be responsible for their lunch costs prior to the downtown tour. This field workshop is anticipated to be ¾ day in length. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center. Participants can enjoy a stroll back to Beaver Run Conference Center or hop on the Breck FREERIDE Shuttle.

Point of Contact: Scott Reid

Departure: 9:00 am
Come see Vail Pass, one of the most beautiful spots in Colorado. Then coast down 12 miles of the paved recreational path system down to the historic town of Frisco on a new Trek bicycle provided by The Mountain Wave (www.mtnwavesnowboards.com)

**Capacity:** Min 10 and Max 22

**Participant cost:** $65 (excluding personal lunch costs)

**Vail Pass** is very popular and draws outdoor recreation enthusiasts during the winter and summer. In years past, the type and number of different recreationists lead to user conflicts and loss in the quality of visitor experiences. As a result, a significant collaborative planning effort led to the development of a management plan for motorized and non-motorized recreational uses on Vail Pass. The area now has a fee system and designated use zones, along with snowmobile and snowcat access routes. You will meet with a recreation staff person from the White River National Forest to learn about the planning effort, its history, current visitor use management program and the lessons learned.

While you will be shuttled to the top of Vail Pass in a van, you will be thrilled by a 12-miles scenic downhill coast from the summit of Vail Pass to the town of Frisco. This 12-mile paved recreational path is well maintained as a part of the impressive Summit County Recreational Path System. There is no special skill level necessary for this lifetime biking memory. You will be hosted by The Mountain Wave (www.mtnwavesnowboards.com) and provided a new Trek bicycle and helmet. Go slow and enjoy the spectacular scenery. Stop for a snack or beverage along the path or in Copper Mountain. There are many restaurants in Frisco for lunch. Upon returning to Frisco, you will board a shuttle back to Breckenridge — arrangements will be explained by the Mountain Wave staff.

**Special considerations:** At this elevation and time of year, you need to plan for sun, rain and snow. Bring a small day-pack with some extra clothes, gloves, hat, scarves, water and snacks. The ride (coast) takes about 2 hours depending on stops. Call Mountain Wave at 800-453-3050 for additional details. You might also Google the Vail Pass Winter Recreation Area for maps and more information. There is a chance weather or avalanche conditions will require that the trip be delayed later in the day or even canceled. And lastly, the only way down from Vail Pass is by bicycle. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center.

**Point of Contact:** Brenda Adams-Weyant

**Departure:** 9:00 am
This field workshop will be an intensive 7-hour session to train professionals in the practical use and application of the Water and Land Recreation Opportunity Spectrum System (WALROS). WALROS is a tool for resource managers developed by the Bureau of Reclamation in cooperation with various state and federal public land and water agencies. This workshop will be the inaugural roll-out of the 2nd edition version of WALROS, formerly known as WROS.

**Capacity:** Min 10 and Max 22

**Participant cost:** $55 (excluding personal lunch costs)

**The goal of WALROS** is to provide managers with a framework and procedure for making better decisions for conserving a spectrum of high quality and diverse water recreation opportunities. More specifically, WALROS is a management tool to assist in the inventory, planning, and management of lakes, reservoirs, wetlands, estuaries, bays, rivers, tidal basins, coastal zone areas, and marine protected areas, along with the surrounding land areas. WALROS is a tool to help understand and map the type and location of six types of water-related recreation opportunities: urban, suburban, rural developed, rural natural, semi primitive, primitive.

The field workshop will begin with a **2-hour PowerPoint training session** at the conference center. Copies of the handbook and inventory protocol will be provided. Later in the day (weather, ice and wind permitting), the workshop will relocate to the Dillon Reservoir where the group will “practice” using the WALROS inventory to map the water and land resources of the recreation area. Participants will launch from the Dillon Marina (www.dillonmarina.com) and have a chance to practice the WALROS inventory at 3-4 sites.

**Drs. Aukerman and Haas**, lead developers of WALROS, and several experienced WALROS professionals, will teach the course. There will be quality time for discussion, questions and personal learning.

