



BEAVERCON SCHEDULE

October 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 & 24

University of Colorado

Glenn Miller Ballroom // University Memorial Center
1669 Euclid Avenue, Boulder, Colorado 80309



Saturday, October 19

8:00am - 5:00pm	CAMERON PEAK WILDFIRE FIELD TRIP - Separate signup required, lunch provided
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Sunday, October 20

9:00am - 3:00pm	URBAN BEAVER FIELD TRIP - Separate signup required, lunch provided
4:00pm - 5:30pm	Conference Check-In @ Embassy Suites // 2601 Canyon Boulevard, Boulder, CO 80302
5:30pm - 7:30pm	Boulder Watershed Collective & Colorado Riparian Association Cocktail Gathering @ The Dairy Arts Center // 2590 Walnut Street, Boulder, CO 80302 Light food & refreshments provided, conference check-in available

Monday, October 21

	Main Ballroom	West Ballroom	Aspen Room	Museum of Natural History
8am - 9am	Conference Check-In // Please note breakfast is on your own throughout the conference, but coffee, tea & snacks will be available all day			
9am - 9:50am	OPENING CEREMONY: Vice Chair Lorelei Cloud (Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council) + Cami' Leonard & Lisa Nevada (Artist Commission activation) + Beaver Institute Staff			
9:50am - 10:15am	Fighting Fire with Beavers: Where, When & Why Beaver Wetlands Stay Green During Wildfires - Dr. Emily Fairfax (University of Minnesota)			
10:15am - 10:20am	Transition			
10:20am - 10:45am	From Nuisance to Nature-Based Solution: The Role of Beaver Restoration in Combating Climate Change, Drought, and Wildfires in California - Wade Crowfoot (California's Natural Resources Secretary)			
10:45am - 11:10am	Beavers in Colorado: The Once & Future Ecosystem Engineers - Dr. Ellen Wohl (Colorado State University)			
11:10am - 11:25am	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day			
11:25am - 12:05pm	A Comprehensive Review of State & Tribal Beaver Plans or Programs Across the US & UK: What's Working Well & Making a Difference - Jackie Carday (Riverscape Restoration Network & Colorado Beaver Working Group) & Alicia Marrs (National Wildlife Federation)	Restoration Where There Are No Beavers - Kawuneeche Valley Restoration Collaborative // Jennifer Wellman (The Nature Conservancy), Sara Rothburn (Colorado State University), Isabel de Silva-Shewell, PhD (NPS, Rocky Mountain National Park), Kimberly Tekavec (Northern Water Conservancy District) & Derek Schook (National Park Service) Sedimentation & Carbon Accretion in Beaver Ponds & Implications for Restoration - Dr. Katherine Linger (University of Colorado - Boulder) & James Rees (University of California - Santa Barbara)	Q & A // Respite Hall: An informal place for speakers & attendees to convene after presentations to answer further questions. Also a space to retreat if attendees need to step away from the main conference venues for networking or a breather.	
