



June 23-27, 2019 · Chico Hot Springs · Montana

Draft Conference Agenda

Preliminary Schedule Subject to Change

Sunday, June 23 – Arrival Day

- 3:00pm Check in
- 6:00pm Dinner on your own
- 8:30 Hospitality suite
- 9:00pm Bats of the West!

Monday, June 24

- 6:30am Optional morning bird walk
- 7:30am Breakfast
- 8:30am Opening welcome from AFWA and Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks
- 9:30am Break and group photo
- 9:45am Project WILD Updates and Business Meeting
- 11am 60 Seconds of Fame – coordinator introductions and round robin
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00pm Moderated panel – WILD inside and out!
 - We spend a lot of time communicating about Project WILD to people outside of our organization: educators, facilitators, and other partners. How do you position or communicate about Project WILD within your own organization to highlight Project WILD's value and alignment to your organization's mission? Join a panel of coordinators to hear and discuss different strategies.
- 2:30pm Land conservation with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- 3:00 Break
- 3:15pm Lions and Wolves and Bears, Oh My!
 - Hear from the front lines of management of some charismatic and sometimes controversial mammals in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Then participate in WILD adaptations and learn about educational tools and resources that different agencies use to help learners understand these species, how to live with them, and associated management challenges.
- 4:00pm Rotating outdoor education stations: archery with the Boone & Crocket Club, fly-fishing, and more!
- 6:00pm Dinner
- 8:00pm Hospitality suite

Tuesday, June 25

6:30am	Breakfast
7am	Leave Chico
8am	OTO Historic Ranch site hike (paved road) - Trailhead of Cedar Creek US Forest Service/ Rocky. Hike and learn about Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation land acquisition and management.
10am	Climate, geology, and physical science of Yellowstone with Ann Rodman, NPS Yellowstone Center for Resources.
11am	Travel to Mammoth Hot Springs Introduction to Yellowstone National Park Education programs with Bob Fuhrman, Youth Program Manager YNP Hike Mammoth Thermal features Lunch (boxed lunches from Chico)
2pm	Travel into the park Blacktail Creek Trail (includes hike) - Expedition Yellowstone Activities
6pm	Dinner
10pm	Hospitality Suite

Wednesday, June 26

7:00am	Optional morning bird walk
8:00am	Breakfast
9:00am	Guest presentation with the Safari Club International Foundation
10:00am	Break
10:15am	Diversity, inclusion, and climate adaptation with Germaine White of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation
Noon	Lunch and conference book club gathering
1pm	Guest presentation with the Project WET national office
2pm	Coordinator-led sessions
2:45pm	Break
3pm	Coordinator-led Sessions
4:00pm	Rotating outdoor education stations: Archery with the Boone & Crocket Club, Fly-fishing, and more!
4:30pm	Coordinator networking
6pm	Awards Banquet
8pm	Silent Auction Closes - Live Auction begins!
9:30pm	Hospitality Suite

Thursday, June 27 – Departure Day

7:30am	Breakfast
8:30am	Regional Roundtables
9:15am	Coordinator-led sessions
10am	Break
10:15	Digging in to the terrestrial guide. Continue exploring content in the revised edition of the Project WILD guide, with a particular emphasis on how it connects to science standards.
11:30	Evaluation and wrap up