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The 1993 Conference on Communication and Our Environment

The second conference focusing on communication and the environment will be held July 23rd through 25th in the Yellowstone Conference Center adjacent to the Big Sky Resort south of Bozeman, Montana. The center is located at the head of a subalpine valley in the Spanish Peaks northwest of Yellowstone National Park. In such a beautiful setting, the conference promises scenic attractions in addition to an outstanding value.

Conference Format

Although the process for selecting papers is still underway, the conference format will be very similar to that of the 1991 Alta Conference on the Discourse of Environmental Advocacy. The conference will begin on Friday evening with dinner, followed by a keynote address or alternate presentation. Saturday and Sunday will be devoted to various thematic panels punctuated by meals, workshops,

discussions, and recreational time. Each panel will be limited to ninety-minutes in length, minimizing the number of overlapping presentations. The conference will conclude around 2:30pm on Sunday the 25th. In short, conference planners have attempted to maximize a variety of academic and aesthetic values while focusing on the study and practice of environmental communication.

Registration and Fees

Unlike the situation in 1991, outside funding has not been available, forcing us to rely on the goodwill or personal finances of various organizations and individuals. As a consequence, registration fees for **The Conference on Communication and Our Environment** will reflect a greater emphasis upon meeting expenses. Nonetheless, based upon the advice of various interested parties, we have arrived at a tiered scale for registration fees that will accommodate all participants including students. Graduate and undergraduate students are being asked to pay \$20.00 while all other participants are

being asked to remit \$60.00. The registration fee will be used to help offset the overhead associated with the use of the facility, cost of producing the conference program (which will include an abstract of each paper being presented), and production of conference proceedings to be sent subsequently to each registrant. We are asking that individuals submit their registration fee along with the enclosed registration form by **May 15, 1993** (please make checks or money-orders payable to: **The Conference on Communication and Our Environment**). Fees may also be paid at the conference though **you must send in the registration form by the deadline to secure space at the conference and to receive further updates**. Feel free to copy the registration form and distribute it to other interested parties.

Food and Lodging

A conference package is available that includes two nights lodging in Huntley Lodge at Big Sky, and six exquisite meals. Based upon double occupancy (two persons sharing a room with two double-beds), each individual would pay \$172.05 for the weekend (tax and gratuity included). Those desiring a single room would pay \$237.49. Children under ten may stay for free if accompanied by an adult though you will have to purchase a meal package (\$85.15) to obtain these rates. Those who wish to arrive earlier than the 23rd or stay beyond the night of the 24th may rent rooms for these same rates, yet must purchase additional meals separately.

Several other options are available for conference participants. Condominiums, sleeping four to ten people, are available in a variety of price ranges (\$82 to \$424 per night). Larger rooms within Huntley Lodge are available also. For those who wish to camp, the National Forest Campground is located fifteen miles away along the Gallatin River. Individual meal packages are available to those who wish to stay in the alternate accommodations (\$85.15).

Regardless of the option you choose, send the enclosed housing form and a deposit equal to one night's stay and 3 meals to :

**Big Sky Ski & Summer Resort
PO Box 1
Big Sky, MT 59716**

The form must be received by **May 15, 1993**. You may reserve your place with a major credit card by calling (800) 824-7767. After this date, rooms can be secured only on a "as available" basis. **Please be sure to indicate your lodging and meal preference on the conference registration form.**

Transportation

The Big Sky Resort and Yellowstone Conference Center Complex is located roughly fifty miles south of Interstate 90 off Highway 191. The nearest airport is in Bozeman and a shuttle service is available for \$12.00. If you wish to use the shuttle service, you must alert the Big Sky staff at the time of registration. The Bozeman terminal is serviced by Delta and Northwest Airlines, both who have agreed to a conference discount. For Delta, those

attending the conference will receive 5% off regular super-saver fares by booking their flight at least sixty days in advance and staying over Saturday night. Individuals over 62 years of age, not wishing to stay over Saturday night, or purchasing tickets less than one month in advance will receive a 10% discount on regular coach fares. Flight reservations must be made directly with Delta airlines (1-800-241-6760) and **you must refer to File Number XF0011** when booking your flight.

Those wishing to fly with Northwest will receive a 5% discount on the lowest published fares (12% on one-way tickets) and a variety of flights are available. When reserving a seat with Northwest, **you must refer to File Number NC56U**.

Because of the popularity of the Yellowstone region, it is suggested that you book a seat **as soon as possible** in order to obtain the most flexibility.

Special Assistance

Should any problems, questions, or special requirements arise, you may contact Jim Cantrill at (906) 227-2061. Jim will do what he can to assist.

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Submissions

If you would like to submit a book review or article for the pre-conference issue, the deadline is June 12, 1993. Ecologue also welcomes conference notices, calls for papers, or any other type of relevant announcement. Please send all submissions to the above address.

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