12:05pm - 1:30pm	PROVIDED LUNCH		TRIBAL LUNCH GATHERING (by invitation)	
1:30pm - 2:25pm	Are the Fish Dammed? People, Beavers & Fish - Alexa Whipple & Joe Weirich (Methow-Okanogan Beaver Project), Elyssa Kerr (Beavers Northwest), Benjamin Nugent (USDA - Wildlife Services), Sandy Walczyk (Blue Hill Heritage Trust, The Nature Conservancy) + Sara Porterfield & Nick Walrath (Trout Unlimited)	Principal of Charity Debate on Water Rights - Mark Beardsley (EcoMetrics), Sean Cronin (St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Conservancy District) & Kelly Romero-Heaney (Colorado Department of Natural Resources)	Tribal Affinity Session - (by invitation only)	
2:25pm - 2:30pm	Transition			
2:30pm - 4pm	Beavers, Farmers, and Ranchers: Perspectives on Conservation & Coexistence - Zach Ducheneaux (USDA - Farm Services Administrator), Dallas May (May Ranch), Deirdre Macnab (4M Ranch) & Joaquin Murrieta-Saldivar (Watershed Management Group), moderated by Alli Vitello	Workplace Safety, Care, Transparency & Belonging Working Panel // Round Table moderated by Parker McMullen Bushman (Ecolnclusive), organized by Elyssa Kerr (Beavers Northwest), Anna Le (Graying Education) & Shelby Weigand (National Wildlife Federation) Transition (5 min) Communicating the Dynamism of Healthy Riverscapes - Sarah Koenigsberg (Utah State University)	Q & A // Respite Hall	
4:00pm - 4:15pm	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day + Video Screenings: When the Glacier Melts & When the Forest Burns by Tammy McClennan			
4:15pm - 4:40pm	How We Won: Lessons Learned & Replicable Strategies for Changing Beaver Restoration Policies & Practices - Brock Dolman & Kate Lundquist (Occidental Arts & Ecology Center)	Ancient Sedimentary DNA Shows 5000 Years of Continuous Beaver Occupancy in Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming - Nevé Baker (University of Minnesota)	Workplace Safety, Care, Transparency & Belonging Follow-up Work Session	
4:40pm - 4:45pm	Transition			
4:45pm - 5:25pm	The Ksik Stakii Management Plan - Jim Voile & Alicia Yellow Owl (Blackfeet Nation)	Poster Session Meet & Greet: Clifford Adamchak, Alyssa Baldwin, Matt Bitters, Claire Ellerbrook, Victoria Fischella Keith Guenther, Mason Jacobson, Kelley Jorgensen, Elyssa Kerr, Alexis M. Mychajiw, PhD, Marin Oschmann, Dr. Stacie Robinson, Dr. Joel Shaltes, Rebekah Stiling + Jennifer Vanderhoof		
5:25pm - 5:30pm	Daily Wrap-Up	Daily Wrap-Up	Daily Wrap-Up	
6:30pm - 8:30pm	National Beaver Working Group Social Gathering @ Rayback Collective // 2775 Valmont Road, Boulder, CO 80304 - Refreshments provided, food trucks available			
4:15pm - 5:30pm	Dance Cycles with the Land: Cami' Leonard & Lisa Nevada Meet in Conference Lobby			

