2024 COSA Session Proposal Application

Thank you for your interest in submitting a session proposal to the Colorado Open Space Alliance (COSA). The 2024 conference theme is "Grounded in Community" and will take place from Monday, September 30- Wednesday, October 2 in Grand Junction.

2024 Session Topics:

We are seeking 75 minute session topics as they relate to land acquisition, outdoor accessibility, the future of open space, climate change, natural resources management/stewardship, forest health/wildfire mitigation, nature and public health benefits/wellness, partnerships/grants, public outreach and communications, environmental education, ranger roles and responsibilities, recreation management and visitor management.

Proposals are due by 5 pm on Wednesday, May 15, 2024. Please fill out the form completely as all questions are required.

2024 Session Proposal Tips:

- Session proposals with multiple agency/org partners are highly encouraged. We are looking for multifaceted discussions from different vantage points.

- To provide a low-cost conference for all attendees, COSA does not waive fees for presenters. If you are planning to include guest speakers from outside organizations, especially non-profit or community-based organizations, please consider covering their conference registration fees.

- Understand that all your speakers are giving a live presentation. Make certain your speakers can convey the information without reading from presentation slides.

As a reminder, session presenters are not automatically registered for the conference. All presenters must register for the 2024 conference separately when registration opens. Conference fees are NOT waived for presenters.

* Indicates required question

Session Coordinator

1. First Name *

2.   Last Name *

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3.   Title *

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4.   Organization *

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5.   Phone Number *

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   Session Proposal

6.   Primary Focus Area *

Select the theme that **best** fits your session. If multiple apply, please choose the most applicable.

Mark only one oval.

( ) Land Acquisition

( ) Outdoor Accessibility

( ) Future of Open Space

( ) Climate Change

( ) Natural Resource Management/Stewardship

( ) Forest Health/Wildfire Mitigation

( ) Nature & Public Health Benefits/Wellness

( ) Partnerships/Grants

( ) Public Outreach & Communications

( ) Environmental Education

( ) Ranger Roles & Responsibilities

( ) Recreation Management

( ) Visitor Management/Human Dimensions

( ) Other: _____

7.   Session Title *

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8. Session Description *

    Provide a clear, concise description in a single paragraph. This description will be used on the registration and conference App.

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9. Presentation Outline with Time Allocations *

    Provide an outline of your presentation including approximate time allocations for each major section

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10. Audience Engagement and Learning Outcomes *

    Explain how the audience will be engaged and provide two or three observable and measurable learning outcomes.

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11. Has this session been presented by the speaker(s) before? *

Mark only one oval.

◯ Yes

◯ No

12. If you answered yes to the above question, where and when has this been presented?

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13. Number of presenters *

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14. What other agencies will be involved? *

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15. Availability *

Please indicate what days you and the other presenters will be available at COSA 2023. If you plan t
be at the whole conference, select all of the days listed below.

Check all that apply.

☐ Monday, September 30

☐ Tuesday, October 1

☐ Wednesday, October 2

Final Reminders

- COSA will be in touch by Friday, June 14 with a final decision about your session.
- COSA will only communicate with session coordinators. Coordinators are expected to organize and communicate with all additional presenters.

16. **Please acknowledge the following statements.** *

Check all that apply.

☐ If my session is selected for the conference, I will submit bios and headshots for every presente in my group.

☐ I understand that I am responsible for communicating with my team all information, changes o updates along the way.

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