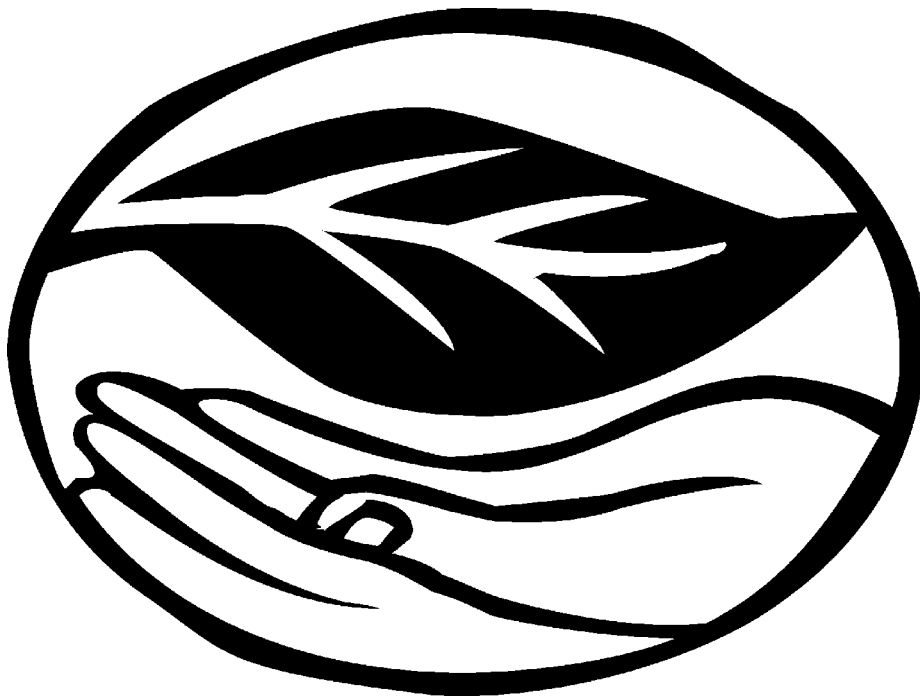


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**Responsibility,
Collaboration, and Restoration**



National Network of
Forest Practitioners

14th Annual Meeting

October 13-16, 2004
Ouray, Colorado

Ouray, Colorado

Ouray is situated in a river valley at 7,700 feet in the heart of the Rocky Mountains in southwestern Colorado. Frequently referred to by visitors as the Switzerland of America, this often-photographed town was named in honor of the famous Native American Ute Chief Ouray.

Prior to the discovery of precious minerals and the influx of miners the Tabeguache Ute Indians worshipped this spectacular valley, referring to it as their sacred place. The Utes migrated to the valley during the warm months, hunting the abundant game and soaking in the magical hot springs water. Ute Chief Ouray was instrumental in keeping peace between the Ute Indians and the many settlers during the late 19th century. Despite Chief Ouray's attempts to dissuade the federal government, the Utes were relocated to a reservation in Ignacio, Colorado.

The town of Ouray developed as a mining town when gold and silver were discovered in 1875. Unlike other mining towns, Ouray was able to survive and thrive because of the beauty of its surroundings and the natural hot springs. This popular resort destination includes local attractions and activities such as the Ouray Historical Museum, mine tours, Box Canyon Falls Park, as well as hiking, fishing, mountain biking, and horseback riding.

Ouray possesses an abundance of both architectural and natural beauty. The City of Ouray was named as a National Historic District. The town is full of old Victorian architecture and the surrounding mountain scenery is spectacular. During the fall the surrounding aspen forests exhibit glorious displays of golden colors as the trees prepare for their winter retreat.

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A special thanks to this year's annual meeting committee:
 Thomas Brendler, Vanessa Casanova, Penny Frazier, Marvin Glin, Art Goodtimes, Sandra D. Jones, Stu Krebs, Bruce McAfee Towl, Susan LaPolice, Mary Mitsos, Orlando Romero, Nanda Shewmangal, Susan Snow, Mark Vander Meer, Mike Wood, and Kim Ziegelmayr.