**Special considerations:** The field workshop will include shoreline walking and a pontoon tour of Dillon Reservoir. Warm clothes, wind breaker, gloves, water and personal snacks are recommended. Ice on the lake or strong winds may change the program to the indoors and along the shoreline. Participants will stop at a local restaurant for lunch. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center.

**Point of Contact:** Glenn Haas

**Meet-up Time:** 9:00 am
TOP OF THE ROCKIES NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY
Field Workshop #6
Meet at Hotel Entrance

Tour some of the highlights of the Top of the Rockies National Scenic Byway, including the Climax Mine Interpretive Site, Hayden Ranch near Leadville, and Interlaken at Twin Lakes.

Capacity: Min 15 and Max 35

Participant cost: $55 (includes water, snacks and lunch)

Physical Activity/Terrain: High altitude (over 12,000 feet) and light walking

Contact: Cathy Patti, 970-376-3324, Chris Sporl 303-275-5168 or Mark Fuller, 970-963-4959, www.topoftherockiesbyway.org

The Top of the Rockies Byway field workshop winds through the heart of Colorado’s historic high country mining districts with expansive view of Colorado’s two highest peaks and numerous other 13,000- and 14,000-foot peaks. Come experience the beautiful scenic vistas and rousing history of one of Colorado’s highest byways. The first stop is the Climax Mine Interpretive Site at the top of Fremont Pass, across from the Climax Molybdenum Mine. Areas of interest include the tailings pond and an award winning program for waste. The wayside was a cooperative project between the Byway and Freeport McMoran, Inc. Our journey will pass through the City of Leadville, the nation’s highest incorporated city. In Leadville, portions of three historic railroad grades are now part of an 11-mile loop called the Mineral Belt Bike Trail.

The field workshop’s next stop is Hayden Ranch and the Hayden Meadow Recreation Area in the Arkansas Valley, where you’ll hear the remarkable story of this ranch and its preservation. This cooperative effort included nearly thirty agencies. The Hayden Ranch is on the National Register of Historic Places and the Hayden Meadow Recreation Area features an historic bridge, a fully-accessible nature trail, and a manmade lake for County water storage and fishing.

Lunch will be in Twin Lakes, a tiny, scenic community at the base of Colorado’s highest peak, Mt. Elbert. Following lunch, the session will continue with Interlaken, a resort from the late 1800s. There will also be discussions on the work of the Independence Pass Foundation, including preservation and reclamation projects, as well as the history of the Independence Ghost Town and the Independence Pass area. A portion of this byway, Independence Pass, is seasonally closed until Memorial Day weekend.

Special considerations: Bring extra clothing, proper shoes, and be prepared for mountain weather (temperature extremes and sudden precipitation.) Drink water and limit caffeinated drinks. Shuttle service provided from Beaver Run Conference Center.

Point of Contact: Lenore Bates

Departure: 8:30 am
Wednesday, May 25 8:00 am—5:00 pm

Piecing It Together: Effective Tools to Create Meaningful Outdoor Experiences
Field Workshop #7
Meet at Hotel Entrance

At Keystone Science School, we’ve been committed to connecting citizens to the natural environment for 35 years. We’ve worked with inner-city students who’d never seen a forest before and adults who grew up on the ski slopes and believe they know all there is to know about the outdoors. In every case, we’ve strived to help create the ‘aha’ moments that foster respect and lasting appreciation for the natural, historic, and cultural resources around us.

During this one-day workshop, we’ll guide you through an interactive process that will help you identify resources, brainstorm tools, and organize an efficient framework as you deliberate ways to connect citizens to the outdoors. We’ll share the challenges we’ve faced and our successful methods for thinking through the crafting of dynamic, appealing program offerings.

Capacity: Min 10 and Max 26

Participant cost: $40 (includes lunch)

The workshop will feature three components:

1. Hike it Out: We’ll ‘walk our talk’ as we begin the day outside on a scenic Summit County hike. As we explore the backcountry, we’ll share stories and conduct fun exercises to get you thinking about the elements of a successful initiative.

