

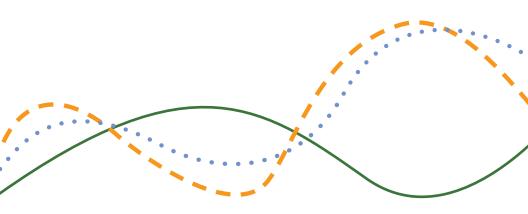
CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS CONFERENCE

LOVING OUR
TRAILS TO
DEATH



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WELCOME LETTER

Dear Trail Partners:

Welcome to the 31st Annual California Trails and Greenways Training. This event is what helps California remain a leader in trail recreation by bringing together the best and the brightest trail builders and managers in the state to share their expertise and insights each year.

Meeting in Riverside, California this year gives us a great opportunity to explore some of the challenges and opportunities facing trail managers in urban settings. Southern California is one of the most populous



regions in the country and home to hundreds of miles of trail from the interstate Pacific Crest Trail and the regional Santa Ana River Trail to the parcourse trails of our local parks.

However, managing these trails in dense, urban communities has a host of challenges not faced in more rural or wild settings. User demand, urban encroachment, changing demographics, shrinking budgets, and climate change are all taking their toll on California's trail system.

This week, we will hear from park and recreation experts about the innovative ways they are addressing the challenges of an urban environment through education, conservation, and collaboration. By working together and sharing our successes and our failures, we will work through these challenges and ensure a viable trail system for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Lisa Ann L. Mangat

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Director

WELCOME LETTER

Welcome Trail Enthusiasts!

Thanks for joining us in Riverside to share your knowledge and experience of trails with professionals from around the country.

Most of us do what we do because we love to be out on the trail, whether in the backcountry or along an urban greenway. In California we are fortunate to be able to choose from a tremendous variety of trails - from horseback riding along the coast,



to a bike ride through the desert, to a stroll through a redwood forest, to name just a few. But increasingly, our love for trails is damaging those very same trails. Many trails are becoming eroded from overuse and degraded with garbage, and our public landscapes are being crisscrossed by unauthorized or illegal trails. This year's theme, "Loving Our Trails to Death," gives us the opportunity to discuss this issue in depth, share our successes, and identify strategies to manage for the tremendous growth in popularity our trails have been experiencing.

To manage this unprecedented demand for trails, we must engage our local communities to become not just users of trails but stewards of trails. We hope this conference helps you identify new ways to engage your stakeholders by building upon your knowledge, increasing your network of colleagues, and providing tools for practical applications. Most of all, we hope this conference inspires you to continue your own efforts to support and safeguard trails throughout California.

The California Trails Conference Foundation is proud to support the California Trails & Greenways Conference. On behalf of the board of directors, thank you for your support and participation in the 31st Annual California Trails and Greenways Conference.

Enjoy your stay in Riverside!

Dave Gould, President

Dave Goods

California Trails Conference Foundation

31ST ANNUAL CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS CONFERENCE

The California Trails & Greenways Conference is hosted by California State Parks' Facilities Management Division and the California Trails Conference Foundation. This collaborative endeavor is supported by our trail partners, including other agencies, nonprofits, and businesses, to provide you with the latest in high-quality, innovative trail training and networking opportunities.

Each year the conference provides relevant training, collaboration, and inspiration that helps ensure trail stewardship and leadership for generations to come. Through this three day training, the conference fosters and improves trail systems and programs throughout California.

CALIFORNIA TRAILS CONFERENCE FOUNDATION

Founded in 1995, the California Trails Conference Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) tax deductible nonprofit organization that supports the planning and operation of the California Trails & Greenways Conference and serves as the conference's fiscal agent. The conference is self-funded and all funds raised by the Foundation are applied directly to conference costs.

The mission of the California Trails Conference Foundation is to inspire recreational trail leadership through the annual California Trails & Greenways Conference. To ensure the success of the conference, the Foundation relies on the generosity of sponsors and other donors to help offset conference costs and reduce registration fees. You do not have to be a sponsor to donate or support the Foundation—trail enthusiasts and conference supporters can also make individual contributions.

All funds collected by the Foundation are applied directly to the California Trails & Greenways Conference and are taxdeductible. If you would like to support our efforts with a tax-deductible contribution, stop by our Conference Registration Desk or visit our "**Donate**" page on the Foundation's website at www.californiatrailsconference.org for more information.

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2016 CONFERENCE THEME

"LOVING OUR TRAILS TO DEATH"

Modern trail managers are facing unprecedented challenges. Public demand, urban encroachment, shrinking budgets and climate change are all taking their toll on California's trail system. It's time to harness the public's passion to create the trail stewards of tomorrow. Join us and explore the innovative ways trail managers are addressing the challenges of today through education, conservation, and collaboration.

Over the next three days, we will draw upon the expertise of established trail professionals from all aspects of trail planning, management, and interpretation. A review of conference speakers is essentially a "who's who" of California's trail experts, and in many ways our trail heroes. For brief biographies of our presenters, our conference mobile app.

Many thanks to our presenters, who are major contributors to the conference's success, donating their time and expertise to ensure that California's legacy of trails are preserved with integrity for future generations.

CONFERENCE MOBILE APP

Our new conference interactive app will allow you to:

- View the complete event schedule, explore all of the offered sessions, and get detailed presenter information.
- Stay connected with our sponsors, exhibitors and presenters.
- Receive announcements and obtain the most up-to-date event information.
- Expand your professional network and have fun by interacting with other attendees in the app.

To download onto your smartphone or computer:

- Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store; search "2016 CA Trails Conference" or use this link: www.ddut.ch/catrails
- Log in using the same email you used for registration and the password "catrails".
- To get the most out of the networking opportunities, complete your profile and include a photo of yourself so others can find you.

Need support? Please email <u>attendeesupport@doubledutch.me</u> for a speedy response.

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Sponsored by the California Trails & Greenways Foundation

RUE MAPP

Founder/CEO, Outdoor Afro

Trail managers face increased public demand with limited resources -- so how might community partners be a conduit to harness the public's passion, while cultivating relevant engagement today and stewardship for tomorrow? Rue will share how her organization, and members of her community work with park agencies and trail stewards in innovative ways, while discovering healing and connectedness on our trails that promote community dialog and restoration for both people and places.