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RESPONSIBILITY, COLLABORATION, AND RESTORATION

The theme of the National Network of Forest Practitioners 14th Annual Meeting is a reflection of the efforts, in the Four Corners region and nationwide, toward valuing the landscape and culture in a new way. With vast tracts of public lands, a changing ecology and economy, and rapid population growth, the southwest is under increasing pressure to sustainably manage forest lands for a variety of benefits, including biodiversity, community well-being, and viable local economies.

Our local host, the Public Lands Partnership (PLP) is an outstanding example of this type of effort. The PLP is an informal organization consisting of city and county officials, citizens, and people from a variety of local interests including logging, ranching, recreation and conservation. The PLP promotes awareness of economic and environmental issues related to public lands, and provides a local forum for airing different perspectives on natural resource issues.

This year's annual meeting focuses on three areas. **Responsibility** will explore the relationship between consumption, ecological issues and the need for restoration, primarily through an interactive art exhibit. **Collaboration** will highlight effective models and tools related to relationship building, working together, and partnerships. **Restoration** will focus on practical, hands-on, skill-building sessions.

Once a year the NNFP brings together forest practitioners from around the country for four days of learning, networking, and just plain fun. It's a great opportunity to learn about cutting-edge developments in the field, share knowledge and ideas, and get skills and information to take back home. With workshops, group discussions, field trips, and other activities, the meeting will help build a deeper understanding of the immense diversity of community forestry, and help create opportunities for working together. It's also a chance for you to tell your story.

The goals of the meeting are to:

- Strengthen the linkages between the ecological, social and economic elements of community forestry;
- Connect with and learn about other people, organizations, and businesses working in the world of community forestry;
- Build skills and connections that will help you in your work and in your community.

the meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2004

3:00PM – 5:00PM

PRE-MEETING REGISTRATION

6:30PM

WELCOME AND OUTLAW COOKOUT

Join us for a jeep ride into the Uncompahgre National Forest, where you will dine in a spectacular mountain setting near Yankee Boy Basin, next to a roaring canyon creek.

(2 hours and 15 minutes from pick up to drop off.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2004

7:00AM – 8:00AM

BREAKFAST

8:00AM – 1:30PM

FIELD TRIP: Collaborative Science and Deep Ecology (Ironton Park and Silverton)

Trip Leaders: Art Goodtimes and Alan Staehle

Host Organizers: Red Mountain Project, Mountain Studies Institute and Way of the Mountain Center

Drive south over the spectacular Million Dollar Highway and stop in Ironton Park for a discussion of the Red Mountain Project. Learn about a major shift in forest policy that led to land preservation rather than disposal, and understand the economics of preserving forest lands and mining history.

From there we will cross the incredibly scenic Red Mountain Pass (11,075 ft.) into Silverton to visit the Mountain Studies Institute (MSI), a new mountain research and education institution and high-altitude scientific field station.

Learn about MSI's work to support innovative collaborative science projects, field researchers, educators and students in Silverton and the region. Last stop will be a personal visit with mountain guru Dolores LaChapelle, founder of the Way of the Mountain Center and internationally respected author and pioneer of deep ecology — the environmental movement founded on two basic principles: scientific insight into the interrelatedness of all systems of life on earth, together with a philosophy which advocates a change of consciousness, away from a human-centered view of the earth to a more ecological, nature-centered perspective.

Please make sure to indicate your field trip choices on the registration form. This field trip will take about 5½ hours, please plan accordingly. Box lunch will be provided.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2004

12:00PM – 1:30PM

LUNCH – for those who do not go on the field trip

2:00PM – 4:00PM

PANEL: Learning from Global Community Forestry Experiences

By September 2004, the NNFPP and the Pinchot Institute will have organized two workshops bringing together international and domestic community forestry practitioners. The purpose was to tap into expertise from different parts of the world. Learn about the exchange of knowledge and experiences at the workshops, what's happening to community forestry outside the USA, and opportunities for the future. Moderator: Ajit Krishnaswamy, National Network of Forest Practitioners. Presenters: TBA

WORKSHOP: How Community/Agency Collaboration Produces Active Wildfire Preparation

The co-founders of Community Solutions will take participants through processes that will answer the following questions. How is Community Wildfire Protection Planning the key to community wildfire preparation activation? How can we help agency and community members to collaboratively organize, plan and initiate wildfire preparation activities? How do we change a fearful community culture into one that routinely prepares for wildfire? What are the main categories of actions that communities must address to best prepare for wildfire? How do partnership and collaboration positively impact community activation? Utah Community Wildfire Preparation Guide and sample community plans will be shared. Facilitators: Kathy Hammons and Janet Johnson, Community Solutions

