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Memorandum:

To: W-3186 members

From: Russ Ingham (Oregon State University)
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Re: Planning for annual meeting at Oregon State University, Nov. 1 and 2, 2017

As stated in the minutes from the 2016 annual meeting, the 2017 annual meeting will be held at Oregon State University (Russ Ingham and Inga Zasada serving as hosts) on Wednesday, November 1 (8 am to 5 pm) and Thursday, November 2 (8:00 am to Noon). At this time our meetings are planned to take place in room 2087 Cordley Hall (Department of Botany and Plant Pathology) on the Oregon State University campus. Please let Russ know if you are planning on attending the meeting and if you will be renting a car as that will help us with making appropriate arrangements for transportation during the meeting.

A block of rooms is now being held in reserve for us at the Hilton Garden Inn 2500 SW Western Blvd., Corvallis, OR 97333, 541-752-5000; www.corvallis.hgi.com. Check in is Tuesday, October 31st (check-in time of 3 pm) and check out is Thursday, November 2nd (check-out time noon). Our discounted room rate is \$124 per night (exclusive of tax) for a king bed. The block of rooms will be held for our group only until October 10, 2016. This discounted rate will be honored for two days prior and two days after the meeting dates for those who wish to come early or stay late to see a little more of Oregon while you are here. Please make your reservation ASAP especially if you are planning to stay an extra day or two. Our rate is guaranteed but availability beyond the meeting dates is not.

To make your reservation please call the Hilton Garden Inn at 541-752-5000 and reference our group name "W3186". Let me know if you have any problems.

In making flight arrangements to come to Corvallis you can fly into Portland International Airport (PDX) which is about 80 miles from Corvallis or into the Eugene Airport (EUG) which is about 40 miles from Corvallis. The Eugene airport is closer but is smaller, has fewer flight options, and is generally more expensive to fly in and out of than PDX.

Hut shuttle www.hutshuttle.com (541-926-2525) provides shuttle service to and from PDX to the Hilton Garden Inn every two hours. Omni Shuttle (1-800-741-5097) provides shuttle service from the Eugene airport to the Hilton.

For those of you that decide to rent a car at PDX, take I205 south (towards Salem) to I5 South past Salem and Albany. About 4 miles south of Albany, take the HWY 34 west exit to Corvallis. Once you cross the river into Corvallis you will be on Harrison Drive. Take a left on 4th St. and then take a right on Western Blvd. (just past Safeway). The Hilton Garden Inn will be on your left in about a mile, a little past 15th St.

If you are coming by car from the Eugene airport go north on HWY 99W through Junction City and Monroe into Corvallis. Make sure you take a left turn at the north end of Junction City to stay on 99W. Once in Corvallis you will go under the HWY 20 overpass. Just pass the overpass, turn left on Western Blvd. The Hilton Garden Inn will be on your left in about a mile, a little past 15th St.

Additional information will be forthcoming as our meeting gets closer, but please contact me with questions and also be sure to let us know if you are attending, and please do make those reservations! We look forward to seeing you.