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San Diego, CA

August 14th
San Diego Natural History Museum
&
San Diego Zoo

August 15thPartner-Led Field Trips

Sneak Peek Agenda





39X30 PARTNERSHIP 2025 SUMMIT

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Thursday, August 14th 9 am – 5 pm

8:00 AM Check-In at the San Diego Natural History Museum

 Come early to explore the museum while enjoying coffee and conversation! Light refreshments will be provided.

9:00 AM Opening Plenary

- Welcome
- Keynote Speaker
 - > Collin O'Mara, President and Chief Executive Officer, National Wildlife Federation
- Keynote Panel Many Paths to 30x30: Listening, Learning, and Leading Together
 - > Valérie Courtois, Executive Director of the Indigenous Leadership Initiative
 - > Exequiel Ezcurra, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Ecology, University of California, Riverside. Director, UC-MEXUS (UC Institute for Mexico & the United States)
 - > **Tom O'Shea**, Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game
- 30X30 Champion and Hidden Hero Awards

12:00 PM Lunch Provided – Explore the San Diego Natural History Museum and Balboa Park!

1:00 PM Different Paths, Shared Purpose: Concurrent Sessions #1

- Ahead of the Curve: The Power and Promise of Advance Mitigation
- From Protection to Perennial: Growing a Stewardship Movement
- All Hands on Deck: Charting Our Course Toward 30x30 in Coastal Waters
- Where Nature Works: Production and Biodiversity Together
- BiodiverCITY: Where Nature and Neighborhoods Thrive
- Nature's Pulse: Monitoring California's Living Landscapes with Sentinel Sites
- Finding Common Ground in an Uncharted Federal Landscape (this session will be live streamed)



2:30 PM Different Paths, Shared Purpose: Concurrent Sessions #2

- Surprising Co-Benefits: The Transformational Power of Integrating Social Justice and Conservation
- From Maps to Memes: Creative Tools to Build Power and Raise Awareness for 30x30
- How Unique Moments of Wow and Wonder Cultivate 30 X 30 Leaders: The Role of Museums, Zoos, and Aquariums
- Think Different: Expanding Views of Ecological Connectivity
- Wired for the Wild: Tech Tools for a Thriving Planet
- Advancing Tribal Stewardship Through Tribal Access, Collaboration, and Ancestral Land Return
- Metrics with Meaning: Assessing, Tracking, and Supporting 30x30
 Biodiversity Conservation (this session will be live streamed)

3:45 PM Closing Plenary Panel – From Nature's Notes to Human Hearts: Emotional Connection to the Environment

 Discover how music and performance can deepen our emotional bond with the natural world in this inspiring panel. Join artists and storytellers as they explore the powerful ways sound and movement connect us to the Earth and awaken our sense of wonder.

5:30 PM Reception at the San Diego Zoo

• Step into the wild for a fun reception at the zoo, where you can explore amazing wildlife habitats while the zoo is open and mingle with colleagues in a unique, lively setting. It's the perfect chance to connect, unwind, and share some unforgettable moments surrounded by nature and adventure! Explore the zoo starting at 5 pm, then gather for a reception at 5:30pm.