PANEL: Understanding Local Leadership in Underserved Communities

How do you know when you are working with a community leader? What characteristics make a good leader? Are they old or young? There are almost as many answers to these questions as there are communities. Please join us for an informal "Talking Circle" where we will explore some of the responses, looking at local leadership through our experiences and cultural lenses. Learn how one Hispanic community identifies and develops their leadership; how a member of the Forest Service is reaching out to and identifying local leadership - through the lense of his Cambodian culture; and how youth are providing leadership to both elders and young people. Moderator: Barbara Wyckoff-Baird, NNFPP Board and Aspen Institute. Presenters: Andrea Cruz, Southeast Georgia Communities Project Inc.; José Matus, Derechos Humanos; Crystal Oliver, Federation of Southern Cooperatives; Johnny Sundstrom, Western Coalition of Conservation Districts; Ranachith "Ronnie" Yimsut, Forest Service

4:00PM – 4:30PM

BREAK

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4:30PM – 6:00PM

UNSTRUCTURED TIME

Informal networking, view participant displays, explore the area

6:00PM – 7:00PM

WELCOME RECEPTION

Hosted by Public Lands Partnership and NNFP Board of Directors

GUEST SPEAKER

Johnny Sundstrom, Chair, Western Coalition of Conservation Districts

7:00PM

DINNER

Followed by an evening of poetry and storytelling, open to everyone

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2004

7:00AM – 8:00AM

BREAKFAST

8:15AM – 10:15AM

Welcome & Membership Meeting, Session I

Welcome activities, presentation and discussion of expected behavior and principles for the meeting. Reports on NNFP activities from members and staff. Facilitator: Barbara Wyckoff-Baird, Vice President, NNFP Board

10:15AM – 10:30AM

BREAK

10:30AM – 12:00PM

PLENARY: Perspectives on Gender Equity, Communication and Conflict in the World of Community Forestry

Researchers have identified many differences in how men and women communicate. Current theory suggests that the way we are socialized - with respect to gender - influences the way women and men view the world, resulting in drastically different ways of hearing, listening, and speaking. In this plenary session presenters will discuss some of this research, what it means, how it affects our relationships and ultimately our ability to work together in the world of community forestry. This session will also explore community forestry in the light of gender, including perceptions, expectations, and behavior related to interactions between women and men, as well



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as traditional and non-traditional roles in the forest. Facilitator: Iantha Gantt-Wright, The Kenian Group.

12:00PM – 1:30PM

LUNCH - for those who do not go on the field trips. **FIELD TRIPS DEPART.**

12:00PM – 6:30PM

FIELD TRIP: Restoration, Responsibility and Collaboration with the Public Land Partnership and Other Local Forest Groups (Montrose)

Trip Leaders: Mary Chapman, Daniela Howell, and Stu Krebs

Host Organizers: Public Lands Partnership, Uncompahgre Project, the County Partnership Restoration effort and the Western Colorado Congress

An opportunity to talk with various Montrose-based collaborative and social responsibility groups and visit a collaborative forest restoration effort. First, a discussion, at the Ute Museum in Montrose, with members of a nine-year community collaborative effort. Learn about an experimental pilot forest project aimed at giving county government a bigger say in restoration of public land; talk with activists from the Western Colorado Congress about the group's efforts to deal with forest issues and public lands management; and visit the Uncompahgre Plateau to take a look at some actual forest restoration work and talk about the accomplishments and challenges of this landscape-level process.

Please make sure to indicate your field trip choices on the registration form. This field trip will take about 6½ hours, please plan accordingly. Box lunch will be provided.