2. (Net)Working Lunch: Re-fuel with a hearty lunch as we engage in group discussion and guide you through exercises that showcase our tested methods for creating partnerships, tapping resources, and creating innovative, appealing programs.

3. Experience Education: Take a tour of Keystone Science School’s campus and see for yourself how we’ve found success in connecting participants to the outdoors.

Since 1976, Keystone Science School has taught scientific principles and leadership skills to young people, teachers, and community members through engaging hands-on field experiences. Our programs include camps for children 5-17, resident school programs for school groups, and retreats and workshops for college, professional, and community groups.

Located at 9,200 feet on the site of Old Keystone Village in Keystone, Colorado, our historic 23-acre campus serves as home base for our programs. Participants from all over the world have joined us to explore hundreds of miles of local trails and streams, summit peaks, and explore Colorado’s backcountry as they get out of the classroom and into the outdoors.

Call 970-468-2098 with any questions. For more information about Keystone Science School, visit keystonescienceschool.org.

Special considerations: Be prepared for an extended hike with warm layers, rain gear, sunscreen, and at least one liter of water. Hikes will accommodate all ability levels. Bring paper and a pen or pencil for note-taking, and be ready to share.

Point of Contact: Ellen Reid

Departure: 8:00 am
ARKANSAS RIVER RAFTING—COOPERATIVE LAND AND OUTDOOR RECREATION MANAGEMENT
Field Workshop #8
Meet at Hotel Entrance

Come enjoy a unique Colorado rafting experience in the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area (AHRA) while learning how this popular river corridor is cooperatively managed for outdoor recreation, wildlife, and both consumptive and non-consumptive water use.

Participants of all skill levels will be accommodated, including “first timers.” For more information about the AHRA and Kodi Rafting feel free to visit: http://parks.state.co.us (and select Arkansas Headwaters) or http://www.whitewatercolorado.com.

Capacity: Min 20 and Max 40

Participant cost: $115 (includes lunch)

Schedule: Hotel departure at 8 a.m. Put-in at about 10:15 a.m. Several informative stops as well as a shore lunch along the way. Take out at 3:00 p.m. with return to hotel by 5:00 p.m.

Colorado State Parks, BLM staff, and river guides from Kodi Rafting will start participants off at Fishing Bridge (below Buena Vista) and take out at Hecla Junction (above Salida). Staff and guides will provide participants first-hand insight into how this popular river corridor is cooperatively managed for outdoor recreation, wildlife, and both consumptive and non-consumptive water use. You’ll also learn about how commercial boating is managed via a Special Use Agreement and the River Outfitter Licensing Program, citizen oversight of river management, and future management challenges such as the proposed Over The River project by artists Christo and Jeanne-Claude. Of course, your raft will stop at key locations to enjoy the spectacular scenery and enjoy a healthy shore lunch!!

The Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area (AHRA) is jointly managed by Colorado State Parks and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service and the Colorado Division of Wildlife. AHRA is recognized as one of the nation’s most popular locations for whitewater rafting and kayaking. The Arkansas River is also known as one of Colorado’s premier Brown Trout fly-fishing streams, attracting anglers from around the country. AHRA visitors also enjoy hiking, camping, picnicking, wildlife watching, mountain biking, rock climbing, and even gold panning within this 150-mile long recreation area.

Special considerations: Participants should bring their shorts/swim suit, warm clothes such as fleece pants and a shirt/jacket (no cotton), sandals/water shoes (no flip-flops), sunscreen, and extra personal snacks for the raft trip. Cost includes travel to AHRA from Beaver Run Conference Center, rafting equipment, wet suit, splash jacket, booties, shore lunch, and a drink. While this is a popular time of year for rafting, weather may be unpredictable and participants should be prepared for any variety of weather conditions.

