

CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS 2017

EVENT PROGRAM



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Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel & Spa

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Dear Trail Partners,

Welcome to California Trails and Greenways 2017! We are honored to host the 32nd year of this important annual event to help strengthen and promote our collective commitment to providing recreational trails for all Californians.

This year we are gathering in scenic Monterey, home to some of the state's most iconic parks including beaches, redwoods, dunes, and estuaries. It is also home to some of the state's most impressive efforts to create new recreational trail opportunities such as the Fort Ord Recreational Trail and Greenway and the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail.

Monterey is also home to some difficult natural conditions where wildfire, flooding, sea level rise, and landslides challenge those who plan, design, construct, maintain, and manage trails. As such, Monterey provides the perfect backdrop by which we can explore advances in the field of recreational trails, including how to develop stakeholder support for projects, secure funding, and build trails that meet the needs of communities.

During the next few days you will encounter new partnership opportunities, as well as new information, tools, and techniques to assist you in developing recreational trails where you live and work. We look forward to working with you over the next few days and into the future.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Ann L. Mangat Director



Dear Trail Friends,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the California Trails Conference Foundation, welcome to **CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS 2017!** Monterey is a great venue for the 32nd annual conference. We hope you take some time to explore area trails. Thank you for joining us for some great workshops, exhibits, and educational sessions. Please take advantage of this fantastic opportunity for teaching and learning about trails with friends old and new, young and experienced, professional and volunteer.

The California Trails Conference Foundation is proud to support **CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS 2017**. Our mission is to inspire recreational trail leadership through the annual conference. Going on its 32nd year, this conference has hosted a range of participants and recognized award-winning projects and trail heroes. This year the Board of Directors was particularly committed to welcoming younger attendees. The Emerging Leaders program was developed and an affordable registration rate was provided for 18 to 25 year olds.

In the words of Robert Kennedy, "The youth of our nation are the clearest mirror of our performance." We hope this conference inspires you to think about your efforts to mentor and mirror the next generation of trail leaders. Let's celebrate the vibrant energy of young people both in the classroom and out on our fabulous trails.

On behalf of the California Trails Conference Foundation Board of Directors, thank you for supporting and joining us for **CALIFORNIA TRAILS & GREENWAYS 2017**.

Enjoy Monterey!

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Cathy Haagen-Smit, President California Trails Conference Foundation





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California Trails & Greenways 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 event, the conference fosters and improves trail systems and programs throughout California.

NEW THIS YEAR:

The Emerging Leaders program was launched to encourage the development of trail and natural resource professionals through their attendance and involvement in California Trails & Greenways. This program immerses college students and youth corps members, ages 18-25, in learning best practices and trends in the fields and careers related to trails and greenways, while ensuring the future of California's trails.

The Scholarship Program provides an opportunity to attend the conference to those who would otherwise be unable. The program attempts to support students and professionals from a broad range of backgrounds and interests. Scholarship funds can be used to cover the cost of registration, lodging and/or transportation.

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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 off-set 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 tax-deductible.

If you would like to support our efforts with a tax-deductible contribution, stop by the Registration Desk or visit our "Donate" page on the Foundation's website at www.californiatrailsconference.org for more information.



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This year's mobile app is awesome! Here are just a few benefits and reasons why you don't want to miss out on the app:

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- See all the session descriptions and speaker bios
- Connect with our exhibitors and sponsors
- Get important updates during the conference
- See the list of attendees and share contact information

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WEDNESDAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER

SAM FARRFormer U.S. Representative

Congressman Sam Farr is a longtime advocate for trails and greenways in California. During his 24 years in Congress, Congressman Farr ushered through the 2002 Big Sur Wilderness and Conservation Act, adding wilderness protection to nearly 55,000 acres along the Big Sur coast. He authored the bill to upgrade Pinnacles National Monument to National Park status, ensuring its protection for generations. He was instrumental in the re-use of the Fort Ord military base as open space, a state park, and a California State University campus. In doing so, Congressman Farr created new public access to four miles of California coastline,



including a new section of California Coastal Trail, at Fort Ord Dunes State Park. He was the original visionary behind the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail and continues to support acquisition and development of remaining sections. Prior to serving in Congress, Farr served 12 years in the California State Assembly and six years as Monterey County Supervisor. He graduated from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon and attended the Monterey Institute of International Studies and the University of Santa Clara. He began his career in public service in 1964 serving in the Peace Corps in Colombia. Now retired, Congressman Farr continues his advocacy work for trails and greenways throughout Central California.