FIELD TRIP: Local Preservation Efforts (Telluride)

Trip Leaders: Art Goodtimes and Mallory Dimmitt

Host Organizers: San Juan Fens Partnership, San Miguel Conservancy, San Miguel County Open Space, San Miguel Watershed Coalition, Sheep Mountain Alliance, and The Nature Conservancy

We will cross over from the Uncompahgre River Basin to the San Miguel Watershed and follow the free-flowing San Miguel River up to its headwaters in Telluride's spectacular box canyon, with numerous waterfalls (including the state's highest – Bridalveil Falls). There we will visit with various local watershed groups and learn of their efforts to preserve Telluride's unique high alpine basins. We may, weather permitting, visit the site of an innovative science-based partnership built around the preservation of a high alpine basin's 10,000-year-old wetlands as mitigation for the Telluride Ski Area's recent expansion. Dr. David J. Cooper, world fen expert, will be on hand to discuss his on-going monitoring work.

Please make sure to indicate your field trip choices on the registration form.. This field trip will take about 6½ hours, please plan accordingly. Box lunch will be provided.

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1:30PM – 3:30PM

WORKSHOP: Working Across Gender and Cultures

This session will further explore the concepts and ideas presented during the plenary session. Working across genders and cultures we will learn and apply new ways of communicating and respecting each other across these lines.

Finally, we will develop actions that we can take as individuals, members and leaders in community forestry to carry this message throughout the movement. Facilitator: Iantha Gantt-Wright, The Kenian Group.

3:30PM – 4:00PM

BREAK

4:00PM – 7:00PM

UNSTRUCTURED TIME

Informal networking, view participant displays, explore the area

7:00PM

GUEST SPEAKER

Gary Paul Nabhan, Executive Director, Center for Sustainable Environments at Northern Arizona University

DINNER - followed by music from the region



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6:00AM – 8:00AM

BREAKFAST - box breakfast & lunch will be provided on the field trips.

6:00AM – 1:00PM

FIELD TRIP: Fire 10 Years Later and Burn Canyon Timber Salvage Sale

(Sanborn Park and Burn Canyon)

Trip Leaders: Art Goodtimes and Steve Schrock

Host Organizers: Ella and Everett Maroff and the Burn Canyon Monitoring Task Force/Public Lands Partnership

Enjoy a beautiful sunrise drive over Dallas Divide and the high peaks of the Sneffels Range to visit Uncompahgre National Forest to inspect the site of a wildfire which burned in 1994. A local logger and his wife — with lifelong experience in forest products — will give you their perspective on the restoration work accomplished and what else might have been done. Then we will wind back down the San Miguel River Canyon and up Norwood Hill to visit the Burn Canyon salvage timber sale site amid



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ponderosa pine groves. Environmental appeals were avoided thanks to a community monitoring project, an example of how collaboration and local leadership can replace litigation as the primary avenue of public involvement in public lands management.

Please make sure to indicate your field trip choices on the registration form.. This field trip will take about 7½ hours, please plan accordingly. Box: breakfast and lunch will be provided.

8:00AM – 12:00PM

UNSTRUCTURED TIME

Informal networking, view participant displays, explore the area

12:00PM – 1:30PM

LUNCH - for those who do not go on field trip

1:30PM – 3:30PM

PANEL: The Changing Face of Forest Workers

This panel will delve into the issues surrounding the work, challenges, and barriers faced by the forest workers of today, with a particular emphasis on the migrant/immigrant forest worker community across the nation. This discussion will look at temporary, contract workers/H-2B guest workers; access to contracts; access to health care and social services; and cultural, gender and age diversity in the workforce. Moderator: Vanessa Casanova, Auburn University. Presenters: Beau Brodbeck, Auburn, AL; Andrea Cruz, Southeast Georgia Communities Project Inc.; Sarah Kristin Loose, Jefferson Center for Education and Research; Enrique Santos, Alliance of Forest Workers and Harvesters; José Matus, Derechos Humanos; José Montenegro, CIDERS. Session will be in Spanish and English.

WORKSHOP: Accessing Public and Private Lands for Small Business Entrepreneurs

Small business owners may lack the experience or know-how necessary to legally acquire the forest products they depend on to keep their business productive. This how to session will provide participants with tools and tips to gain entry onto public and privately held forest lands. Moderator: Orlando Romero, NNFP Board and The Forest Guild. Presenters: TBA

