

ECOLOGISTICS

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Hello, and Welcome to the Deep Ecology Collaboratory!

This gathering offers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet and collaborate with top leaders in the environmental movement and provides a chance for community activists, state and local officials, students, and anyone seeking to empower themselves to find new ways to take action to heal the planet, have fun, and make some new friends.

The work we will be doing requires everyone's knowledge, talent, and passion.

Program Schedule, Transportation Information, Directions and Maps, Site Map

The Collaboratory program schedule will be on display at the venue and is available on the Collaboratory website on the program page. Transportation information, directions and maps, and a Rancho El Chorro site map are available on the logistics webpage. We also attached these items to the e-mail you received with this welcome letter.

Weather and Outdoor Activities

San Luis Obispo is known for its sunny and temperate climate; however, the weather can be quite changeable. During October, the average daily temperature is about 75° but it can get up to 100° or down to 50°. The nighttime average temperature is about 55° but it can be warmer or cooler. We have not had any rain for a while, but rain is not out of the question.

Most of the presentations and all meals will be held indoors. We are planning to have Dave Foreman's fireside chat and the concert in the outdoor amphitheater, which is equipped with wooden benches. Participants may bring lawn chairs and / or blankets. The Pennington Creek nature walk is, of course, an outside activity. Please wear hiking boots or sturdy shoes for the nature walk.

We suggest wearing layered clothing so you will be comfortable in both hot and cold weather, inside or out.

No Pets

Rancho El Chorro has a strict no pet policy. If you plan to bring a service animal, please contact us ahead of time so we can obtain approval on your behalf.

Collaboratory Badges

Please pick up your badge at the registration table when you arrive at Rancho El Chorro. Your badge is your pass to the Collaboratory so make sure you hold on to it and bring it with you each day. If you lose your badge, there is a \$10 replacement fee.

Meals

We will be serving meals (including beverages) in the onsite dining commons during the Collaboratory. Linnaea's Cafe will be preparing delicious omnivore, vegetarian, and vegan menu options. Meals are dependent on the day passes you selected during registration.

- Friday – Dinner
- Saturday – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- Sunday – Breakfast, Lunch

Refillable Water Bottle

Please bring your own refillable water bottle. We will not be serving or selling bottled water.

Onsite Cabins and Tent Camping

For those of you who selected an onsite cabin or opted to bring a tent, we will be directing you to a cabin or an area where you can pitch your tent.

- Each cabin has four bunk beds with mattresses. You are responsible for bringing your own sleeping bag and pillow. Cabins do not have restrooms.
- There are no designated camping areas on the site, but there are flat areas appropriate for tents.
- The centralized restrooms and showers are near the cabins. Please bring your own towels and toiletries. You may find a flashlight handy.
- Note: the auditorium has restrooms for use during the day.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

The cancellation and refund period is closed. Please contact us if you cannot attend and wish to transfer or donate your ticket to another person.

Topic Leader / Presenter Changes

Although all Collaboratory topic leaders and presenters are confirmed at this time, the program is subject to change without notice. We will not issue refunds due to program changes.

Questions

We are excited about this year's Collaboratory and hope you are too! If you have any questions, please e-mail us at info@ecologistics.org or call us at (805) 548-0597.

See you soon.