Point of Contact: Look for KODI Rafting Company contact

Departure: 8:00 am
SELF-GUIDED AND SELF-PACED OPTIONS

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Activities can be as simple as enjoying the day in this scenic mountain town - hiking or biking the roads on the ski hills, walking the historic streets of town, people-watching with a hot cup of coffee. Or for the more adventurous, this time of year can be a great time to test your skill on some wild river rapids!

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THURSDAY, MAY 26

8:00 am — 9:30 am

Plenary: Outdoor Recreation Industry
- Craig Mackey, Director of Recreation Policy, Outdoor Industry Association
- Mike Collins, Vice President, Public Affairs, REI
- Brook Shinski, Outdoor Participation & Community Development Manager, North Face
- Amy Roberts, Vice President of Government Affairs, Outdoor Industry Association

Location: Peak 4&5

9:30 am — 10:00 am

Peak 1-3

10:00 am — 11:30 am

Plenary: State of America’s State Parks
- Joe Elton, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
- Dean Winstanley, Colorado State Parks Director
- Charles Salkin, Delaware State Parks Director
- Becky Kelley, Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites Director

Location: Peak 4&5

11:30 am — 1:30 pm

America’s Great Outdoors Initiative Luncheon

Location: Peak 17

1:30 pm — 2:30 pm

Plenary: Implementing the America’s Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative
- Honorable Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Chair of the Interagency AGO Coordinating Council, Washington DC.

Location: Peak 4&5

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2:30 pm — 3:00 pm  **Break**  
Location: Peak 1-3

3:00 pm — 4:30 pm  **Plenary: AGO Response**  
Location: Peak 4&5
   - Bob Ratcliffe, Deputy Assistant Director for Renewable Resources and Planning Directorate, BLM
   - Joe Elton, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
   - Rick Just, NARRP President, Chief Planner at Idaho State Parks
   - Frank Hugelmeyer, President, Outdoor Industry Association

4:30 pm — 5:00 pm  **Closing Session**  
Location: Peak 4&5
   - Newly Elected NARRP President
Outdoor recreation is big business in America. American lifestyles are deeply imbued in nature and outdoor experiences; the public lands, parks and infrastructure that provide those experiences; and the economic, health and other benefits emanating from outdoor recreation. The outdoor industry and our customers value and benefit from the good planning and stewardship of our great outdoors.

This plenary session will have two purposes. First, it will report on OIA studies on the economic impacts of active outdoor recreation in America. The industry’s economic reach is broad and deep and all resource professionals need to conversant in the economic data and benefits. Second, the session will provide a “corporate” perspective on how the America’s Great Outdoors recommendations can be implemented, and how the private and public sectors can work together to ensure the future of active lifestyles in our great outdoors.

Founded in 1989, Outdoor Industry Association (OIA) is the premier trade association for the active outdoor recreation industry. OIA provides trade services for over 4,000 suppliers, manufacturers, and retailers. OIA seeks to ensure a healthy and diverse specialty retail and supply chain based on quality, innovation and service. To this end, OIA works diligently to raise the standards of the industry; increase participation in outdoor recreation; promote sustainable practices; and represent member interests in the legislative/regulatory process.

Session presenters:
• Craig Mackey, Director of Recreation Policy, Outdoor Industry Association
• Mike Collins, Vice President, Public Affairs, REI
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State Park directors from around the country will discuss the critical role that state parks play in connecting Americans to the outdoors while providing a clear and concise assessment of the State of America’s State Parks. Other key elements of this session will include:

- Brief history of State Parks, the “niche” they fill, and why State Parks are more important than ever in terms of statewide and national initiatives to connect families to the outdoors
- To continue providing the services and programs citizens want and need to address current financial challenges
- Highlight long-term positioning strategies to address current and future challenges
- Efforts to raise the overall “awareness” of state parks nationwide
- What’s at stake?