PANEL: Biophysical and Social Multiparty Monitoring

Practitioners' livelihoods are often affected by bad forest practices and policies. They are also essential players in multiparty monitoring of forest conditions and its social, economic and cultural impacts. Learn about multiparty monitoring, and how practitioners are monitoring the condition of forests and its resources, such as Native American basket-weaving materials, floral greens, and other non-timber forest products (NTFPs). Also learn how youth are engaging in multiparty monitoring. Moderator: Ajit Krishnaswamy, National Network of Forest Practitioners. Presenters: Heidi Ballard, University of California; Richard Hart, NNFP Board; Don Hankins; Jonathan Kusel, Pacific West Community Forestry Center; Kathryn Lynch, Institute for Culture and Ecology; Martha Schumann, Southwest Community Forestry Research Center.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2004**PANEL: Fire Money: Risk, Capacity, Poverty and Federal Assistance**

Come see the first public presentation of this cutting edge project that shows the relationship between wildfire risk, community fire-fighting capacity, poverty and where federal fire assistance is actually hitting the ground. The results of a collaboration between NNFP, the Center for Watershed and Community Health and the USFS – State and Private Forestry will provide GIS maps that visually illustrate this data. The discussion will also include important insights about future monitoring and tracking of information essential to community wildfire assistance. Moderator: Wendy Gerlitz, National Network of Forest Practitioners. Presenters: Kathy Lynn, Center for Community and Watershed Health (Invited); and others.

3:30PM – 4:00PM**BREAK****4:00PM – 6:00PM****PANEL: Forest Restoration Workers' Training**

Forest restoration is a growing sector of forest work. Unfortunately traditional forest workers may lack the skills and experience needed to conduct restoration projects. Learn how to organize a forest restoration training program in your community that re-trains experienced foresters and loggers and trains a new generation of woods workers. Moderator: Mark Vander Meer, National Network of Forest Practitioners. Presenters: TBA

PANEL: Adding Value: Producing and Marketing Restoration, Socially and Ecologically Responsible Forest Products

As businesses go, socially and ecologically responsible forest products can be especially challenging. Come and learn about value added products from forest restoration work, and how these and other social and environmentally responsible forest products are produced and marketed. This workshop will offer practical advice to help participants survive and prosper. Moderator: TBA. Presenters: Phil Archuletta, P&M Plastics, Inc.; Len Lankford, Greenleaf Forestry and Wood Products, Inc.; and others

PANEL: Community-Based Forestry: The Next Generation

Come and learn about the future generation of community-based forestry practitioners. Listen to presentations about the different projects these young people are implementing in their communities, including biophysical monitoring, GIS mapping and peer-to-peer environmental education. Moderator: Emily Platt, Gifford Pinchot Task Force. Presenters: Jordan Aney, Paisley, OR; Dulce Rueles, Derechos Humanos; Dexter Speight, Federation of Southern Cooperatives; and others.



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ROUNDTABLE: Restoring our Vision of Forests with Non-timber Forest Products (NTFPs)

Tens of thousands of people from diverse ethnic, class, gender, age and cultural backgrounds harvest non-timber forest products. Active management for these products could conserve forest biodiversity while protecting non-market NTFP needs. This session will bring together harvesters, researchers, restoration practitioners, commercial users, traditional users and recreational users and others with an interest in examining how NTFP's can be used in forest restoration and supporting harvester livelihoods. All forest practitioners are encouraged to bring their non-timber forest products and share their vision of how non-timber forest products can help restore our forests. Moderator: Eric Jones, Institute For Culture and Ecology.

6:00PM – 7:00PM

UNSTRUCTURED TIME

Informal networking, view participant displays, explore the area

7:00PM

DINNER

Followed by a Celebration

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7:00AM – 8:30AM

BREAKFAST

8:30AM – 10:30AM

PANEL: Local and Regional Strategies to Get Involved in Policy

This how to workshop will introduce participants to the various strategies and methods for making your voice heard in discussions and decisions around local and regional natural resource management issues. Moderator: Lisa Diehl, West Virginia Women Work.

Presenters: TBA

WORKSHOP: Tools for Collaboration

Collaboration is the key to successful partnerships as well as efforts to involve and work with diverse groups and individuals. This workshop will provide participants with skills and tools to make this often challenging process less divisive and more efficient. Facilitator: Mary Mitsos, NNFPP Board and National Forest Foundation.

WORKSHOP: Community Mediation

Mediation is a necessary component of collaboration. This workshop will provide participants with basic tools and skills for mediating effectively between diverse groups and interests. Facilitator: Barbara Edwards, National Network of Forest Practitioners.