THURSDAY LUNCH PLENARY

SARAH CUPERY OTTLEY

Sarah Cupery Ottley spent the first seven years of her career teaching Outdoor Education in Santa Cruz and Yosemite before she finally put her finger on the specific work she wanted to be a part of: empowering low-income youth through wilderness experiences and long-term relationships. She and ARC found each other in 2008, as ARC was looking for someone to start a new program site in Yosemite and the Central Valley. ARC's participants and programs transformed Sarah during her first four years with ARC, implementing and supervising programs. Now in her fourth year as the ED, she is honored to play a supporting role to the all-important programs by fundraising, budgeting, and strategic planning. Sarah lives in Oakhurst with her husband and one-year-old son, Owen, and she enjoys backpacking, hiking, rock climbing, and international travel.



THURSDAY LUNCH PLENARY

JESUS ALBERTO ALEJANDRE ARROYO

Jesus Alberto Alejandre Arroyo migrated to the United States in 2005 and had been on the move throughout Southern California until arriving in Dos Palos in 2008. The next year, his freshman year of high school, Jesus met Sarah from Adventure Risk Challenge during a class presentation. Jesus went on to become an ARC student and graduated from the summer course in Yosemite in 2012. After graduating high school, Jesus was initially a student at Fresno State University. Because of the financial burden of college, Jesus moved to Livermore to work construction and save money, then returned to Dos Palos to attend Merced College. Jesus is now in his 3rd year as a student at Merced College and as the Bilingual Outreach Coordinator for ARC. He helps recruit participants and mentors alumni, and during the summer is an ARC educator and instructor. He tells his story of being an undocumented youth to empower students in the same situation. Jesus currently lives in Dos Palos and enjoys hiking, photography, kayaking, and backpacking.



THURSDAY LUNCH PLENARY

VERA REYES

Vera Reyes, age 24, immigrated to the United States when she was two years old and was raised in the small community of Dos Palos. Dos Palos is a town that is just two hours away from Yosemite National Park but it was not until she participated in ARC's weekend retreat at the age of 17 that she obtained the opportunity to hike her first trail in Yosemite Valley. This outdoor experience changed her goals and interests for the outdoors. She attended the University of California, Merced where she had more opportunities to work for Yosemite National Park and develop more leadership skills. Today she is not only working for the National Park Service, she is one of ARC's board members and will take over as board chair in June. She serves on the board because she wants to encourage more youth to have positive experiences in the outdoors. Vera is currently finishing her first seasonal position and wants to continue to hold a position that is relevant to the outdoors, leadership, and reaching out to youth.



Wednesday, April 19	Activity	Location
7:00 AM – 6:30 PM	Registration Desk Open	Regency Foyer
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	District Trail Coordinators Training (DTCT)	Oak Tree Room
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Set-up	Regency Grand Ballroom
	Pre-Conference Workshops	
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Universal Trail Assessment Process & High Efficiency Trail Assessment Process Coordination Sponsored by Santa Clara County Open Space Authority	Spyglass Room
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Walking Tour of the Proposed Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway Sponsored by Santa Clara County Parks	Meet at the South Entrance to the Conference Center
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Flow Mountain Bike Trail Walking and Biking Tour Sponsored by Sutter Equipment Company	Meet at the South Entrance to the Conference Center
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Monterey Coastal Trail Walking and Biking Tour Sponsored by Valley Truck and Tractor Company	Meet at the South Entrance to the Conference Center
12:00 – 6:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Mark Thomas Foyer and Regency Grand Ballroom

Session Trac	ks Trail Manager Tool Box	Promoting Trails	Alternative Trails	Interpretation		
Wednesday Educational Breakout Sessions						
	Creating a Safety C Employees and the	olunteers :	Spyglass Room			
1:00 PM –	A Vision for Outdoo	or Recreation in	California	Big Sur Room		
2:00 PM	Lifting Small Boats	– The Rise of W	ater Trails	Windjammer Room		
	Accessible Flood Zo Mobile Amenities	one Trails that T	each with	Cypress Room		
2:00 – 2:15 PM	BREAK		1.	Mark Thomas Foyer		
	Designing Sustainable, Fun Trails - The "String Theory" Method			Spyglass Room		
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	Creating Inspiration Vision	Big Sur Room				
3:13 FIVI	Pocket Trails: Small	ct	Windjammer Room			
	Interpreting a Watershed: The Watershed Explorer Program			Cypress Room		
3:15 – 3:30 PM	BREAK			Mark Thomas Foyer		
	Harness Visitor Use Data to Empower Outdoor Experiences			Spyglass Room		
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Tools for Strengthening Rural Communities through Trail Development			Big Sur Room		
4.50110	Pop-up Trails: Demonstrating long-term value			Windjammer Room		
	You Can Get There Beyond the Standa	thin and	Cypress Room			
4:30 – 5:30 PM	BREAK			On Your Own		
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	E-bike Demonstration			Meet at the South Entrance to the Conference Center		
4:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Coastal Video Shor		Big Sur Room			