About Rue Mapp:

Rue Mapp is the founder of Outdoor Afro, a social community connecting African Americans with natural spaces through outdoor recreational activities. Started as a blog in 2009, Outdoor Afro has grown to capture the attention and imagination of millions through a multi-media approach,



grounded in personal connections and community organizing. In 2010, Rue was invited to the White House to participate in the America's Great Outdoors Conference, and subsequently to take part in a think-tank to inform the launch of the First Lady's "Let's Move" initiative. Rue was appointed program officer for the Stewardship Council's Foundation for Youth Investment to oversee its grant-making program from 2010-2012. Since that time, Rue's work has been featured in publications including The Wall Street Journal, Backpacker Magazine, Ebony Magazine, Sunset Magazine, and many others.

LUNCHTIME PLENARY SPEAKER

Thursday, April 7, 2016

Sponsored by the Bureau of Land Management

JOE EDMISTON

Executive Director, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy

DAVID SZYMANSKI

Superintendent of Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

CRAIG SAP

Superintendent of the Angeles District, California State Parks

"THE BACKBONE TRAIL: 65 MILES, 65 YEARS, 177 PARCELS"

Learn about the successful efforts to develop the Backbone Trail (BBT) linking nearly 450 miles of trail in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. Over 95% complete, the BBT will arguably be one of the most significant trails in Southern California. Approximately 17 million Southern Californians, nearly 50% of the state, live within an hour's drive of one of the trailheads. A mosaic of government organizations, volunteers, non-profits, and conservation corps have served as partners to amass the resources to build a regional trail through complex layers of ownership and development in the Los Angeles area. The BBT is the result of insightful planning efforts realized through persistence and flexibility. Learn how to create regional trail networks in complex environments and how to develop cooperative management.

About the Speakers:

Joseph T. Edmiston is a native of Southern California, and received his undergraduate education at East Los Angeles College and the University of Southern California. As Executive Director of the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Planning Commission he helped enact the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan that set land use policies for local governments to follow. The subsequent establishment of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy has saved 50,000 acres from the bulldozer's blade. Since 1997, Mr. Edmiston



has led the implementation of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Strategic Plan, working to provide the entire Los Angeles and Ventura County Metropolitan region with a green buffer.

Craig Sap has been the District Superintendent of the Angeles District for California State Parks since 2010. As superintendent, he is responsible for 16 state parks in Los Angeles County and parts of Ventura County. Mr. Sap oversees the program areas of resource protection, public safety, facilities management, environmental education, recreation, and administration. Prior to becoming Superintendent for the Angeles District,



Mr. Sap was the Public Safety Superintendent. He started his career with California State Parks in 1983 as a seasonal lifeguard at San Buenaventura State Beach and has worked as a State Park Lifeguard Peace Officer at both the Orange Coast and Angeles Districts and later as a State Park Ranger and Park Superintendent in the Angeles District.



David Szymanski has served as the Superintendent of Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area since 2012. He has 23 years of experience working with communities, parks, and protected areas, including 18 years with the National Park Service. Szymanski has served at Everglades National Park, Voyageurs National Park, as the Superintendent at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park and as a Bevinetto Congressional Fellow, where he spent a year working on the Senate Subcommittee on National Parks. In the 1990s, Szymanski also

spent two years working in the newly established national park system of Madagascar.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT - DINNER

Thursday, April 7, 2016

Sponsored by Alta Planning + Design

RICK GUNN

Rick Gunn is an award winning photographer, writer adventurer and public speaker based in South Lake Tahoe, California.

"SOULCYCLER"

Rick Gunn's 60-minute presentation "Soulcycler, Words and Images From a 25,811-Mile Bicycle Journey Around-The-World," combines 350 breath-taking photos from 33 countries, set to music, accompanied by a selection of uniquely emotional stories from around the globe.

Inspired by a series of formative experiences during his childhood, Gunn delivers a front-row seat to the pursuit of his lifelong dream of cycling the planet. Ultimately transformed by scenes of war, poverty, and disease along the way, Gunn begins dedicating his journey to the greater good, expanding his definition of what it means to care, to give, and to love.

Whether reporting from an orphanage in Nepal, volunteering in an AIDS hospice in Thailand, covering bomb extraction and mine victim rehabilitation in Laos and Vietnam, to simply planting trees in Borneo, "Soulcycler" delivers a firsthand account the realization of a dream, the current state of the planet, and what it means to care.

About Rick Gunn:

In the last 20 years Rick's work has appeared in countless books, websites, and publications including, People, Wend, Adventure Sports Journal, Adventure Cyclist, USA Today, and the New York Times. In 2005, Gunn quit his 14-year career as a daily newspaper photographer and rode his bicycle 26,000-miles through 33 countries, over three years. Since his return in 2008, he has toured with a multimedia presentation about the journey entitled "Soulcycler," while working on book by the same name. Gunn



has recently cycled in Oman and The Islamic Republic of Iran to enact the "The Wheels of Peace Project," in which he exchanged letters and artwork between the children of America and the children of Iran.

CLOSING PLENARY

Friday, April 8, 2016

Sponsored by the California Conservation Corps

STEPHANIE DODARO

Writer and Long Distance Hiker

"WALKING CALIFORNIA'S EL CAMINO REAL"

In the winter of 2011-12, Stephanie Dodaro scouted, mapped, and walked California's 800-mile route commonly known as El Camino Real.

The original trail was created by and used for millennia by first peoples, and sections of the path were later used by colonial Europeans and successive waves of immigrants.

Today, much of the historic way has been paved over or displaced by freeway but much of it still passes through the beautiful greenways, farmland, and park trails of California. Attendees will learn about the inspiration behind the walk, route information, obstacles to making the path safe and accessible, and a vision for the future of the path.

About Stephanie Dodaro:

Stephanie Dodaro is a writer and long-distance hiker, born and raised in San Francisco. In winter 2011-12, she scouted and mapped a route along what is commonly known as California's El Camino Real. She walked the 800-mile path in April 2012, then published a free, online trail guide for the route. Stephanie has also earned an M.F.A. in Creative Writing and walked Spain's Camino de Santiago in March 2011.



ANNUAL TRAILS AWARD PROGRAM

Sponsored by the East Bay Regional Park District and the California State Coastal Conservancy

The Annual Trail Awards program provides a meaningful way to highlight and share our appreciation and admiration for those people making significant contributions to recreational trails in California. The stewardship and inspiration of award recipients helps the public better understand trails' contribution to a healthier, more sustainable community. Those honored for their contributions in 2015 will be announced at Thursday's Awards Dinner. Summarized below are the criteria for each award. Awards are presented to selected nominations that fully meet the criteria.

