

July 1, 2017

Welcome to Colorado and Colorado State University!

We are excited to welcome all of you to Ft. Collins, CO September 25-27, 2017; what a pleasure to be able to host WAAAE! We have planned a fairly busy schedule for the three days - but hope you will allow for some open time before and/or after for exploration of our great state.

Travel arrangements: Fly into Denver International Airport (DIA – Airport Code DEN). You will have a 75 mile commute to Ft. Collins (North on I-25). If you are not renting a car for this commute, we recommend that you take the Green Ride Shuttle Service: http://www.greenrideco.com/ It is \$36.00 each way, but can go directly to the Hilton.

Once you arrive, we will provide all transportation, or you can take the MAX (http://www.ridetransfort.com/max) from the hotel north to Old Town Fort Collins, or south to the Mall and other great restaurants.

Accommodations:

We have reserved a group rate for a limited number of rooms at the Hilton, Fort Collins. Room rates are \$129/room (either King or double). The rooms include complimentary wifi and a reduced parking rate of \$5.00/day. The specific conference hotel reservations can be make here: http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/F/FNLCOHF-AWW-20170924/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG - the deadline is September 1st. There are a limited number of rooms available at this rate.

We will be having breakfast and some meetings at the hotel and will be meeting at other locations throughout the conference on our campus.

If you are traveling, we have arranged for the room rate to be good 2 days prior and 2 days after our conference. If traveling in early and you would like to see a little more of Colorado – here are a few areas of exploration to consider:

Colorado Rockies are in town (Denver) against the Marlins September 25-27. See https://www.mlb.com/rockies/schedule/2017-09 for more information.

Head south to Colorado Springs to tour Garden of the Gods or Pikes Peak. See https://coloradosprings.gov/ppam for more information.

Head NW of Ft. Collins to visit Estes Park (https://www.colorado.gov/townofestespark) a great tourist town and gateway to the Rocky Mountain National Park (https://www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm).

As our conference nears we will provide a little more details – including a group hike if enough people are interested on Sunday afternoon.

Best wishes, happy planning and we will see you in the Rockies!

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