Session presenters:

- **Joe Elton**, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
- **Dean Winstanley**, Colorado State Parks Director
- **Charles Salkin**, Delaware State Parks Director
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On April 16, 2010, President Obama launched the America’s Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative and charged the Secretaries of the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality to develop a 21st-century conservation and recreation agenda that addresses these challenges. AGO takes as its premise that lasting conservation solutions should rise from the American people—that the protection of our natural heritage is a non-partisan objective shared by all Americans. Through listening sessions and outreach, AGO launched a robust public conversation about the future of conservation in America.

The result is a call for a grassroots approach to protecting our lands and waters and connecting all Americans to their natural and cultural heritage. AGO seeks to empower all Americans—citizens, young people, and representatives of community groups; the private sector; nonprofit organizations; and local, state, and tribal governments—to share in the responsibility to conserve, restore, and provide better access to our lands and waters in order to leave a healthy, vibrant outdoor legacy for generations yet to come.

This presentation will discuss next steps related to the AGO Initiative and ideas for long-term funding to support implementation. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and share thoughts about how everyone can move this important effort forward. The complete report can be viewed online at: www.americasgreatoutdoors.gov

Session presenter:
- Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Chair of the Interagency AGO Coordinating Council, Washington DC.

Panelists will discuss how the AGO Initiative might translate to the local, state, and national levels. Are there opportunities where we can play a greater role in connecting families to the outdoors? How can the outdoor industry, non profit organizations, and government agencies lead the way in addressing this important issue?

Session presenters:
- Bob Ratcliffe, Deputy Assistant Director for Renewable Resources and Planning Directorate, BLM
- Joe Elton, NASPD President, Virginia State Parks Director
The new elected NARRP President will reflect on outcomes from the conference and offer closing remarks.

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Beaver Run Resort Restaurants

Spencer’s Steaks and Spirits
- Breakfast and Lunch Buffets
- Dinner featuring All-You-Can-Eat Prime Rib
- Located on the second floor of the conference center

Copper Top Lounge & Café
- Contemporary bar with martini menu
- Flat screen TVs
- Free championship billiard tables
- Free WiFi

Skywalk Market
- Starbucks coffee, breakfast sandwiches/pastries
- Made-to-order sandwiches, soups & salads, pizza
- Groceries, gifts and souvenirs

Select Restaurants within a 15 minute walk

9600 Grill
- American cuisine serves breakfast and dinner
- Charming mountain ambiance.
- 550 Village Rd., (970) 547-5540

Breckenridge Brewery
- Serves Lunch and Dinner
- Local Brewery
- 600 S. Main Street, (970) 453-1550
Select Restaurants within a 15 minute walk

**Bubba Gump Shrimp Co.**
- At the core, we are a small chain of seafood restaurants committed to providing a casual environment where everyone can enjoy a great meal and have some fun too.
- Serves lunch and dinner.
- 231 S. Main St, (970) 547-9000

**Burke & Riley’s Irish Pub**
- Irish pub specialties and traditional American fare
- Serves lunch and dinner
- 520 S. Main St, (970) 547-2782

**Crêpes À La Cart**
- All in one gourmet fast food, fresh, healthy and decadently delicious
- 307 S. Main Street, (970) 451-4022

**The Dredge Restaurant & Bar**
- The Dredge is a two million pound floating restaurant designed as a replica of one of Summit County's largest and longest operating dredges.
- Reservations recommended
- 180 Jefferson Ave, (970) 547-1801

**Empire Burger**
- “What is Empire Burger? The concept is simple - the desire to build a better burger!”
- Open 11 am — 1 am
- 520 S. Main Street, (970) 453-2329

**Lucha Colorado Cantina**
- Fresh tacos, burritos, & more
- Open 11 am — 2 am+
- 500 S Main Street, (970) 453-1342
Select Restaurants within a 15 minute walk

Mi Casa Mexican Restaurant & Cantina
- Bring the whole family to dine in our cozy Hacienda and enjoy fresh Mexican Cuisine.
- Serves lunch and dinner.
- 600 S. Park Ave, (970) 453-2017

