



In effort to minimize the environmental impact of our Summit, the Green Sports Alliance has worked closely with our partners, our production team and our vendors to design an environmentally responsible event. Following are some of the environmental considerations enacted for our summit.

VENUES

GERDING

- Certified by the US Green Building Council as exceeding the requirements for designation as LEED Platinum
- Rainwater harvesting and reuse in the building for non-potable uses results in significant potable water savings
- Energy-saving strategies in place, including displacement ventilation in the office, theater and lobby areas, the use of chilled beams for heating and for supplemental cooling, and skylights which allow for daylight penetration into office areas
- Highly-efficient lighting design
- Easily accessible via public transportation

WORLD TRADE CENTER

- Utilizes compostable serving ware
- Owned and operated by PGE, which uses green power
- PGE added electric charging stations to the public parking garage beneath the building
- Outdoor Plaza's landscaping features native plant species
- In-house catering sources local ingredients
- Easily accessible via public transportation
- Greendrop providing recycling and composting stations for the Summit
- Is mid-way through the process of switching all facility lighting to LED

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

- Food served is organic, local and seasonal produce, dairy, meats, grains and bread
- Food will be composted and food service items recycled by Artemis Foods
- Artemis Foods will donate any leftover food to a homeless shelter
- Minimal food packaging and compostable corn-based plastic containers
- Compostable and sustainable sugarcane paper goods
- Compostable potato and vegetable-based cutlery
- Compostable corn-based cold cups
- Artemis purchases carbon neutral Green Tags from Bonneville Environmental Foundation



EVENT MATERIALS

- Event signage and programs by Willamette Print & Blueprint, who use higher quality display products, made from post-consumer recycled materials, and printed with virtually no waste or harmful by-products. Enviro-Board is made locally and is made of 67 percent post consumer/post industrial recycled content
- Event promotion primarily via online methods – HTML email, newsletter promo and social media
- Registration utilizes a 100 percent paperless ticket system
- Ecobrander lanyards made from 100 percent recycled soda and water bottles
- Rebinder Badge Holders are compostable and made from corn-starch

HOTEL PARTNER

- Paperless guest check-in and check-out
- Key cards made from recycled corn products
- Environmentally safe, certified green cleaning products for guest rooms and public areas
- Low-flow toilets and shower heads
- Access to public transportation
- Implemented internal policy to turn off lighting and HVAC when guest rooms are not occupied
- Recycle programs for cardboard, paper, aluminum, plastic, toners and printing ink
- Purchases recycled paper and related products

EVENT OFFSETS

DONATED BY BONNEVILLE ENVIRONMENTAL FOUNDATION

- Verified Carbon Offsets have been donated to offset the carbon dioxide footprint associated with staff and attendee travel to and from the Summit
- Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) have been donated to ensure the energy used at the Summit comes from green energy sources, such as wind and solar
- Water Restoration Certificates™ have been donated equivalent to the amount of water used at the conference to ensure the volume of water consumed at the Summit is restored to critically dewatered streams