

Western Stewardship Summit

REQUEST FOR POSTERS

Abstracts due Monday, September 15
Invited Posters due Friday, September 19

The Western Stewardship Summit will include a three day poster session intended to increase learning and foster practitioner connections beyond the formal conference sessions. Posters are graphic presentations by an individual, organization or partnership that directly relate to the sessions included on the Summit Agenda. Posters are requested from registered Summit participants only.

A reception featuring the Poster Session will be held at the conference opening Wednesday, September 24, at 5:00 pm. Presenters are encouraged to tend their poster during this session, as well as the “Networking Sessions” that will take place during extended breaks in the conference.

Open period for receiving abstracts: August 22 to September 15, 2008

Deadline for receiving accepted and completed posters: Friday, September 19.

Purpose:

The number of presenters in the Summit Agenda is necessarily limited. However, many groups and individuals have relevant, practice-based information that could have easily been included in Summit sessions. The Poster Session is envisioned to be an effective forum for the exchange of information, techniques, and lessons learned beyond the formal sessions, and to facilitate connections between participants, both before and at Summit. Posters will also be included in the Summit Web Library.

Criteria:

Poster content must relate to the particular knowledge or practice areas featured in the Summit Agenda. The Summit Agenda is roughly structured around the general topics of Land, Community and Economy, focusing on examples and practice where all three are integrated in service of positive outcomes for the environment and rural communities. Posters should explicitly advance the following Summit goals:

- Strengthen the network of people working on collaborative restoration across various sectors and issue areas;
- Identify political, financial, and technical approaches that can increase support for and investment in place-based restoration and stewardship;
- Document the priority tools, techniques, and other lessons presented and disseminate those findings to attendees and other practitioners who could not attend the Summit;

The poster content should be material that would easily have been considered for inclusion in one of the Summit concurrent sessions. Posters are not the appropriate forum for simple organizational announcements or advertisements – you may feature your organization, but the poster should offer information to advance practitioner skills or knowledge for successful restoration and stewardship.

Guidelines for Submitting a Poster:

Poster abstracts should be sent to Liz Rank for approval for inclusion in the Poster Session and/or Web Library **by Monday, September 15**. Please email or fax the attached form: (lrank@tnc.org / Fax: Attn. Liz Rank 801-320-0525).

You will be notified of selection for Poster Session and/or Web Library on a rolling basis. Depending on response and space limitations, we may have to limit the number of posters presented during the conference. Posters not included in the Poster Session at the Summit may be accepted for the Summit Web Library. Poster abstracts will be posted on the Summit website beginning on **September 8**.

We encourage final posters to also be submitted as a single PowerPoint slide or PDF document for inclusion in the WSS Web Library. Electronic copies should be e-mailed to Liz Rank (lrank@tnc.org) by **Friday, September 19**.

Poster session presenters must bring or ship their own poster to the Summit. See Submission form for shipping details.

Poster Formatting Guidelines:

- Posters may be no larger than 4' H x 4' W.
- Posters will be propped on easels or chairs along the walls of our networking rooms so you should bring your poster mounted on foam core or other appropriate backing.
- Posters should include the title of the presentation and the list of authors with contact information.
- Keep in mind that most viewers will be approximately 3-5 feet away from posters. Therefore, it is suggested that a font no smaller than 16 pt. be used and that the font be simple and bold.
- DO NOT mount the text of a paper as the poster. Instead, consider having copies of the paper available for viewers to take.
- It is advisable to bring copies of the poster (PowerPoint slide or PDF document) on standard letter sized paper for handing out during the event.
- No audiovisual equipment is permitted for poster presentations.

No posters will be accepted from persons not registered and not attending the Summit. You must bring your poster and be present.

To submit abstracts and posters, please email or fax Liz Rank (lrank@tnc.org / Fax: Attn. Liz Rank 801-320-0525).

For questions related to the poster session – but NOT to submit posters or abstracts – please contact Lynn Decker (ldecker@tnc.org / 801-320-0524).

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Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Mailing address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

Names of colleagues or organizations presenting on poster:

Poster title: _____

Abstract: Please provide a 3-5 sentence abstract of your poster. If selected for inclusion in the Poster Session or Web Library, the abstract will be available online and will also appear in the printed conference agenda.

Terms:

Proposed posters will be evaluated by the Western Stewardship Planning Committee for consistency with Summit goals, objectives and topics of the conference, as well as prioritizing for limited display space. The Planning Committee will prioritize which posters are displayed during the conference, and which may be viewed on the Summit Web Library.

*****Applicants will be notified of decisions on a rolling basis through September 15.**

Requirements:

- ✓ Size limit is 4' x 4'
- ✓ Posters must be mounted (on foam core, etc.) so as to be able to be propped on an easel.
- ✓ No audio visual materials will be available.

Full Poster Description:

Please provide a 3-5 sentence description of how the proposed poster is consistent with and can add value to the content of the Western Stewardship Summit. What knowledge, lesson, or experience will be conveyed that will help advance the practice of restoration and natural resource stewardship? What will be featured on your poster? Your description will help the Planning Committee evaluate entries and prioritize posters for inclusion in the Poster Session and/or Web Library.

Shipping:

Will you be shipping your materials (see shipping details below)? YES NO

The Resort can receive limited shipments (**UPS or Fed Ex**) **no more than three days prior** to the Summit. Due to the high volume of guests that receive packages, it is very important to label all shipments properly. Shipments not labeled correctly may be refused or returned by the shipping company. Sunriver Resort does not take responsibility for returned/refused items.

Please label your package with the following information:

Great Hall Complex/ Sunriver Resort
57081 Meadow Road
Sunriver, Oregon 97707

Conference Name: Western Stewardship Summit
Hold for: *(Your Name)*
Box # of #

Questions?

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Please send this form to:

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