

Western Snow Conference



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Please join us April 15-18, 2013 for the 81st annual Western Snow Conference in Jackson, Wyoming. The theme for this year's conference is "Wild Weather in the Wild West".

You are invited to submit an abstract of 150-300 words by January 15, 2013. Submit abstracts to Brandon Moore at brandon.moore@vandals.uidaho.edu. Please indicate either "oral" or "poster" with your submission, and lead author's name, address, phone, and email. Some topics to consider for submission of papers: Climate Variability, Climate Change Impacts on Snow and Runoff, Water Management, Water Supply Forecasting, Modeling and Climatology of Snow.

The North Continental Committee has been busy compiling a full agenda and praying for snow. A Short Course and panel discussion titled "New Strategies and Techniques in Long Range Streamflow Forecasting" is scheduled for Monday morning April 15th. Many agencies and individuals use long range streamflow forecasts for hydropower planning. marketing, reservoir operations, or crop planning. This forum will provide a discussion on the current state of long range streamflow forecasts used by different entities, recent advancement of new techniques for producing these forecasts, forecast accuracy and more. Additional information will be posted on the WSC web page.

A Technical Tour is scheduled for Thursday, April 18th to discover how the snowpack plays a critical role in the local environment. This will be an all day bus trip and a great opportunity to view the majestic landscape that so many have been studying.

The conference is April 15-18 at the Snow King Resort, Jackson Hole, Wyoming. For accommodation information, please visit http://www.snowking.com. Hotel rooms are \$85 per night while reduced conference rates are also available for studio and 1, 2 or 3 bedroom condos. These rates are valid three days before and after the conference to allow you to extend your stay in the Jackson area. The suggested cut-off date to make reservations is March 24, but the rates will be honored throughout the conference. The WSC Group Discount code is 2053 to reserve rooms at these links. Hotel

https://bookings.ihotelier.com/Snow-King-Resort-/bookings.isp?groupID=880482&hoteIID=77244 Condos

https://bookings.ihotelier.com/Snow-King-Grand-View-Lodge/bookings.jsp?groupID=880483&hotelID=77301

We hope to see you in Jackson for a lively western snow and water discussion. Check the WSC web page http://www.westernsnowconference.org/ for conference registration and the most current information, or contact the Chairs below for more information.

Please share this Call for Papers with other friends and colleagues that may be interested. Best regards for a good snow year.

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