Tuesday, October 22

	Main Ballroom	West Ballroom	Aspen Room	Museum of Natural History
9:00am - 9:25am	Landscape Restoration Gaps - Janine Castro (Portland State University)	Poster Session Meet & Greet: Clifford Adamchak, Alyssa Baldwin, Matt Bitters, Claire Ellerbrook, Victoria Fischella Keith Guenther, Mason Jacobson, Kelley Jorgensen, Elyssa Kerr, Alexis M. Mychajliw, PhD, Marin Oschmann, Dr. Stacie Robinson, Dr. Joel Shaltes, Rebekah Stiling + Jennifer Vanderhoof		
9:25am - 9:30am	Transition			
9:30am - 10:25am	Revitalizing Riverscapes with Beavers: Partnership, Compromise or Power Struggle? - Moderated by Dr. Emily Fairfax (University of Minnesota) & Dr. Chris Jordan (NOAA/NMFS/Northwest Fisheries Science Center) with Dr. Jordan Kennedy (Outer Coast - Sitka, Alaska), Elyssa Kerr (Beavers Northwest), Alden Shallcross (Aquatic Restoration, Bureau of Land Management) & Amy McNamara (Natural Resources Defense Council)	Remarkable Journeys with Beaver: "From CEO to Beaver Believer" - Scott McGill (Beaver Institute) + "Beaver Rehabilitation: A Unique Perspective" - John Aberth (Protect Our Wildlife) + "Beaver Advocacy, Art & Collaboration in Wyoming" - Joanna Harter (Wyoming Game & Fish) + "How Beavers Took Over My Life, and My Social Media Page" - Alexis Broz (Wildlife Alexis)	Q & A // Respite Hall	
10:25am - 10:40am	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day			
10:40am - 11:05am	Youth Voices: Beavers as a Climate Solution & Local Climate Action, Part 1 - High School Students, Tiffany Boyd (Classrooms 4 Climate Action & Alison Zak (Human-Beaver Coexistence Fund)	New Mexico Beavers & Fireflies - Peggy Darr (Defenders of Wildlife)	Youth Respite Hall	
11:05am - 11:10am	Transition			
11:10am - 11:35am	Working with Our National Animal in Alberta, Canada - Holly Kinas (Mistakis Institute), Kerri O'Shaughnessy (Cows & Fish - Riparian Management Society) & Alvin First Rider (Blood Tribe Land Management)	Beavers in Britain 25 Years On - Dr. Roisin Campbell-Palmer (Beaver Trust) & Derek Gow (author & reintroduction expert) Beavers in Wales: Where Are We Now? - Alicia Leow-Dyke (Wildlife Trusts Wales)	Youth Voices: Beavers as a Climate Solution & Local Climate Action, Part 2 - Local 3rd Graders, Tiffany Boyd (Classrooms 4 Climate Action & Alison Zak (Human-Beaver Coexistence Fund)	10:40am - 11:55am Dance Cycles with the Land: Cami Leonard & Lisa Nevada Meet in Conference Lobby
11:35am - 11:40am	Transition			
11:40am - 12:05pm	Forming People & Place-Based Connections Through Implementing LTPBR Projects within the Northern Great Plains - Maizie Smith (Montana Conservation Corps)	Building Like a Beaver - Dr. Jordan Kennedy (Outer Coast College)	Youth Respite Hall	
12:05pm - 1:30pm	LUNCH ON OWN // Sponsor + Presenter Meet & Greet (Invite Only)		Youth Lunch Hall	
1:30pm - 1:55pm	Developing High Resolution, Multi-year Wetland & Beaver Pond Maps for Colorado & the West Using Machine Learning Techniques - Sarah Marshall (Colorado Natural Heritage Program)	Between Two Worlds: Relational Conservation and Restoring Relations - Cristina Marmoruni (INDIGENOUS LED), a presentation and open forum discussion		
1:55pm - 2:00pm	Transition			