Consider who you will nominate for an award at our next California Trails & Greenways Conference. The criteria for each award and nomination instructions are available on the conference website at www.parks.ca.gov/trails/conference. Updated information for the 2017 award nominations will be posted on the conference website in October 2016.

- 1. LIFETIME VOLUNTEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD -- Awarded to a volunteer who has worked 25+ years on behalf of trails/greenways and whose efforts have had local and statewide impact.
- **2. LIFETIME PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** -- Awarded to a trail professional who has worked 25+ years on behalf of trails/greenways and whose efforts have had local and statewide impact.
- **3. MERIT AWARD (ACQUISITION)** -- Awarded in recognition of a unique trail/greenway acquisition.
- **4. MERIT AWARD (DEVELOPMENT)** -- Awarded in recognition of a unique trail/greenway development or reconstruction project.
- **5. MERIT AWARD (EVENT)** -- Awarded in recognition to a special trail/ greenway event.
- **6. MERIT AWARD (KIDS AND TRAILS)** -- Awarded in recognition of an innovative program designed to engage children and youth in outdoor experiences using trails and help them develop an appreciation for the natural environment while developing a healthy life style.
- **7. MERIT AWARD (PLANNING)** -- Awarded in recognition of a unique trail/ greenway planning project.

- **8. MERIT AWARD (PROGRAM)** -- Awarded in recognition of a special trail/ greenway program that is ongoing.
- **9. MERIT AWARD (UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES)** -- Awarded in recognition of an innovative program specifically designed to engage underserved communities in outdoor experiences using trails.
- **10. SOCIAL MEDIA, WEBSITES AND TECHNOLOGY AWARD** -- Awarded to an organization, agency, or business that has used social media in a new and creative way; developed a website that has achieved overall excellence through design and concept; or made use of new technology to promote or develop trails/greenways.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

TOUR OF THE SANTA ANA RIVER AND NATURE CENTERS

8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Presenters:

Dan Rodriguez, General Manager,
Jurupa Area Recreation and Parks District
Ellen Porter, Board Member, Jurupa
Area Recreation and Parks District
Stephen Anderson, Board Member,
Jurupa Area Recreation and Parks District
Anthony Mendoza, Landscape Architect,
Jurupa Area Recreation and Parks District



This tour will introduce participants to the Santa Ana River and the efforts of many agencies to preserve this historic river from its beginnings in the San Bernardino Mountains to its terminus at the Pacific Ocean in Newport Beach. The tour will include speakers from various nature centers along the river who will discuss the natural and cultural history of the area. Four key locations will be visited along the planned route.

THE CALIFORNIA RIDING AND HIKING TRAIL— A VISION FOR THE FUTURE 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Presenters:

Alexandra Stehl, Statewide Trails Manager **Maryanne Vancio,** San Diego County Trails Program Coordinator

Robert Ettleman,

Park Planner, County of Los Angeles

Bern Smith, Trail Director, Bay Area Ridge Trail Council

The California Riding and Hiking Trail (CRHT) is still "alive" but not "well" in many counties in California. This historic trail with its foresighted,



ahead-of-its-time concept was signed into law in 1945 but now is just a memory for some communities. This workshop will explore the options for reviving the alignments of the CRHT in all areas of the state where the CRHT corridor is still viable. Attendees will be asked to participate in the discussion, to bring insight of the trail from their area, to decide the importance of the CRHT to their organization's trail planning efforts, and, by the end of the work shop, produce recommendations on the CRHT that can be presented to California State Parks for future action. This is a classroom workshop with participation from attendees.

THE QUEST FOR BALANCE BETWEEN RECREATION AND HABITAT CONSERVATION

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Presenters:

Alisa Sramala, Recreational Trails Coordinator, City of Riverside

Pamela Padgett, PhD, Plant Biologist, USFS Pacific Southwest Research Laboratory, Riverside Brian Shomo, Natural Resources Manager, Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Tracy Albrecht, Interpretive Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs



The City of Riverside's Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park is being loved to death. The park is a 1,500 acre urban open space that serves as a peaceful oasis, a heart-pumping trail system, a research site, an outdoor classroom

and protected habitat for an endangered species. This workshop will discuss challenges faced at this park in balancing recreational use with habitat protection and conservation, and the implementation of a citizen science program to increase community knowledge of and stewardship in the park environment.

UNIVERSAL TRAIL ASSESSMENT PROCESS & HIGH EFFICIENCY TRAIL ASSESSMENT PROCESS COORDINATION

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Presenter:

Nathan Tolbert, Sidewalk Assessment Coordinator, Beneficial Designs, Inc.

The Universal Trail Assessment Process (UTAP) and the High Efficiency Trail Assessment Process (HETAP) collect objective information about trail conditions such as grade, cross slope, typical and minimum clearance width, surface type, firmness, and obstructions. Through classroom and practical, hands-on trail assessment experience, participants will

learn how to objectively measure trails using UTAP and HETAP. Participants will also learn the details of UTAP measurements, semi-automated wheeled information sensor package and HETAP 2.4 Software. This workshop will discuss the benefits of objective information, the application of UTAP and HETAP in diverse environments, how to disseminate Trail Access Information (TAI) and how that dissemination meets the requirements of the new federal accessibility guidelines for outdoor developed areas. Optional certification through American Trails will be available at check-in for \$35.

CONCURRENT SESSION SCHEDULE & DESCRIPTIONS

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INTERPRETATION AND EDUCATION

¡VAYAN SUBIENDO! PARTNERING WITH VOLUNTEER HISTORIANS TO ENGAGE NEW AUDIENCES

Friday, April 8th, 8:00 a.m.

In 1775-1776, Anza led 30 families on a colonizing expedition to establish the first non-native settlement in San Francisco. Today, the 1,200 mile trail connects history, culture and outdoor recreation from Nogales, Arizona to San Francisco, California. The National Park Service partners closely with volunteers as the onthe-ground experts and depends on their enthusiasm and expert knowledge for everything from interpretation to trail maintenance. This session shares tools of the trade from our volunteer historians who are experts in the characters, dress and story of the expedition and who use their knowledge to engage all ages through their innovative programming and storytelling. We'll start from the perspective of the agency and end with a success story of a volunteer-led event in Los Angeles. These volunteers bring the people of the expedition to life and build real life connections between people now and then. Examples of their work include group rides along the Anza Trail, educational booths, tabling, "Friday at the Fort" (living history at the Tucson Presidio) and the Posados del Presidio heritage event (making adobe bricks, learning to make rope and swing ropes, dress up, food of the expedition and eighteenth century games).

