

March 20, 2019

Hello Everyone,

It's getting close to time for the beaver translocation workshop! I'm glad you all have signed up and look forward to a fun and educational time. This group has such a wealth of knowledge, it's going to be a great three days. I'm sure we will all have the opportunity to learn a lot from each other.

I just wanted to remind you that this is a hands on field course. Come prepared to be outside all day every day. For those of you who are not from this area, we have had a good ski year—meaning that we still have a lot of snow around. Because of this, some of our trapping and releasing areas are going to be difficult or impossible to access. That said, we have been working hard on finding options that will meet our needs but be prepared to get a bit muddy and probably a little trudging through the snow. On top of ordinary field equipment like field clothes and sunscreen, please bring waders and rubber boots if you have them. We will have some to lend people but having the correct size can always be an issue. Breakfast snacks, lunch, and dinner on the second day will be provided so please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions.

Hope you all have a great week and travel safely. We'll see ya next week!

The Instructional Team

2019 Beaver Translocation Workshop Agenda – Logan, Utah

DAY 1 REDUCING IMPACTS AND TRAPPING

- 7:00-8:00 am *If needed before class, check preset traps. If we have beaver, move them to holding facility.*
- 9:00-10:00 MEET at [Fluvial Habitat Center](#). Introductions and coffee/bagels (Nate, Nick & Torre)
- 10:00 10:30 Visit [Walmart parking lot](#) beaver management project site, discussion on beaver deceivers and Beaver Management plans (Nick/Wally?).
- 10:30-11:30 Visit areas in Providence where beaver activity has been an issue and discuss options. Look for potential areas to install beaver deterrents, deceivers or set traps. (Torre, Nate and maintenance folks from Providence City).
- 11:30-12:30 pm Practice setting traps at park
- 12:30-1:00 Lunch at [Von Baer Park](#) in Providence, UT
- 1:00-2:00 Place traps in Providence
- 2:00-5:00 Place traps at [Benson](#)
- 7:00 Screening of [The Beaver Believers](#), Eccles Science Learning Center Auditorium, Utah State University Campus
- 9:00 pm Following the film, return to and set traps (Nate, Steve).

DAY 2 CARE AND RELOCATION

- 7:00-9:00 Meet at Providence (Nick & Torre) or Benson (Nate & Steve) check the traps.
- 9:00-12:30 Trip to the [Coyote Research Center](#) (Millville Predator Research Facility) and the temporary beaver facility. Discuss working up data, key points for beaver holding, and beaver care. Starting with Annette putting a beaver under general anesthesia (Annette,

Heather), then working up the rest of the beaver with a beaver bag. (Torre & Nate).

- 12:30-1:30 Tailgate Lunch at beaver facility
- 1:30 -2:30 Discuss: How to deal with accidental catches, moving the beaver, and transporting (Torre and Nate).
- 2:00-3:00 Discuss and practice determining where to release (Torre, Nate or Scott) Practice on Blacksmith Fork.
- 3:00-5:00 Set more traps if time allows
- 6:00-8:00 Informal Evening Social & Dinner and presentation by Mark McKinstry. Location will be announced.

Day 3 RESTORATION AND RELEASE

- 9:00-9:30 MEET at [Fluvial Habitat Center](#) (coffee and bagels). Travel to release site at *Threemile Creek*.
- 9:30-10:00 Discuss with land owner and Forest service, plan for riparian restoration (Nate, Ann and/or Paul, Reed York).
- 10:00- 12:00 Build up Beaver Dam Analogue structures, and release beaver
- 12:00-1:00 Tailgate Lunch and review of workshop
- 1:00 End of workshop