2:00pm - 2:55pm	Beaver Restoration is Restoring Beavers: Panel Discussion - Mark Beardsley & Jessica Doran (EcoMetrics), Sarah Marshall (Colorado Natural Heritage Program), Torrey Ritter (Montana Fish & Wildlife) & Alexa Whipple (Methow-Okanogan Beaver Project)	Transition 2:25pm - 2:30pm Coexisting with Beavers on College & University Campuses: Building a Community Response - Jonah Docter-Loeb (Carleton College & Northfield Beaver Brigade), Nancy Braker (Carleton Arboretum), Andrea Knutson (Oakland University), Caitlin McWilliams (Carleton student + Northfield Beaver Brigade) & Dr. Alexis Mychajliw (Middlebury College)	BeaverCorps Tabling	
3:00pm - 3:15pm	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day + Video Screening: Shaping the Salish Sea: Beavers and Salmon by Michael Melton			
3:15pm - 4:10pm	Beaver Relocation & Translocation Presentations & Panel Discussion - Presentations by Molly Alves (California Department of Fish & Wildlife), Dr. Roisin Campbell-Palmer (Beaver Trust), Sarah Milligan (Bandelier National Monument) & Gerhard Schwab (Bund Naturschutzzin Bayern) with discussion from Nate Norman (USU Beaver Ecology and Relocations Center), Jason Remshardt & Rosalee Reese (Rio Grande National Forest) & Connor Born (Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project), moderated by Preston Brown (Boulder Watershed Collective)	Beavers in the Southeast: 3 Stories of How Beavers Are Impacting Water Quality - Dr. Sandra Clinton + Elizabeth Chapplear, Emma Lacy & Royney Maxwell (University of North Carolina - Charlotte) East Coast Case Studies: Designing, Building & Maintaining Stream Restoration Projects to Support Beavers - Sally Albright (Anne Arundel County, MD) and Sarah Koser (Maryland Stream Restoration Association / Anne Arundel County, MD)	Flow Device Technical Session - John Egon + Michael Callahan (Beaver Solutions / Beaver Institute)	
4:10pm - 4:15pm	Transition			
4:15pm - 4:40pm			A Systematic Review: Beaver Habitat Positively Influences the Majority of Oregon Conservation Strategy Priority Species - Dr. Maureen Thompson (Think Wild / Beaver Works Oregon)	
4:40pm - 4:55pm	Transition			
4:45pm - 5:30pm	Beavers on the Hill: Opportunities to Scale Beaver-Assisted Restoration & Co-Existence Through Federal Policy - Alex Funk (Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership), Alicia Morris (National Wildlife Federation), Erica Gandolfo (Animal Welfare Institute), Melissa Dickard (Bureau of Land Management), Hilary Henry (Regional Representative for Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO)) & Allison Ludtke (Animal Legal Defense Fund)	Holistic Beaver Management: A Panel Discussion - Bianca Martinez (Hunters of Color), Elizabeth Miller (APHIS Wildlife Services), Nick Hagan (BeaverCorps / Montana Trappers Association), Michael Callahan (Beaver Solutions), and Shaun Ketchum (Ute Mountain Ute), moderated by Adam Burnett (Beaver Institute)	Workshop: The Beaver Futures Framework: A Broader Look At Beavers - Britt Van Zelst (Wageningen University & Research / Netherlands Institute of Ecology)	
5:30pm - 5:35pm	Daily Wrap-Up	Daily Wrap-Up	Daily Wrap-Up	
7:30 PM	Creative Nations & Beaver Institute present BEAVER STORYTELLING CIRCLE @ Dairy Arts Center // 2590 Walnut Street, Boulder, CO 80302			