BriAnna Weldon, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, National Park Service

Dennis Carlos, Soldados y Californios de SoCal

DON'T LET THE SUN GO DOWN ON ME: LEADING AN INTERPRETIVE NIGHT HIKE

Thursday, April 7th, 2:15 p.m.

A night hike is a great way to bring in a different audience to your trail facility. Things are quite different at night and open to interpretation. Learn the basics of leading an interpretive night hike. This simulated hike will provide the "hikers" with all the resources to lead their own event. The hike is easy to replicate with little or no experience. Points covered will be night hiking trail safety, nocturnal animals and Native American legends regarding the night sky. Handouts will explain how to lead all activities on your own trails.

Jeff Weinstein, Certified Interpretive Guide

INTERPRETIVE ELEMENTS: ADDING INTEREST AND VALUE TO TRAILS

Friday, April 8th, 9:15 a.m.

A vital tool for creating trails that integrate legacy and nature is interpretation. Our session will focus on how to add value to a trail by identifying unique interpretive and educational components within a trail's overall environment, and integrating them into the design. We will focus on the processes of discovery, creation and implementation of interpretive trail design, and present three case studies that successfully integrated historical, cultural and environmental elements within publicly funded trail systems.

Richard Krumwiede, President, Architerra Design Group, Inc.

Tim Millington, Regional Manager, San Bernardino County Special Districts
John Huber, Graphics and Marketing Director, Architerra Design Group, Inc.

MANAGEMENT

PRACTICAL CEQA

Thursday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

CEQA compliance for recreational trails certainly can bring its challenges to state, regional and local agencies seeking to plan and implement projects. Controversy surrounding a proposed trail will complicate the environmental review process. Controversial concerns can originate from private property issues, trail use conflict, sensitive resource effects and regulatory concerns. Also, CEQA compliance can be costly and time-consuming for agencies on a limited budget. This interactive session will share practical lessons for trail planning and implementation in California, including strategies for sensitive issues, techniques for streamlining and efficiency and approaches for CEQA legal adequacy.

Kathryn Tobias, Attorney, California State Parks

ROAD AND TRAIL INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Thursday, April 7th, 8:00 a.m.

Data about the current conditions of roads and trails that could inform decision making is often outdated, incomplete or nonexistent. Many land management agencies do not know how many miles of roads and trails it has to manage or the condition of these facilities. Without this information, the environmental impacts, visitor satisfaction and associated maintenance costs cannot be assessed or mitigated. This data deficiency undermines efforts to project long term needs and costs, ensure system viability and manage resources and funds. This session will summarize the process California State Parks has developed to accurately inventory and assess roads and trails using electronic and manual methods.

Jason Spann, Associate Landscape Architect, California State Parks

SHARING OUR TRAILS

Thursday, April 7th, 1:00 p.m

This panel discussion will explore the challenges associated with mixed trail uses due to the different expectations of users and what each trail user's responsibilities should be. Panelist will be from the hiking, equestrian and mountain biking communities.

Jim Meyer, Founder and Executive Director, Trails 4 All
Barb Thomas, Board of Directors, Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council
Steve Messer, CORBA
Ingrid LeMasters, Past President, California State Horsemen's Association

SNAKE IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Thursday, April 7th, 9:15 a.m.

Whether you are involved with trail planning, development, maintenance or recreation, a surprise snake encounter is bound to happen. In this workshop, you'll learn to recognize venomous versus non-venomous species and how to best react when you see them. By using field guides, a dichotomous key and tricks of the trade, participants will learn the names of and how to identify the most common native snakes in Southern California.

Tracy Albrecht, Interpretive Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs **Daniel Kasang,** Park Ranger, Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs

<u>PARTNERSHIP</u>

BAY AREA RIDGE TRAIL - 25 YEARS OF LESSONS LEARNED

Friday, April 8th, 9:15 a.m.

A range of challenges and surprises have been encountered in the implementation of the eventual 550-mile Bay Area Ridge Trail. This presentation will address some of the issues that have arisen and suggest ways of pre-empting, avoiding and addressing the obstacles and delays associated with the creation of a long distance, multi-jurisdictional, multi-use trail network.

Bill Long, Chair, Bay Area Ridge Trail Council **Bern Smith,** Trail Director, Bay Area Ridge Trail Council

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2016 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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All Activities Begin or Take Place at the Riverside Convention Center

Session Tracks	Partnerships	Technology & Research	Planning & Design	Management	Education & Interpretation
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Tuesday, April 5	Activity	Location
4:00 – 6:00 PM	Registration Desk Open	Upper Concourse
Wednesday, April 6	Activity	Location
7:00 – 10:30 AM	Registration Desk Open	Upper Concourse
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	District Trail Coordinators Training	Raincross C
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM	California Riding and Hiking Trail – Vision for the Future (lunch provided Sponsored by the California State Parks Foundation	Raincross A
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Universal Trail Assessment Process & High Efficiency Trail Assessment Process Coordination (lunch provided)	Raincross B
8:30 AM – 2:00 PM	The Quest for Balance Between Recreation & Habitat Conservation (lunch provided)	Meet Conference Center Lobby
8:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Tour of the Santa Ana River and Nature Center (lunch provided)	Meet Conference Center Lobby
12:00 – 4:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Set-up	Upper Concourse/ Exbt Halls C&D
3:00 – 6:30 PM	Registration Open	Upper Concourse
4:00 – 6:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Upper Concourse/ Exbt Halls C&D
5:30 – 6:30 PM	WELCOME RECEPTION (No host bar) Sponsored by Sierra Nevada Conservancy	Upper Concourse
5:30 PM	RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION OPEN	Exbt Halls C & D