Mountain Flying Fish
- Sushi Bar & Asian Kitchen
- Open Tuesday—Sunday 5 pm to close.
- 500 S. Main St—top floor, (970) 453-1502

My Thai
- Open daily from 12 pm - 9 pm
- 500 S. Main Street, (970) 547-2887

Park Avenue Pub
- Daily Happy Hour specials.
- The Pub menu offers a variety of snacks and appetizers.
- Open every day from 3pm – late night.
- 605 S. Park Ave, (970) 453-5139

Rasta Pasta
- “Our heaping portions will fill you up without leaving a dent in your wallet.”
- Serves lunch and dinner.
- 411 S. Main Street, (970) 453-7467
Summit County is Colorado’s playground. Besides the beautiful scenery there are activities in all directions. So take advantage of everything this area has to offer and make the most of your time in Colorado! Beaver Run Resort’s Concierge is an excellent source of information and can arrange all of your activities at no additional cost. For more detailed information and reservations or if you just have some general questions, they can be reached at (800) 288-1282 or in house at 8744, and ask for the Concierge!

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**Other Great Sources of Information:**
- [www.summitcountryexplores.com](http://www.summitcountryexplores.com)
- [www.townoffrisco.com](http://www.townoffrisco.com)
- [www.townofBreckenridge.com](http://www.townofBreckenridge.com)
- [www.beaverrun.com](http://www.beaverrun.com)

**Other pre/post trips for consideration:**
- Rocky Mountain National Park
- Glenwood Springs/Colorado River/Aspen Area
- Black Canyon of the Gunnison
- Great Sand Dunes National Park
- Crested Butte/Gunnison
- Denver Museums and Attractions (The Colorado Rockies play at home after conference)
- Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs

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**Just hang around the town of Breckenridge!**

Enjoy the day in this scenic mountain town - hike or bike the roads on the ski hills, walk the history streets of town, people-watch with a hot cup of coffee.

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**Transportation**

Within most of Breckenridge, Beaver Run Resort’s hotel shuttle will take you where you would like to go. The town trolley and circulator bus also run throughout Breckenridge. These shuttle systems are free of charge. Within Summit County, the Summit Stage has stops in Breckenridge, Frisco, Dillon, Keystone, Silverthorne and Copper Mountain. These shuttle systems are free of charge.
**Just a short Drive Away! - or take the Shuttle!**

- **Continental Divide**—travel a short 10 miles south on Highway 9 to Hoosier Pass and span the Continental Divide. Enjoy some spectacular high country hiking from the parking lot.

- **South Park National Heritage Area**—travel south over Hoosier Pass into Park County and the newly established South Park National Heritage Area; stop in the historic town of Fairplay and visit South Park City—a self-guided historic town-museum; buy a South Park momento in the South Park Bead story on Front Street; drive north on Highway 287 from Fairplay to the tiny town of Como to see the historic roundhouse; marvel at the incredible South Park vistas along Highway 287 at Kenosha Pass.

- **Eagle River Valley**—travel northwest on Interstate 70 over Vail Pass to the towns of Vail, Avon, and Beaver Creek—wander these modern ski towns, hike on the ski slopes, take the Gondola ride to the top of Vail Mountain to visit the Walking Mountains Science School Discovery Center—think about walking down...or not!

- **Minturn, Redcliff, and Gilman**—drive northwest on Interstate 70 over Vail Pass and then turn south on Highway 24 and travel through Minturn, Red Cliff and the historic ghost town of Gilman. Stop at historic Camp Hale where the 10th Mountain Division prepared in WWII. On a sunny day you can catch a glimpse of the Mount of the Holy Cross—photographed by William Henry Jackson. Travel on to Leadville the famous mining town and location of the National Mining Museum. You can return from Leadville on Highway 91 to Copper Mountain.

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**Whitewater Rafting**

Shoot the rapids on the Arkansas and Clear Creek Rivers or enjoy the beautiful Colorado countryside while floating the Colorado River. Transportation can be provided. The cost is $46 to $98 depending on age, length of trip, and area rafted.