Wednesday Evening Welcome Event					
5:30 - 6:30 PM	WELCOME RECEPTION (No host bar) Sponsored by Sierra Nevada Conservancy	Regency Foyer			
5:30 PM	RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION OPEN	Regency Grand Ballroom			
6:30 – 9:00 PM	WELCOME DINNER & KEYNOTE by Congressman Sam Farr Sponsored by California Trails and Greenways Foundation	Regency Grand Ballroom			
9:00 - 11:00 PM	Hospitality Suite Sponsored by Firestone Walker and the Monterey Bay Wine Company	ТВА			
Thursday, April 20	Activity	Location			
7:30 AM - 6:30 PM	Registration Desk Open	Regency Foyer			
8:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Exhibits Open	Mark Thomas Foyer & Regency Grand Ballroom			
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	District Trail Coordinators Training (DTCT)	Oak Tree Room			

Session Tracks		Trail Manager Tool Box	Planning	Partnerships	Regional Trails		
	Thursday Educational Breakout Sessions						
		Increasing Connectivity for Humans and Wildlife in an Urban Environment			pyglass Room		
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Community Led Trail Planning with Land Manager Agencies			Land E	Big Sur Room		
	Antonelli Pond: A Nonprofits Quest for Security of an Open-Space			t for V	Vindjammer Room		
	50 years of National Trails in California			rnia (Cypress Room		
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM	BREAK				Mark Thomas Foyer		

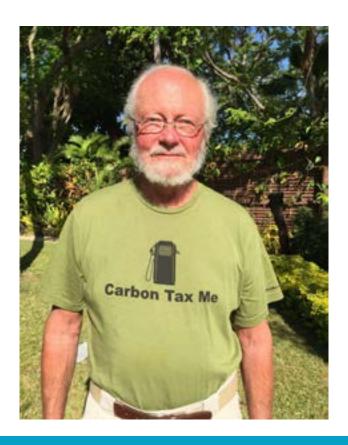
Session Tracks		Trail Manager Tool Box	Planning	Partnerships	Regional Trails	
Thursday Educational Breakout Sessions (continued)						
	The Latest Trail Technology - Crowdsourcing, Maps, and Apps			dsourcing,	Spyglass Room	
9:45 AM –	Key Planning Questions to address for Complex Projects				Big Sur Room	
10:45 AM		e Concepts for S nerships	Successful Fede	eral	Windjammer Room	
		Statewide Hike sportation Toge	and Bike Trail: ether	Trails and	Cypress Room	
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM	BRE	AK			Mark Thomas Foyer	
	Practical Lessons in Defensible Trail Project CEQA Compliance			l Project	Spyglass Room	
11:00 AM –	Planning the La Brea Corridor Greenway Trail				Big Sur Room	
12:00 PM	Public-Private Partnerships: The Napa Valley Vine Trail			Windjammer Room		
	More Than a Dream: 20 miles in 20 years				Cypress Room	
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	LUNCH with presentation by Adventure Risk Challenge - Under-Represented Youth Experience Empowerment On and Off the Trail Sponsored by the Bureau of Land Management			ted Youth d Off the	Regency Ballroom	
1:30 PM – 1:45 PM	BREAK					
	Old Money, New Money & How to Get Some!			Get Some!	Spyglass Room	
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	Master Plans & Strategic Plan: Outreach leads to Results			reach leads	Big Sur Room	
	The Annadel Trail Project: Partnering with Youth			ng with	Windjammer Room	
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	Point Piños – Trail Access vs. the Relentless Sea				Cypress Room	

