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**GP RED'S 5TH NATIONAL
TRANS-DISCIPLINARY
THINK TANK**

**DECEMBER 5TH -7TH, 2018
IRVINE, CALIFORNIA**

TRANSFORMATION TO ACTION: INSPIRING PROFESSIONALS WHO HELP COMMUNITIES THRIVE



A national gathering of Thought Leaders to discuss innovations, best practices, and collaboration among health, recreation, design, planning, education, research and land management professionals

Purpose: GP RED helps professionals who help communities thrive. There are gaps in trans-disciplinary knowledge sharing. Professionals in the fields of public parks and recreation, public health, transportation, academia, and professional design and planning can struggle to integrate their work due, in part, to lack of a common language. Emerging research, innovative technologies, and best practices are ever-evolving. GP RED aims to foster exchange and facilitate consensus by hosting multi-disciplinary conversations that matter. The purpose of the Think Tank is to improve multi-sector, knowledge transfer, connection, education, communication, and information sharing.

Participation is limited to 100 invited great minds from a variety of disciplines.

Format: The GP RED Think Tank is an invitational, interactive event. Each session consists of 30 minutes of thought leaders facilitating a presentation, 30 minute breakouts to discuss innovations & solutions on the topic, followed by 20 minutes of facilitated Q & A and discussion. Abstracts for each session will be created by invited Topic Expert Facilitators, and presentation materials will be provided electronically to all attendees.

Think Tank Investment: \$199 per person, includes indicated meals. Travel expenses additional.

To Apply: This is an invitation-based event, and we ask for your commitment to attend all sessions as they build upon each other. We anticipate that 1.05 CEUs will be available for those desiring them.

For consideration, please submit the following to teresap@gpred.org by June 30th, 2018. All attendees will be confirmed by July 15th. Follow up information for final registration and lodging information will be provided upon acceptance.

Please send by email:

- Contact info: Name, title, affiliations, address, email, phone, website (if applicable)
- One paragraph on: Why you would like to attend the GP RED Think Tank
- One paragraph on: The most important issues for discussion in your field now for this Think Tank (see themes in draft program for ideas)