Session Tracks	Partnerships	Technology & Research	Planning & Design	Management	Education & Interpretation
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Wednesday, April 6	Activity	Location
6:30 – 9:00 PM	WELCOME DINNER & KEYNOTE by Rue Mapp Sponsored by California Trails & Greenways Foundation	Exbt Halls C & D
9:00 – 11:00 PM	Hospitality Suite Sponsored by Firestone Walker and Monterey Bay Wine Company	ТВА
Thursday, April 7	Activity	Location
6:30 – 7:30 AM	Morning Walk	Meet in Conference Center Lobby
6:30 – 7:30 AM	Morning Bike Ride	Meet outside Conference Center
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Registration Desk Open	Upper Concourse
8:00 AM – 6:30 PM	Exhibits Open	Upper Concourse/ Exbt Halls C&D
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	District Trail Coordinators Training (DTCT)	Raincross C
	SoCal League and Sustainability of Trail and Greenway Access	Raincross A
0 AAA	Every Trail Tells A Story: Web Based Mapping	Raincross B
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Becoming Compliant with Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Areas (2 hour session)	Raincross D
	Road and Trail Inventory and Assessment Process	Raincross E
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	BREAK	Upper Concourse

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Thursday, April 7	Activity	Location
	Santa Ana River Trail: The Varied Roles of Nonprofits	Raincross A
9:15 -	Trail Technology: What's Hip, What's Hot	Raincross B
10:15 AM	Owens Lake: Sterile Environment to Sustainable Experience	Raincross D
	Snake Identification Workshop	Raincross E
10:15 – 10:30 AM	BREAK	Upper Concourse
	Getting Started: Healthy People Healthy Trails Initiative	Raincross A
10:30 -	Systematic Trail Planning Using Geographic Information Systems	Raincross B
11:30 AM	Performance Benefits and Cost Savings of Tire-Derived Trails	Raincross D
	Practical CEQA	Raincross E
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Edmiston, David Szymanski, & Craig Sap: Backbone Trail: 65 miles, 65 years, 177 parcels Sponsored by the Bureau of Land Management	Exbt Halls C & D
	What Backcountry Horsemen of California Can Do For You (2 hour session)	Raincross A
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Making Trails Count! Getting The Data You Need	Raincross B
	Trail Demand On The Rise: Castaic Area Multi-Use Trail Plan	Raincross D
	Sharing Our Trails	Raincross E
2:00 – 2:15 PM	BREAK	Upper Concourse

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Thursday, April 7	Activity	Location
	Building The Los Angeles River Trail	Raincross A
2:15 –	Exploring Innovative Ways to Use Technology to Engage Youth with Nature and Learning	Raincross B
3:15 PM	Guidelines For A Quality Trail Experience	Raincross D
	Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me: Leading An Interpretive Night Hike	Raincross E
3:15 – 5:30 PM	Free Time and Optional Field Trips	On your own
4:30 – 5:30 PM	Open Forum Discussion Blue Trails – Supporting Water Trails	Raincross A
5:30 – 6:30 PM	AWARDS RECEPTION (no host bar) Sponsored by Clif Bar	Upper Concourse
6:30 PM	RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION CLOSE	Exbt Halls C & D
6:30 – 8:00 PM	AWARDS DINNER with Rick Gunn Sponsored by Alta Planning + Design	Exbt Halls C & D
8:00 – 9:00 PM	AWARDS CEREMONY Sponsored by East Bay Regional Park District and the California State Coastal Conservancy	Exbt Halls C & D
9:00 – 11:00 PM	Hospitality Suite Sponsored by Firestone Walker and Monterey Bay Wine Company	ТВА
Friday, April 8	Activity	Location
6:30 – 7:30 AM	Morning Walk	Meet in Conference Center Lobby
6:30 – 7:30 AM	Morning Bike Ride	Meet outside Conference Center
7:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Registration Open	Upper Concourse
7:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Exhibits Open	Upper Concourse/ Exbt Halls C&D
7:00 – 8:00 AM	BREAKFAST Sponsored by Backcountry Horsemen of California	Upper Concourse

Session Tracks	Partnerships	Technology & Research	Planning & Design	Management	Education & Interpretation
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Friday, April 8	Activity	Location
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	District Trail Coordinators Training	Raincross C
	The Pismo Preserve Project: Safe. Sustainable.Sensational.	Raincross A
8:00 -	ParkWatchReport Pilot at Chino Hills State Park	Raincross B
9:00 AM	Urban Trail Crossings: Achieving Continuous Trail Alignments	Raincross D
	¡Vayan Subiendo! Partnering with Volunteer Historians to Engage New Audiences	Raincross E
9:00 – 9:15 AM	BREAK	Upper Concourse
	Bay Area Ridge Trail - 25 Years of Lessons Learned	Raincross A
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9:15 – 10:15 AM	Open Space Trail Planning- A Comprehensive Approach	Raincross D
	Interpretive Elements: Adding Interest and Value to Trails	Raincross E
10:15 – 11:15 AM	CLOSING PLENARY with Stephanie Dodaro: Walking California's El Camino Real Sponsored by the California Conservation Corps	Exbt Halls C & D
11:15 – 11:30 AM	CLOSING REMARKS	Exbt Halls C & D
12:30 – 2:30 PM	HIKE, BIKE, RIDE EVENT (Advance sign-up at Registration Desk appreciated)	ТВА

BUILDING THE LOS ANGELES RIVER TRAIL

Thursday, April 7th, 2:15 p,m.

Learn how Los Angeles agencies and designers are working to implement the multi-beneficial revitalization plan and connect to the city's extensive waterfront trail network, reconnecting people to their river, providing access to recreation and nature, increasing environmental resiliency and providing a unique and different way to see and experience the city. This session will discuss the evolution of the LA River and its reintegration into city life as a greenway of trails and parks to catalyze economic, social and environmental change.

Claire Latané, ASLA, LEED AP, Senior Associate, Mia Lehrer and Associates Margot Jacobs, ASLA, Associate, Mia Lehrer and Associates Jeff Hutchins, ASLA, Principal, Mia Lehrer and Associates Mark Kenyon, Executive Director, Northeast Tree

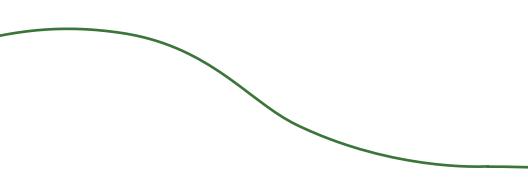
GETTING STARTED: HEALTHY PEOPLE HEALTHY TRAILS INITIATIVE

Thursday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

Attendees will learn how the Santa Barbara County Trails Council and a dynamic group of community partners, including Sansum Clinic, CenCal Health, Cottage Health and the City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation, have come together to collaborate on an innovative "Healthy People, Healthy Trails" program designed to strengthen the connection between the use of local public parks and trails and individual healthcare. With technical assistance from the National Park Service, the team has established a pilot "Prescription Trails" program as a centerpiece of the "Healthy People, Healthy Trails" concept, making it easy for healthcare providers to prescribe physical activity in nearby outdoor spaces to their patients. The goal is to develop a program that fosters use of local parks, trails and open spaces as resources for improving community health, wellness and fitness.

