



California Trails & Greenways 2019

April 23-25, 2019 in San Diego County

SESSION PROPOSAL FORM

Proposals must be received by
December 10, 2018

Educational break-out sessions are one hour and cover the full range of trail and greenway topics. Please note that the sessions are highly competitive and only well-developed and highly relevant proposals presented by qualified experts will be accepted. Past sessions can be reviewed at www.parks.ca.gov/trails/ctg.

Session Title: Limit title to 8 words – please choose a title that summarizes the content of the session.

Session Description: Limit session description to 200 words. Concisely describe the topic and presentation format.

Educational Objectives: Set clear learning objectives for your presentation. List 2-3 specific points that attendees will learn that will assist them in their trails work. Describe what efficiencies, performances, or other improvements will result from your presentation. Also, consider your audience. Describe the teachable skills you'll be providing and who will benefit the most by receiving these skills. Also consider interactive discussions or activities to engage the group in problem solving. Proposals that focus on projects without providing concrete, teachable skills will be rejected.

Audience Level: Describe if your session be geared toward individuals with specific skills or levels of expertise.

Session Structure: Describe how the session be presented, e.g., panel discussion, demonstration, audience interaction, etc. Opportunities for audience participation are preferred. Also, be sure to leave 10 minutes at the end for questions.

Session Chair: For the individual responsible for coordinating the session, provide name, title, affiliation, address, phone, email, and a short 3-4 sentence biography that establishes the individual's credentials. Please note that the name of the session chair and their email address will be provided in program materials and on the website.

Additional Session Presenters: We strongly urge you to include up to 2 additional presenters for a total of no more than 3 presenters. For each additional presenter, provide their name, title, affiliation, address, phone, email, and a short 3-4 sentence biography establishing the individual's credentials.

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Topic Suggestions for Sessions and Workshops in San Diego County

Topic suggestions came from a recent meeting of local trail planners and managers. In addition to those topics listed below, more general session proposals will be accepted that address (1) trail planning, development, and design; (2) partnerships and community development; (3) technology and communications; (4) trail management; (5) interpretation and education; and (6) inclusion.

- Round-table discussions about emerging management issues:
 - o Meet-up groups
 - o e-bikes and e-MTBs
 - o trail runners
 - o homelessness on trails
 - o social trails
 - o engaging minorities
 - o managing use on the PCT
 - o balancing conservation and recreation
- Panel discussion regarding the convergence of conservation and recreation, specifically in nature reserves: Providing recreation in environmentally sensitive areas and resolving conflicts between conservationists and trail users.
- Volunteer recruitment and retention for trail stewardship
- Sustainable trail siting, design, and building
- Overcoming adversity on every project, whether it's a problem with funding, permits, or environmental review.
- Building community support, working with NIMBYs, and working with a diversity of users
- Managing increased use, educating the public, using "social engineering" to manage people.
- Rehabilitating trails and preventing new volunteer trails after a fire.
- How to work with regulatory agencies and environmental advocacy groups that don't want trails.
- Commuter trails and active transportation projects.
- Managing staff turn-over in agencies.
- Doing Native American consultations and interpretation.
- Building support among underserved communities – diversity, equity inclusion.
- Regional planning: visitor use management
- How to unite trail users into an effective volunteer and advocacy group – lessons on what works and what doesn't work.