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Preliminary Schedule

DAY/TIME	GP RED 5th NATIONAL THINK TANK	IRVINE, CA - 2018
Wednesday: 12/5	General Sessions	Second Breakout (when applicable)
2:00 – 4:30pm	<i>Welcome, Check In & Name Tags - Overall Theme Transformation to Action: Strategies for Community Implementation</i>	
2:00 – 4:30pm	<i>Optional Guided Hike - Quail Hill Center* - Darin Loughrey, Community Services Manager, City of Irvine</i>	
4:30 – 5:15pm	Welcome & Icebreaker Rob Layton, PhD, GP RED; Stephanie Stephens, CPRS, Maureen Dougherty, PhD	
5:15 – 5:30pm	<i>Non-Alcoholic refreshments & snacks</i>	
5:30 – 7:00pm	Intro to Topics/Schedule Preview, Think Tank Objectives: Maureen Dougherty, PhD, and Teresa Penbrooke, PhD, GP RED, GreenPlay, & NCSU	
7:00pm - ?	<i>Optional Networking: Local Restaurant/Bar Close proximity to recommended hotel(s)</i>	
Thursday 12/6		
8:00 – 8:30am	<i>Welcome and Light Breakfast – Quail Hill Center</i>	
8:30 – 10:00am	GENERAL SESSION 1: Diversity and Nature: The Intersection of Race/Ethnicity, Culture, Class <i>Topic Experts: Nina Roberts, PhD, San Francisco State University; Micky Fearn, Professor of Practice, Department of Parks, Recreation, & Tourism, North Carolina State University</i>	
10:00 – 10:15am	Break	
10:15 – Noon	Breakout 2.1: Entrepreneurial Solutions for Local Government Challenges - Technology & Collaboration - Entrepreneurial mindset - Working with schools/partners <i>Topic Experts: Leslie Fritz, CPRS; John Keisler, Long Beach, CA; Dr. Wade Martin, CSU Long Beach</i>	Breakout 2.2: Community and Economic Planning - Economic Contributions - Risk of Development - Importance of System-wide Master Planning <i>Topic Experts: Art Thatcher, GreenPlay; Brian Albright, San Diego County, CA</i>
Noon – 1:00pm	<i>Lunch Provided</i>	
1:00 – 2:30pm	Breakout 3.1: On the Fray – Managing Non-Sanctioned Behaviors - Homelessness - Injection Sites - HEP A Impacts <i>Topic Experts: Chris Dropinski and Brian Albright</i>	Breakout 3.2: Nature-Based Exposure through P&R - Effects of nature (flora/fauna/water) on stress - PA, cognitive function, recovery, etc. - Nature dosing and assessment <i>Topic Experts: Teresa Penbrooke, PhD, Sonja Wilhelm-Stanis, PhD, University of MO, and Viniece Jennings, PhD, NFS</i>
2:30 – 3:00pm	Drive to Orange County Great Park (10 minute commute)	<i>All of Thursday afternoon and evening sessions are at Orange County Great Park</i>
3:15 – 4:45pm	Breakout 4.1: Parks are Everywhere - Pop-up Parks - Underground Parks - Roof Top Parks - Vacant Lots and Parking Lots <i>Topic Experts: Robby Layton, PhD; John Nissel & Bill Tyler, Montgomery County, MD</i>	Breakout 4.2: Community Resilience Planning: - Prepare, Respond, and Recover from Natural Disasters - Operation Recreation Response - Partnering with FEMA and local authorities <i>Topic Experts: Linda Smith, Chapel Hill, NC; Andy Fox, North Carolina State University; Brad Barnes, Midlothian, TX</i>
4:45 – 5:45pm	<i>Break: Walk & Talk to Explore Great Park - Optional Guided Tour (City of Irvine Staff)</i>	
5:45 – 7:45pm	GENERAL SESSION 5: Dinner and Evening Program Keynote - Transform into Action: Up Level Your Energy to Continue the Good Work Lora Polowczuk, MPH, Chief Energy Officer at Courageous Path, and Operating Board Member, GP RED	
7:45pm - ?	<i>Optional Networking: Local Restaurant/Bar</i>	
Friday 12/7		
8:00am	Quail Hill Park - Optional Morning Walk	
8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Gather on Site; Light Breakfast</i>	
9:00 – 10:30am	Breakout 6.1: Handling Health Factors in Parks & Recreation - Latest on Modifiable Health Factors - Park Rx <i>Topic Experts: Teresa Penbrooke, PhD; John Henderson, JD, Executive Director, Park Rx America</i>	Breakout 6.2: Macro Trends - Changing Priorities - Handing the torch from Baby Boomers to Millennials - Innovations in Metrics – Balanced Scorecard <i>Topic Experts: Adam Coleman, USGreentech; Don Jones, PhD</i>
10:45 – Noon	GENERAL SESSION 7: Collaborations – Associations, Universities, and Agencies Working Together <i>Topic Experts: Teresa Penbrooke, PhD; Kevin Roth, PhD (NRPA), Stephanie Stephens (CPRS), Chuck Montrie (MRPA)</i>	
Noon – 1:00pm	Closing Lunch: Dissemination and Action – Where do we go from Here? - Articles and Think Tank summaries - Outcomes and Evaluations\Volunteers for dissemination <i>Kelly Bricker, PhD; Veda Ward, PhD; and Chris Cares</i>	 - <i>Becky Dunlap, CPRE - Videographer to help capture key elements from the Think Tank</i> - <i>A written summary for release</i> - <i>Upload of presentations to Slideshare for all participants</i>

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*The Quail Hill Center is a 10 minute car trip from Orange County Airport and has a variety of lodging options several miles from the hotel. Dining and shopping venues are also in plentiful supply at the nearby Irvine Spectrum.

We kindly thank the City of Irvine, CA for hosting us! Suggested hotels and additional details will be sent to confirmed participants.

Questions?: Contact Teresa Penbrooke, PhD, at 303-870-3884 or teresap@gpred.org