Mark Wilkinson, Executive Director, Santa Barbara County Trails Council

Patrick Johnston, Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program, National Park Service



SANTA ANA RIVER TRAIL: THE VARIED ROLES OF NONPROFITS

Thursday, April 7th, 9:15 a.m.

In this session, a panel of nonprofit leaders from the Santa Ana River Watershed will present the varied roles of their organizations in trail planning, stewardship and community outreach. Attendees will learn how these leaders are leveraging public and private partnerships to support innovative trail planning, outreach to diverse communities and promoting safe and healthy trail use and access. Panelists will highlight how nonprofits are uniquely positioned to achieve community outreach and engagement, and to leverage partnerships and funding not possible by government agencies alone.

Greg Gauthier, Project Manager, State Coastal Conservancy
Megan Brousseau, Program Director, Inland Empire Waterkeeper
Rachel Hamilton, Community Engagement Specialist, Riverside Land Conservancy
Paul Melzer, Mission Advancement, The Wildlands Conservancy

SOCAL LEAGUE AND SUSTAINABILITY OF TRAIL AND GREENWAY ACCESS

Thursday, April 7th, 8:00 a.m.

This session will review the history of the Southern California High School Cycling League and the role its student athletes, coaches, families and teams are playing in maintaining and developing access to trails in partnership with local advocacy groups. Attendees will learn about the importance of involving youth in their own advocacy efforts and about the many avenues currently available to them to do so. Additionally, participants will learn how to utilize student cycling programs to substantially increase their ability to create, benefit from and make sustainable trail and greenway projects in their area. Most importantly, attendees will be given a concrete introduction to a generation of people who will eventually lead and continue the work of the many organizations attending the conference.

Matt Gunnell, Executive Director, SoCal High School Cycling League **Brandon LaRue**, Asst. Executive Director, SoCal High School Cycling League

THE PISMO PRESERVE PROJECT: SAFE, SUSTAINABLE...SENSATIONAL Friday, April 8th, at 8:00 a.m.

Get insight to the methods, madness and magic of The Land Conservancy's \$12.5 million campaign to purchase and open to the public 900 acres of spectacular California coastline we call the Pismo Preserve. This presentation is not just an ordinary case study; hear directly from leadership on how the organization rallied unprecedented community support from a diverse group of funders. Join us as we discuss how we engaged our entire community, from hotel owners to horseback riders. Learn what it takes to build a safe, sustainable and sensational open space for a diverse suite of users, and why fundraising and buying the Preserve just may have been the easy part. Explore some of the design and engineering team's methods that were employed during the master planning phase and enjoy the

showcase of the many colored illustrative master plan exhibits, hand-rendered graphics and dramatic photos of this breathtaking property. Hear an update of the permit process for the two staging areas/parking lots, restroom facilities, picnic areas, way finding, equestrian facilities and ADA-compliant site features. Hear what worked and what didn't, and come away with practical tools for your next project.

Matt Gunnell, Executive Director, SoCal High School Cycling League **Brandon LaRue**, Asst. Executive Director, SoCal High School Cycling League

WHAT BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA CAN DO FOR YOU Thursday, April 7th, 1:00 p.m.

Through much of the 19th century, pack and saddle animals were essential to travel and the creation of trails throughout much of the U.S. In the 20th century, pack and saddle animals provided a primary means of maintaining access to our nation's expansive backcountry and wilderness. However, in recent decades, it is believed by some that the need for pack animals is obsolete. Helicopters, airplanes and ATVs are able to deliver heavy loads in a quick and efficient manner -- assuming favorable weather and appropriate landing or access sites. But there are some significant advantages to working with the versatile creatures that have proved themselves faithful to their tasks for thousands of years. And they are cost effective and minimally invasive! Join the Backcountry Horsemen of California as they provide a packing demonstration and explore the very practical opportunities for pack animals in trail work. Learn about the work pack animals do on the Pacific Crest Trail and for agencies like the U.S. Forest Service. Discover how these creatures move equipment and supplies to hard to reach destinations, and use plows and other tools to build and improve trails.

Richard Waller, President of Backcountry Horsemen of California

PLANNING AND DESIGN

BECOMING COMPLIANT WITH ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR OUTDOOR AREAS

Thursday, April 7th, 8:00 a.m.

Combining the words "accessibility" and "outdoor recreation" often strikes fear in the hearts of land managers and may seem overwhelming or unobtainable. Since the Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas became law as part of the Architectural Barriers Act in November 2013, more and more land managers are compelled to address the issue. This session will provide an overview of the outdoor recreation guidelines, discuss who is required to comply, review methods to evaluate trails, access routes and features and review the process to create a federally required transition plan to improve access in outdoor recreation facilities. Options for symbology and scenarios for dissemination of access information

to the public will be presented for evaluation and comment. This session will also include a field exercise with the collection of accessibility data for outdoor recreation features using a new mobile device application created through a USDA grant funded research and development project.

Nathan Tolbert, ADA/Assessment Coordinator, Beneficial Designs, Inc

GUIDELINES FOR A QUALITY TRAIL EXPERIENCE

Thursday, April 7th, 2:15 p.m.

Since 1987, IMBA has been educating land managers across the U.S. about sustainable multi-use trail design. Thanks to IMBA's programs, resources and textbooks, most everyone who deals with trails now knows about the first two parts of sustainable trail design: minimal impact to the ecosystem and minimal maintenance costs. But the third component of sustainability has been harder to capture, define and teach: sustainability that provides the desired user experience. Taking trail user experiences into account isn't just for grins; "social sustainability" contributes to environmental sustainability, as well. If the types of trail experiences that are needed and wanted aren't provided, users may take things into their own hands and partake in illegal trail building. A failure to consider bike "flow" in particular—how a trail carries the rider and transitions from feature to feature can lead to skidding, brake bumps, trail widening and other negative impacts on soils and vegetation. The training was funded by Shimano in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management, which is working with IMBA to develop nationwide "guidelines for a quality trail experience" with regard to building and maintaining trails, moving beyond simply creating trail access to a new era of providing highquality experiences for all users.