Wednesday, October 23				
	Main Ballroom	West Ballroom	Aspen Room	Museum of Natural History
9:00am - 9:25am	Governor of Colorado Jared Polis Address			
9:25am - 9:30am	Transition			
9:30am - 9:55am	Rebalancing Connectivity in the Riverscape: to the Beaverscape & Beyond! - Dr. Colin Thorne (University of Nottingham)	Poster Session Meet & Greet: Clifford Adamchak, Alyssa Baldwin, Matt Bitters, Claire Ellerbrook, Victoria Fischella Keith Guenther, Mason Jacobson, Kelley Jorgensen, Elyssa Kerr, Alexis M. Mychajliw, PhD, Marin Oschmann, Dr. Stacie Robinson, Dr. Joel Shaltes, Rebekah Stiling + Jennifer Vanderhoof	From Pelt to Pest to Protected - Therese-Marie O'Sullivan (Colorado Water Garden Society)	
9:55am - 10:10am	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day			
10:10am - 11:40am	LTPBR Partnerships, Collaborations, Communication & Volunteers, Lessons Learned, How To Get Projects on the Ground - Peter Suneson (Eagle County) + David Fulton-Beale (Wildlands Restoration Volunteers) + Karen Menetrey (Rio Grande Return) + Rosalee Reese (U.S. Forest Service - Rio Grande National Forest), Connor Born (Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project) + Jason Remshardt (Rio Grande National Forest) + Rose Smith + Jens Ammon (Sageland Collaborative) + Matt Guziejka (Portland State University), moderated by Jackie Corday	The State of the Beaver Union: Updates on Advocacy, Policy, & Research from across North America: Rachel Siegel (Beaver Illinois Alliance) + Robert Boucher (Superior BioConservancy, Wisconsin) & Clayton Frazer (Native Range, Wisconsin) + Elissa Chott & Shelby Weigand (National Wildlife Federation, Montana) + Jean-Paul Zagorala (Bonneville Environmental Foundation, Oregon) + Catlow Shipke (Watershed Management, Arizona) + Chris Smith (WildEarth Guardians, New Mexico) + Jen Vanderhoof (King County, Washington), moderated by Ashley Hom and Alli Vitello	Beavers & Community: A Collective Approach to Beaver Coexistence - Madison Newton, April Rhodes & Ariana Wrinkler (Beavers Northwest) Transition 10:40am - 10:45am Enhancing Riparian Habitat: STEM Launch's Efforts in Coexistence with Niver Creek Beavers -STEM Launch 8th Graders & Felicia Evans (Adams 12 - Five Star Schools) Transition 11:10am - 11:15am Beaver StoryMapping Supports Student Learning & Science Communication - Middlebury College Students Lucy Day, Samuel Medina, Kendall Schilling, Haydn Suske-Funk & Helen Vaughan with Dr. Alexis Mychajliw (Middlebury College) 25	10:10am - 11:25am Dance Cycles with the Land: Cami Leonard & Lisa Nevada Meet in Conference Lobby
11:40am - 12:10pm		The State of the Beaver Union: Updates on Advocacy, Policy, & Research from across North America: 30-minute Open Floor for Municipality, Community, Tribal, State, Province, & Regional Updates	Transition 11:40am - 11:45am Integration of Beaver Habitat Preservation & Restoration Into Watershed Scale Remediation of Abandoned Mine Lands of the Intermountain West - Dr. Rory Cowie (Alpine Water Resources)	
12:10pm - 1:30pm	PROVIDED LUNCH			
1:30pm - 1:55pm	"Beavers in Paradise" Screening + It Takes a Village to Reintroduce Beavers Into Urban London - Nadya Mirochnitchenko, Dr. Sean McCormack & Matt Brierley (Ealing Beaver Project, Ealing Wildlife Group)	Beaver Colonization of the Arctic - Dr. Ken Tape & Sebastian Zavoico (University of Alaska - Fairbanks)	Q & A // Respite Hall	
1:55pm - 2:00pm		Transition		
2:00pm - 2:20pm		Rewilding the Riparian West: Spatial & Temporal Responses of River Corridors to Beaver Restoration - Dr. Emily Iskin (Boise State University)		
2:20pm - 2:35pm	15 MINUTE BREAK: Coffee, Tea & Snacks available all day			
2:35pm - 4:00pm	Lessons Learned in Planning for BDAs & Beaver Needs - Lori Brown (The Nature Conservancy), Allen Dysart (Wolf Water Resources), Samantha Bango & Alex Walt (Anobranch Solutions), and Fred Phillips (Fred Phillips Consulting)	Dam Good Neighbors: Fostering Social Harmony with Beavers - Suzanne Teller (Luckiamute Watershed Council), Holly Purpura (Marys River Watershed Council) & Shannon Richardson (South Santiam Watershed Council) Transition: 3:45pm - 4:00pm	Beaver Policy Working Session: Power Mapping for Effective Advocacy and Policy Change facilitated by the National Beaver Policy & Management Working Group (Alexa Whipple & Rob Walton)	
4:00pm - 4:05pm	Transition			
4:05pm - 4:30pm	CLOSING CEREMONY + Community Reflections: What Have We Done Together? Where Do We Go From Here? Facilitated by Beaver Institute Team (Adam Burnett, Avery Sassman, Aaron Hall, Loren Taylor & Mike Callahan)			
Thursday, October 24				
8am-3pm	WETLAND FIELD TRIP - Separate signup required, lunch provided			
9am - 12pm	Beaver Coexistence Workshop with Mike Callahan @ HILTON GARDEN INN // 2701 Canyon Boulevard, Boulder, CO 80302 - Separate signup required			