Session Tracks		Trail Manager Tool Box	Planning	Partnerships	Regional Trails		
Thursday Educational Breakout Sessions (continued)							
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	BRE.	AK			Upper Concourse		
		Watch/Patrol V tact Scenarios)	olunteers – Trai	ning (Visitor	Spyglass Room		
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	The Trail to Successful Community Trail Planning				Big Sur Room		
4.00 FIVI	Wha	it is the Teen Tr	ail Corps?		Windjammer Room		
	Implementing the Santa Cruz County Coastal Rail Trail						
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	BRE.	BREAK					
4:15 PM- 5:15 PM	FILM SCREENING & DISCUSSION WITH THE DIRECTOR: MULE: Living on the Outside			I WITH	Spyglass Room		
4:15 PM- 5:15 PM	JOB	JOB FAIR			Cypress Room		
4:30 PM- 6:30 PM	Coastal Video Shorts				Big Sur Room		
	Thursday Evening Awards Event						
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	AWARDS RECEPTION (no host bar) Sponsored by Sea Otter Classic			ar)	Regency Foyer		
6:30 PM	RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION CLOSE			Regency Ballroom			
6:30 PM- 8:00 PM	AWARDS DINNER with Steve Webster Sponsored by Alta Planning and Design			Regency Ballroom			
8:00 PM- 9:00 PM	AWARDS CEREMONY Sponsored by East Bay Regional Park District and the California State Coastal Conservancy			Regency Ballroom			

THURSDAY EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

STEVEN WEBSTER

Steven Webster retired in 2004 as Senior Marine Biologist at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. He has been involved with the aquarium since its conception, first as Project Coordinator and then as Director of Education and Senior Marine Biologist Steve continues to volunteer as an interpretive guide at the aquarium, and teaches Monterey Bay natural history classes for staff and volunteers. He leads diving trips to Fiji and Indonesia, avoiding water colder in degrees F than his age in years. Steve recently helped form a Monterey Chapter of the Citizens Climate Lobby to lobby Congress to put a tax on carbon to accurately reflect the real costs of carbon-based fuels.



TRAIL AWARDS

The Annual Trail Awards provide a meaningful way to highlight and share our appreciation and admiration for those making significant contributions to recreational trails in California. The stewardship and inspiration of award recipients help the public better understand trails' contribution to a healthier, more sustainable community. Those honored for their contributions in 2016 will be announced at Thursday's Awards Dinner.

There are 10 award categories, with additional awards from the California Trails & Greenways Foundation and the State Coastal Conservancy. Summarized below are the criteria for each award. Awards are presented to winning nominations that fully meet the criteria.

Consider who you will nominate for an award at our next California Trails & Greenways event. The criteria for each award and nomination instructions are available on the web at www.parks.ca.gov/trails/ctg. Updated information for 2018 award nominations will be posted on the conference website in October 2017.

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.

TRAIL AWARDS

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.

RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION

The raffle and silent auction offer additional ways for us to raise funds to support event 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.

Thursday Awards Ceremony: Join us as we close the conference and be automatically entered to win a certificate for a fully paid registration to next year's event!

HOW TO PLAY

- 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.
- Separate the Tickets -- Each ticket comes in pairs with identical numbers. To enter your bid for a raffle item, separate the pairs. 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.
- 3. You must be present to win <u>OR</u> give your tickets to a trusted friend. Because you need to be present to win, you do NOT need to put your name and contact information on the reverse side of each ticket. However, you will need to present your winning "keep this coupon" half to claim your items.
- 4. How to Use Your Tickets -- Each raffle item is numbered and has an adjacent container labeled with that item's number. When you find items you'd like to win, simply place as many tickets as you would like in the appropriately marked container or in multiple containers. You can place all your tickets in one container or spread your tickets among as many containers as you'd like.

RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION

- 5. Raffle Awards -- The raffle will end Thursday at 6:30 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 winning ticket per item. A notification will be posted outside the ballroom for viewing after the awards presentation, and will list each raffle item and the winning raffle ticket number. Simply check your tickets to see if you hold one of the lucky winners!
- 6. Claim Your Prize -- Following the awards presentation, winning ticket holders can visit the Registration Desk until 9:30 PM where an attendant will assist you in claiming your prize. Unclaimed prizes will be held and offered at next year's conference.
- 7. **Payment Options** -- The California Trails Conference Foundation can accept payments in the form of cash, check, or credit card.



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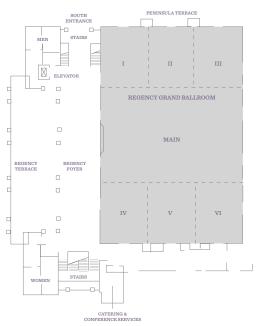
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