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**ATV Tours**

Explore the backcountry of the Rockies on an All Terrain Vehicle. Ride your own ATV with an informative guide leading the way. Enjoy scenic views, historic landmarks, and possibly wildlife sightings. 2-hour tours are $105 for a single $160 for a double. Lunch tours also available. Drive time is 1 hour.

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**Fly Fishing**

Experience the Breckenridge area's gold-medal rivers with a professional fly fishing guide. Whether a novice or veteran angler, they will teach you how, show you where, and take you there! Prices for a half-day trip are $170 for the first angler and $55 for each additional angler. There is a maximum of three people per guide.
Golf
Choose from five beautiful courses that Summit County has to offer. Breckenridge Golf Club is a Jack Nicklaus designed course and is priced at $115 for 18 holes including cart. Raven Golf Club is priced at $139 for 18 holes including cart. Copper Creek Golf Club is priced at $79 for 18 holes including cart. Keystone also has the Ranch and River Courses, priced at $130 & $160. Depending on the course, tee times can be made 4-7 days in advance. Pricing varies for groups, high and low seasons and twilight golf.

The Spa at Beaver Run
Come and relax at the newly renovated luxurious spa where trained professionals can help relieve the stresses and pains that result from a hard day on the slopes. The Spa at Beaver Run is conveniently located at the base of Peak 9. The outdoor patio offers two hot tubs, a Watsu therapy pool, and spectacular mountain views. Choose from 30 min, 60 min, or 90 minute massages either Swedish or Deep Tissue style massages are available. Wellness, Altitude Sickness, Sports, and Pregnancy Massages are also available. The Spa also offers waxing, facials, Oxygen Treatment, Watsu-Aquatic Therapy, Hot Stone Treatments, Micro Buff Body Polish, Dead Sea Salt Glow, Seaweed Body Mud, Black Baltic Body Mud, as well as Manicures and Pedicures. Choose from a Fresh Air, Head to Toe, Head to Toe Express, Deluxe Mountain Escape, Imperial, or Mountain Wave package to really treat yourself to a relaxing day. Please make reservations at extension 8757 or 8758

Theater
The Backstage Theater provides a great live production in a small theater setting. Please check with the Concierge for their varied performance schedule.

Carriage Rides
Take a pleasurable ride through the historical streets of Breckenridge in your own personal white Cinderella carriage pulled by Black Percheron Draft Horses. A 30-minute tour is $60 for up to 9 people.
Gold Mine Tours
The Country Boy Mine takes you under the ground 1,000 feet to see how miner’s made their Millions. Try your hand at gold panning in Eureka Creek and take home some gold. Tours are approximately 45 minutes long and cost $18.95 for adults and $12.95 for kids. Drive time is 10 minutes or the hotel shuttle can take you. Hayrides are also available at the Country Boy Mine.

Horseback Riding
Whether you want a gentle walk, or a full blown cattle drive, Colorado by horseback can not be beat! Breakfast rides are also available. Stables are as close as 1 mile away. Prices range depending on the tour.

Hot Air Balloon Rides
Imagine soaring with the eagles while taking in breathtaking views of the Rocky Mountains. Colorado Rocky Mountain Ballooning offers a once in a lifetime experience! Priced at $225 per person. Transportation may be provided.

Gambling
Blackhawk and Central City are 1½ hours away. Aces and Eights Casino Coach provides round trip excursions for $50 per person featuring four and one half hours of the very best casino entertainment that the 24 Colorado casinos have to offer. Reservations required.

Historical Tours
Breckenridge has a rich history and many historical sites are still present throughout the town. Join the knowledgeable guides on a historical tour. Walking Tours include the Breckenridge Historic District, Washington Gold Mine Tour, Lomax Placer Gulch Tour & Slide Show, the 1875 Edwin Carter Museum and the Barney Ford Museum. Walking tours are priced at $5 for adults and $3 for children and the museums are free.
Hiking
Beautiful hiking trails can be found throughout Summit County or take advantage of an experienced guide leading the way. Guided hikes can range from 2 hours to a full day 14,000-foot mountain hike.