Laurel Harkness, California-Hawaii Region Director, International Mountain Bicycling Association

OPEN SPACE TRAIL PLANNING- A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Friday, April 8th, 9:15 a.m.

Given a virtual "blank slate" of an open space in the midst of urban development, what's involved in planning a sustainable trail system that minimizes maintenance costs, that is easily accessible from surrounding communities, and that provides trail users the potential for a variety of memorable experiences? What factors need to be considered to address the interests of a variety of users living around the open space, including casual walkers, hikers, trail runners, mountain bikers and equestrians? Learn how to sustain your users' interest with a trail system that takes advantage of the open space's scenic values, topography and natural features by designing a variety of trail types catering to multiple interests and ability levels. This presentation will employ a combination of PowerPoint, Google Earth and/or Prezi.

John Holloway, ASLA, LCI, Candidate Principal, KTU+A Planning + Landscape Architecture **Marc Brewer**, Senior Park Planner, Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District **Alison Moss**, Senior Mobility Planner, KTU+A Planning + Landscape Architecture

OWNS LAKE: STERILE ENVIRONMENT TO UNIQUE SUSTAINABLE EXPERIENCE

Thursday, April 7th, 9:15 a.m.

The Owens Lake Trail System offers a kaleidoscope of appearances seasonally as the dust and salt beds play against the horizon. While beautiful to the eye, creating a unique and sustainable recreational opportunity that withstands the harsh elements of nature (wind, salt, dust, and heat) can be challenging. This presentation will explore design options to transform a sterile environment into an educational hiking opportunity through creative design, sustainable materials and interpretive and artistic signage that create accessible trails of learning for all.

Perry Cardoza, ASLA, RLA; Executive Vice President, NUVIS Landscape Architects **Jenny Rigby,** Director, The Acorn Group

PERFORMANCE BENEFITS AND COST SAVINGS OF TIRE-DERIVED TRAILS Thursday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

This session will describe the benefits of using recycled-content products made from tires to enhance public trails, bike paths and park landscapes, as well as the availability of State financial and technical support. Benefits of using recycled-content products include improved product performance, rain water management, cost savings and meeting your organization's goals for sustainability and environmentally preferred purchasing programs. We will describe how parks can use innovative tire-derived products (TDPs) to create attractive, highly functional landscapes satisfying a number of environmental management and sustainability goals. Produced in California by a variety of manufacturers, TDPs can help achieve performance standards for LEED, CalGreen and Build It Green, etc. Products include permeable pathways, pavers and outdoor tiles, flexible edgings and retaining walls, ADA accessibility ramps, landscape mulch and several varieties of sidewalk, bike path and trail surfaces.

Randall Russell, Project Manager, Louis Berger Company
Sam Sasu, Environmental Scientist, Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery

TRAIL DEMAND ON THE RISE: CASTAIC AREA MULTI-USE TRAIL PLAN Thursday, April 7th, 1:00 p.m.

In response to the emerging need for additional trail recreation opportunities in Los Angeles County, the County Department of Parks and Recreation embarked on the development of the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan. The Castaic area encompasses approximately 76 square miles of mountainous and valley terrain and the Castaic Lake State Recreation Area. This area abuts the Angeles National Forest to the north and is surrounded by urban and rural communities to the east, south and west. As a popular destination for mountain bikers, equestrians and hikers, conflicts have arisen between trail users and private land owners. Highlighting the experience of this project and national best practices, attendees will learn strategies to successfully engage a diverse group of trail users, land

owners, developers and public safety officials, and approaches to balance needs while planning for the development of a sustainable regional trail network.

Emily Duchon, Senior Design Associate, Alta Planning and Design **Olga Ruano,** Park Planning Asst., County of LA, Dept. of Parks & Recreation Trails Section

URBAN TRAIL CROSSINGS: ACHIEVING CONTINUOUS TRAIL ALIGNMENTS

Friday, April 8th, at 8:00 a.m.

Achieving a continuous trail is a primary goal for each trail agency. Within urban, built-out cities, many natural and built barriers require costly or compromised design decisions. The City of San Jose has developed 57 miles of trails and plans for an additional 43 miles within the city's urban boundaries. Under-crossings, bridges and at-grade crossings are part of the City's toolkit for continuous trail development. San Jose's Trail Manager will provide an overview of at-grade and separated grade options to ensure continuous trail alignments within built environments. The presentation will include visual examples to demonstrate how design details can elevate the character of these necessary trail features.

Yves Zsutty, Trail Network Manager, City of San Jose

TECHNOLOGY

EVERY TRAIL TELLS A STORY: WEB BASED MAPPING

Thursday, April 7th, 8:00 a.m.

Web-based mapping is the newest technology for sharing information about trail projects. This session demonstrates how to create "story maps" for trails from text, digital photos, GPS and GIS using ArcGIS. The session will show how commonly available computer tools can be used to create more powerful and accessible presentations for trail education and management.

Debra Gonzalez, GISP, Research Specialist, State of California **Emmett Cartier,** MS, Outdoor Recreation Planner, US Bureau of Reclamation

EXPLORING INNOVATIVE WAYS TO USE TECHNOLOGY TO ENGAGE YOUTH WITH NATURE AND LEARNING

Thursday, April 7th, 2:15 p.m.

Technology has left youth disconnected from nature. The City of Los Angeles is a proud supporter of Agents of Discovery, the mobile app that encourages kids to get outside, get active and get learning! This innovative approach is helping environmental educators in Los Angeles and across the U.S. to deliver interpretive materials to youth in an engaging and fun way. Learn how technology can be used

to connect youth with nature, making them more active and aware of the world around them in this interactive and informative presentation.

Mary Clark, CEO, Agents of Discovery

Vicki Israel, Asst General Manager, City of LA, Dept. of Recreation and Parks

MAKING TRAILS COUNT! GETTING THE DATA YOU NEED

Thursday, April 7th, 1:00 p.m.

Trail users have been counted infrequently, at limited locations, or more often not at all. Yet data is crucial to help projects compete for funding, gain political support and demonstrate the importance of trails to community and elected leaders. The first part of the session will provide an overview of the primary approaches used to document existing use of trails, including automated counting technologies, as well as manual counts and surveys. We will also review new tools being developed by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy to help estimate usage of planned trails, prioritize trails in building a network and how these tools can be applied to support trail development projects. The second part of the session will focus on the San Diego Bike and Pedestrian Counter Network, a program conducted through a unique partnership between San Diego State University, San Diego Association of Governments and the County of San Diego. The program currently has automated counters in place at 54 locations, and also includes a manual count program. The presentation will provide an overview of the Network and how the data has been used to support the development of trail projects at the regional level.