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WORKSHOP: What We Say and What We Do: Values in Theory, Values in Action

Participants will examine the underlying causes of our need to restore forests. We will discuss the interactive art exhibit and examine ways our consumption patterns impact our forest communities. Following the tools used by the Roots and Shoots program developed by Jane Goodall, we will gain a deeper understanding of our responsibility to forests. Session participants will come away with tools that will help them to develop a greater capacity to make environmentally responsible choices. Moderator: Tamara Walkingstick, Forest Service. Presenters: TBA

10:30AM – 11:30AM

BREAK AND UNSTRUCTURED TIME

Informal networking, view participant displays, explore the area

11:30AM – 1:00PM

LUNCH

1:00PM – 3:00PM

PANEL: Social Responsibility in Forest Work

The three foundations upon which community forestry was built are social, ecological and economic sustainability. Come and learn about efforts from across the country to bring social responsibility into forest management decisions. Moderator: Frank Taylor, NNFP Board and Winston County Self-Help Cooperative. Presenters: TBA

WORKSHOP: Contracting Basics for Government and Private Lands

Securing government contracts, or writing contracts between you and a private landowner, are complex yet essential tasks in the forest restoration trade. Learn the basics of bidding, securing, and executing contracts from practitioners who have honed their skills through constant application. Moderator: Mark Vander Meer, National Network of Forest Practitioners. Presenters: TBA

PANEL: Restoration Principles: Integrating Science and Practice Through Consensus

Come join the discussion of the challenges of implementing the Restoration Principles, a collective vision of over 120 groups and individuals from the conservation and practitioner communities. This session will introduce the Principles and provide perspectives from some of the individuals involved in using the Restoration Principles on the ground. An open group discussion will follow. This session aims to further improve the dialogue



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and understanding between the conservation community and practitioners. Moderator: Michael Wood, NNFP Board. Presenters: Brett Brownscomb, Hells Canyon Preservation Council; Oshana Catranides, Lomakatsi Restoration Project; Chris Charters, Partnership for a Sustainable Methow; Marnie Criley, Wildlands CPR; Hugh Irwin, Southern Appalachian Forest Coalition; and Anne Martin, America Lands Alliance.

3:00PM – 3:30PM

BREAK

3:30PM – 5:00PM

Membership meeting, Session II

Including an informal evaluation of the annual meeting

6:00PM

DINNER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2004

10:00AM – 5:00PM

NNFP BOARD MEETING

All members are welcome!

It was a pleasure meeting people from many states
and other countries. We exchanged ideas but came
together for a common cause and hope to pass
these ideas on to our children and grandchildren
- 2003 Annual Meeting participant

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

For updated agenda information, registration and scholarship form, please visit our website at www.nnfp.org.

MEET OUR GUEST SPEAKERS:

JOHNNY SUNDSTROM is President of the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts, and Chair of his local Siuslaw Soil & Water Conservation District. He currently serves as Chair of the 17-state Western Coalition of Conservation Districts, as well as the Forestry Committee and Board of the National Association of Conservation Districts. Sundstrom is a member of the Siuslaw Stewardship Group and the Watershed Council. He has published many articles and is often interviewed concerning natural resource management issues and opportunities.

As founder and coordinator of the Siuslaw Institute Inc. in Deadwood, Oregon, he manages salmon habitat restoration projects, and oversees the Natural Resource Education Program and a Native Plants Nursery at the Mapleton School District. He is manager and one of the owners of a 160 acre ranching and woodland operation in Oregon's Coast Range Mountains. He attended Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts and Shoreline High School near Seattle. Sundstrom has worked as a professional stage manager, carpenter, writer and filmmaker, and has raised countless cows, goats, sheep, and horses over the past three decades in Deadwood, Oregon. He built a house for his family, is the father of two grown children, and he tries to visit his parents in Cave Junction, Oregon as often as possible.

GARY PAUL NABHAN builds teams which bring a wealth of experience, talent, energy, and passion to the projects of the Center for Sustainable Environments at Northern Arizona University. During his years of studying and living in the Southwest, Nabhan co-founded the non-profit conservation group Native Seeds/SEARCH, spearheaded the Ironwood Alliance (responsible for research and public support that led to a 120,000 acre Ironwoods Forest National Monument), and initiated the Traditional Native American Farmers' Association. For his cross-cultural collaborations, he was awarded a MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society for Conservation Biology. Nabhan skillfully crosses the disciplinary, linguistic and ethnic boundaries among the many different communities in the southwest where he lives and works.