Ice Skating
For indoor skating and hockey call the Breckenridge Ice Arena (547-9974) or Concierge for public ice times. Equipment rentals, lessons and kids skating aids are available.

Jeep (off-road) Adventures
Spend the day exploring Colorado's back roads and off-road trails while you drive your own Jeep Wrangler. Jeeps are located here at Beaver Run and are rented through Mountain High Rentals. $180 per day. Prices includes an emergency cell phone and maps to point you in the right direction.

Pottery Painting
Ready! Paint! Fire! Paint your own pottery pieces and they will fire them for you. A variety of pottery pieces are available. Take a great reminder of your time here home with you. A nice, relaxing activity. Great for a rainy (or snowy) day!

Recreation Center
Breckenridge Recreation Center offers a variety of activities. Tennis, racquetball, running track, swimming, rock climbing walls, skateboard park, aerobics, free weights, circuit weights and cardiovascular equipment. Day passes are $10.00.

Skateboarding
Try out the skateboard park at the Breckenridge Recreation Center. Need Lessons? No problem. $45/hour for 1 to 4 people, ages 5 years and up. Rental boards available.

Train Rides
Take a ride on the historic Georgetown Loop through the mountains to the Lebanon Silver Mine for an underground exploration. Daily departures are $21.50 for adults and $16.50 for children. With mine tours are $29.50 for adults and $22.50 for children. Drive time is 45 minutes. Ask about Wild West Train Rides with Alpenglow Adventure Train Tours for half day to full day excursions! Prices start at $89.50 for adults, $59.50 for children including transportation.
** Commodns Building **

**First Level**
- **Indoor**
  - Front Desk/Lobby
  - Real Estate
  - Breckenridge Sports Retail Store
  - Base Nine Bar
  - Receiving/Shipping
  - Breckenridge Ballroom
  - Meeting Rooms Peak 14 - 17

- **Outdoor**
  - Complimentary Guest Shuttle
  - Breckenridge Sports Ski & Board Rentals
  - Lift Tickets
  - Day Care/ Kid’s Ski School
  - Ski Storage

**Second Level**
- Spencer’s Restaurant & Lounge
- CopperTop Café
- Summit Gallery - Meeting Rooms Peak 6-12

**Third Level**
- Walkway to Guest Rooms
- Skywalk Market
- CopperTop Bar
- Conference Services Office
- Colorado Ballroom Meeting Rooms Peak 1-5

**Fourth Level**
- Imperial Ballroom
- Administrative Offices
- Sales Office

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**Lodging Buildings**

**Building 1**
- Guest Rooms - Levels 1-5
- Ice Machine - Level 5
- Walkway to Building 2 - Level 5
- The Spa at Beaver Run - Level G

**Building 2**
- Guest Rooms - Levels 1-8
- Tennis - Level A
- Back Lobby Entrance - Level 1
- Blue River Hall/Mini Golf Arcade - Level A
- Concierge/Business Center - Level A on Skywalk
- Ice Machine - Building 1, Level 5
  Building 3, Level 2
- Walkway to Building 3 - Level 2

**Building 3**
- Guest Rooms - Levels 1-8
- Pool - Level A
- Sauna - Level A
- Exercise Room - Level A
- Hot Tubs - Level A
- Laundry Room - Level 2
- Ice Machine - Level 2
- Pool Bar - Level A
- Mountain High Jeep Rentals - Level A
- Photography - Level A

**Building 4**
- Guest Rooms - Levels G-8
- Mercury Boardroom - Level G
- Pool - Level G
- Hot Tub - Level G
- Laundry Room - Level G
- Ice and Vending Machines - Level G, 3 & 5
- Ski Storage - Level G
The Conference Center meeting rooms are built with soundproof, portable walls, giving the flexibility to build room combinations based on capacity requirements.
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