Barry Bergman, Manager of Trail Development, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy **Sherry Ryan,** Ph.D., Chen Ryan Associates, Inc.

PARKWATCHREPORT PILOT AT CHINO HILLS STATE PARK

Friday, April 8th, at 8:00 a.m.

ParkWatchReport is a web-based service that provides a customized platform for trail managers, the public, local businesses and park volunteers to use in identifying and responding to environmental, legal and safety issues. During this session, learn about the advantages of using this low-cost modern technology to deliver expedited communication, labor efficiencies and data-backed management.

Janet Peterson, President, Park Watch Report, LLC Ryann Gill, Chino Hills Sector Superintendent, California State Parks

SYSTEMATIC TRAIL PLANNING USING GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Thursday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

This session will de-mystify GIS and teach attendees how to apply the technology to the design of great trails and greenways. The session will demonstrate the step-by-step process conducted by the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District

in Ventura County to build the foundation for an open space acquisition and trail master plan. First, we will explain the need to create for your study area an effective basemap that illustrates critical features like topography, roads and parcels. Attendees will learn how to employ this basemap as a basis for developing a spatial ranking system that identifies the highest-priority areas for trail and greenway development. This ranking system can incorporate a wide range of criteria including connectivity to existing and planned trails, bikeways and roads; proximity to natural resources; topographic variety; scenic views; and the type of land ownership. Attendees will learn how to adapt these and other criteria depending on the targeted trail user group. For example, while mountain bikers may place the highest value on variable terrain, hikers prefer scenic vistas and access to water. We'll also explore how the GIS-based process and maps can facilitate collaboration with partner organizations, applications for grant funding and land acquisition.

Stephen Svete, AICP, LEED AP ND, Prinicpal/COO, Rincon Consultants, Inc. **Jonathan Berlin,** MESM, Asso. Environmental Planner, Rincon Consultants, Inc. **Michele Kostenuik,** Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District

TRAIL TECHNOLOGY: WHAT'S HIP, WHAT'S HOT

Thursday, April 7th, 9:15 a.m.

Agencies are often challenged with how to use technology to share information with the public as well as collect information regarding user preferences and use patterns. This panel will consider various online and mobile tools to increase visibility, public education and information sharing. We will present new trends in data sharing, and the pros and cons of different approaches to making data public. These approaches will include public data portals, which allow public agencies to make their data available to developers using standardized data formatting; the development of agency/organization websites and mobile-responsive websites to create user-friendly, informative resources; and custom native applications. We will also present civic engagement platforms for soliciting community input regarding trail design, use and maintenance issues.

Melissa Erikson, Senior Associate, Landscape Architect, PlaceWorks

Zachary Likins, Department of Parks and Recreation, County of Los Angeles

Ryan Branciforte, Trailhead Labs

Dan Ancona, PlaceWorks

USING TECHNOLOGY FOR INCLUSIVE GREENWAY PLANNING

Friday, April 8th, 9:15 a.m.

This presentation will identify a step-by-step design process for developing trails/greenways as part of an overall community recreation and circulation system that is also appreciated by non-trail-users, and serves as a functional resource to wildlife and the natural environment. The presentation will teach the principles of landscape ecology in the context of trails/greenway planning. It will also teach attendees what kind of ecological, cultural and historic data to collect; modern

tools for analyzing that data; and how to create and present a design that responds to that data in a way that makes trails relevant to persons who may otherwise be opposed to them.

Tony Perkins, Landscape Designer, Pacific Coast Land Design **Chris Roberts,** Principal, Pacific Coast Land Design

RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION

The raffle and silent auction offer additional ways for us to raise funds to support conference expenses, and offer you exciting and fun items at a great discount. A full, updated list of raffle and silent auction items is available at the Registration Desk and in the raffle area.

Closing Plenary: Join us as we close the conference and be automatically entered to win a certificate for a fully paid registration to next year's trails conference!

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- **1. PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS** -- Raffle tickets may be purchased for \$1 each, 7 for \$5, 15 for \$10, or 40 for \$20. You can buy them at the Registration Desk or from any of the enthusiastic volunteers parading about with colorful ribbons of raffle tickets fluttering behind them.
- 2. SEPARATE THE TICKETS -- Each ticket comes in pairs with identical numbers. To enter your bid for a raffle item, separate a pair. The half marked "TICKET" gets deposited in the raffle container of your choice (see Step 4 below). The half marked "keep this coupon" is your claim ticket.
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- You can place all your tickets in one container or spread your tickets among as many containers as you'd like.
- **5. RAFFLE AWARDS** -- The raffle will end Thursday at 7:00 PM. At that time all the raffle containers will be collected, members of the conference team will mix and shake the tickets in each container, and select one ticket per item. A notification will be posted outside the ballroom for viewing after the awards presentations, listing each raffle item and the winning raffle ticket number. Simply check your tickets to see if you hold one of the lucky winners!
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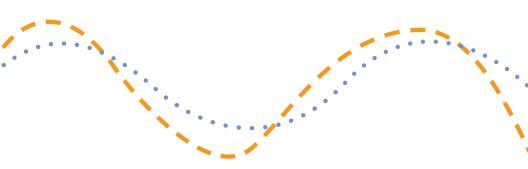
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Friday, April 8, 2016

Following the conference at 12:30 PM

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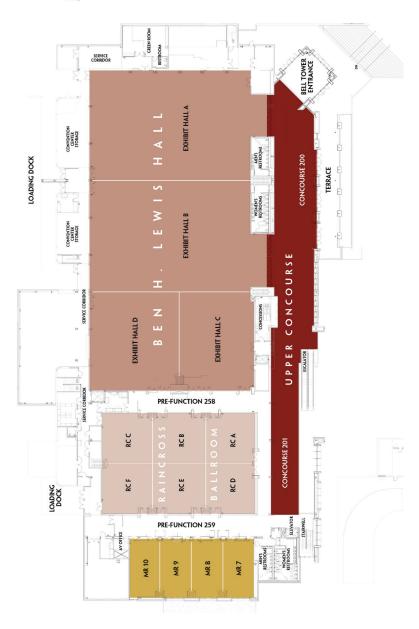
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