As the first Director of CSE, Nabhan is responsible for coordinating an expanding array of environmentally oriented programs and initiatives which bridge the NAU campus with the surrounding region. He is also a tenured professor in Applied Indigenous Studies and the Center for Environmental Sciences and Education. Nabhan's writing is widely anthologized and translated, and has won the John Burroughs Medal for Nature Writing, a Western States Book Award.

FLYING

The most conveniently located airport is Montrose Airport, approximately a 40 mile (55 minute) drive from Ouray. This airport is strongly recommended to be your first option. Telluride Airport the next best option and is a 47 mile (1 hour) drive from Ouray. Grand Junction airport is a 100 mile (2 hour) drive from Ouray, and Durango is a 70 mile (2 ½ hour) drive from Ouray and involves 3 curvy mountain passes.

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FROM MONTROSE AIRPORT

Start out going Southeast on AIRPORT RD. 0.1 miles

Turn RIGHT to stay on AIRPORT RD.

Turn LEFT onto US-50/N TOWNSEND AVE. Continue to follow N TOWNSEND AVE 2.6 miles. N TOWNSEND AVE becomes US-550. 37.5 miles. End at Ouray.

Total Est. Time: 55 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 40.42 miles

FROM TELLURIDE AIRPORT

Start out going Northwest on T60 RD/LAST DOLLAR RD toward 63G RD. 0.3 miles. Stay straight to go onto 62L RD/639 RD (Portions unpaved). 1.8 miles. Turn RIGHT onto CO-1459.2 miles. Turn RIGHT onto CO-62. 23.3 miles. Turn RIGHT onto US-550. 12.9 miles

End at OURAY CO.

Total Est. Time: 1 hour, 12 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 47.73 miles

FROM DURANGO AIRPORT

Start out going North on AIRPORT RD/CR-309 toward CR-309A 1.0 miles. Turn LEFT onto CO-172. 5.6 miles. Turn LEFT onto US-160. 7.4 miles. US-160 becomes US-550 N. 68.3 miles. End at OURAY CO

Total Est. Time: 1 hour, 55 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 82.53 miles

FROM GRAND JUNCTION AIRPORT

Start out going East on H RD toward HORIZON DR. 0.1 miles. Turn RIGHT onto HORIZON DR W 1.0 miles. Merge onto I-70 E via the ramp- on the left. 5.1 miles. Take the I-70-BL W exit- exit number 37- toward CLIFTON/DELTA. 0.2 miles. Merge onto I-70 BL W/CO-141 S 1.0 miles. Turn LEFT onto 32ND RD/CO-141. Continue to follow CO-141 E. 8.0 miles. Stay straight to go onto US-50 E 51.8 miles. Stay straight to go onto S TOWNSEND AVE/US-550. Continue to follow US-550. 39.1 miles. End at OURAY CO.

Total Est. Time: 2 hours, 22 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 106.69 miles

LODGING INFORMATION

ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BOOKING THEIR OWN ROOM.

DEADLINE TO MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS: SEPTEMBER 12, 2004.

Some hotels have suites available at special rates. If interested please inquire directly with the hotel. If you would like to share a room let the hotel reservation person know and they will try to match you up with another meeting participant of the same gender.

OPTION ONE: BOX CANYON LODGE & HOT SPRINGS

45 Third Avenue

P.O. Box 439

Ouray, CO 81427

(970) 325-4981

(800) 327-5080

bcm@boxcanyonouray.com

www.boxcanyonouray.com

Promotional code: NNFP

RATES: \$55.45 per night for single or double occupancy including tax; \$5 per person per night for additional guests.



The Box Canyon Lodge & Hot Springs is one of Ouray's most popular inns. Through the years it has become the traditional vacation destination... a home away from home... for a large percentage of Ouray's visitors. The Lodge is well situated in a peaceful location away from the noise of highway traffic but within easy walking distance of all the shops and restaurants. Several 135 to 155-degree sulphur-free hot springs surface on our property and revitalizing in the hot springs water is enjoyed by guests year-round. Terraced on the mountainside, our outdoor redwood spas (at 103 to 108 degrees) are situated so you can enjoy the mineral hot springs and the spectacular 360-degree views of the mountains surrounding Ouray. All major credit cards except Diner's card; Local checks and out of state checks accepted with ID.

OPTION TWO: OURAY VICTORIAN INN

P.O. Box 1812
50 3rd Ave.
Ouray, CO 81427-1812
(970) 325-7222
(800) 84-ouray (846-8729)
info@ouraylodging.com
www.ouraylodging.com
Promotional code: NNFP

RATES: \$55.45 per night for single or double occupancy including tax; \$5 per person per night for additional guests

The Ouray Victorian Inn is a AAA three diamond facility (Historical Society architectural winner). It has a central location at the river, 38 immaculate and spacious rooms completely remodeled in May 2002, two hot tubs and a playground, phones and cable TV, in-room coffee, fax and copy service, and a conference/meeting room. All major credit cards except Diner's card; Local checks accepted; Out of state checks are not.

OPTION THREE: BEST WESTERN-TWIN PEAKS

PO Box 320
125 Third Ave
Ouray, CO 81427-1812
(970) 325-4427
(800) 207-2700
twinpeaks@ouraynet.com
www.bestwestern.com/twinpeaks (reservations)
Promotional Code: NNFP

RATES: \$55.45 per night for single or double occupancy including tax; \$5 per person per night for additional guests

The Best Western-Twin Peaks rooms have in-room coffee, refrigerators, air conditioning and beautiful views of the surrounding mountains. Free high speed internet is available. Natural hot springs soaking pool and indoor hot springs whirlpool. All major credit cards accepted, no personal checks, Travelers checks are welcomed.

CAMPING

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(970) 325-4418
www.colorado-directory.com
Promotional code NNFP

RATES: Full hook-ups are \$24/night, tent sites \$18/night.

Known for its friendliness and convenience the campground is located on the river, just 4 blocks from the Ouray Community Center, this campground has been owned and operated by the Clark family since 1956. There are full hook-ups and tent sites, showers and laundry facilities. Visa, Mastercard, checks (including out of state) and cash are accepted.

TIMBERIDGE CAMPGROUND

1515 N. Main
Ouray, CO 81427
(970) 325-4523
trcamp@ouraynet.co
www.westslopedigital.com (view picture only)
Promotional code NNFP

RATES: Furnished cabins (no bathroom) \$50/night, tent sites/no hook-ups \$15/night.

Located just out of town, with a walking trail and a restaurant on site. Port available to check e-mail. All credit cards except Diner's card, checks (including out of town) and cash are accepted.

MEALS

All meals will be catered by local establishments at the Ouray Community Center. The daily cost for meals is \$40. Please indicate which days you will be needing meals on your registration form and include payment with your form.

OUTLAW COOKOUT, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12 AT 6:30PM

\$26 PER PERSON

Experience a traditional western cookout! Take an open air jeep into the Uncompaghre National Forest where you will dine in a spectacular mountain setting near Yankee Boy Basin, next to a roaring canyon creek. USDA Choice aged steak from Colorado's finest, cooked over the coals, fried potatoes, and corn on the cob, western baked beans, baked brown bread, watermelon chilled in the stream, camp coffee, and marshmallows toasted on the campfire (will be held indoors if inclement weather).

CHILDCARE

If you will be needing childcare services while at the meeting please contact Kim Ziegelmayer or Susan LaPolice at 888-252-1008 when you register. A copy of your child's immunization record is mandatory for childcare assistance.

VISITOR GUIDE

The Ouray Chamber Resort Association will provide a detailed visitor guide upon request. To order please contact: 1-800-228-1876 or www.ouraycolorado.com

CHECKLIST

- ✓ Make flight arrangements as soon as possible to take advantage of cheaper fares
- ✓ Make airport shuttle reservations
- ✓ Reserve your accommodations with Ouray Victorian Inn, Box Canyon Lodge & Hot Springs, Best Western-Twin Peaks, 4-J Campground, or Timberidge Campground
- ✓ Complete and mail registration & scholarship form to the NNFP along with your registration fee and if appropriate, fees for meal passes and Tuesday dinner pass
- ✓ Make sure to pre-register for the field trips

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