

## **Information for Summer Courses and Workshops**

### **Rates for June and August 2017**

The Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory is the perfect place for you to hold your science education workshop, your field course or small meeting amongst researchers, naturalists, and educators. We have space in June and mainly August to host your small group of 6-30 people. You will be captivated to be hosting your group amidst our well-known research facility within the historic mining town of Gothic in the center of the Colorado Rocky Mountains. We have break-out rooms, high speed internet through much of the campus, a computer lab, laboratory space, a state of the art community center for dining and collaborating, and housing in small cabins available to complete your meeting needs.

Gothic is remote enough to get a back-country feel, but is also easily accessible to an airport and bus route 1 hour away. We are located 8 miles from the resort community of Crested Butte and 4 miles from Mt. Crested Butte. We are surrounded by miles of mountain biking and hiking trails, fly fishing streams and majestic mountains.

Meeting Space: In the Barclay building on campus we have 2 classrooms that can be set up with a projector and a screen. Classrooms seat ~30 (the maximum) in rows without tables, ~18 in rows with tables and ~12 in a horseshoe-shaped table facing a screen. The library in the Barclay building serves as another breakout room with projector and screen. It seats lecture style ~25 people and at tables facing a screen ~15 people. Ruby Lounge, a communal cabin, and Town Hall, a prominent historic building in Gothic, can also be set up as break-out rooms. They seat ~20 lecture-style and a mobile PowerPoint projector is available for use. Cost per meeting space is \$105/day. If your group rents two meeting spaces at the same time, the cost is \$185 for both spaces.

Additionally, the Community Center has a small conference room (429 sq ft) with a conference table that seats 18 comfortably. One table end is empty during presentations, so the room seats 17 around the table for presentations. The conference room has a wall mounted flat screen TV with Skype capability. A computer can be plugged into the flat screen for presentations. The cost is \$210/day.

Computer Laboratory: A computer laboratory with 14 spots may be set up for use with prior arrangements. This will cost a one-time fee of \$100 for set up plus \$105/day for use.

Research Project Description: An approved RMBL Project Plan will be required for class research projects in and around Gothic. The RMBL Science Director, Dr. Jennie Reithel (contact: sd@rmbll.org) will assist with this application process. Standard application fees apply including charges associated with late submissions of an application. Any use of RMBL or USFS property, other than trails, parking, and housing will need to be described in the plan and approved by RMBL. RMBL does not guarantee that any particular use will be approved.

If RMBL assistance is requested in developing programs, including identifying and/or contacting potential scientists, there will be a charge of \$50/hour after the first hour of consultation. The amount of staff time needed may be a little or a lot, depending on the planned activities. We can estimate this fee when the Science Director receives the application and Project Description, as described above. RMBL has microscopes available for use for a \$15/microscope.

Internet: RMBL has an open wireless internet system available throughout the campus, although some dead zones exist and coverage may not be dependable in all cabins. Excellent wireless access is available in the Community Center. For information about coverage in specific cabins, contact Gesa Michel, [admin@rmbll.org](mailto:admin@rmbll.org). There is no cell phone service in Gothic.

Meals: The Community Center Dining Hall serves cafeteria style breakfast at 7am, lunch at Noon, and dinner at 6pm. The Dining Hall offers vegetarian and meat options but does not currently cater to vegans. Bag lunches are available for meals in the field. Menus are posted weekly on [www.rmbll.org/meals](http://www.rmbll.org/meals) to aid in your meal planning.

Use of Domestic Kitchen: Groups who would like to use the domestic kitchen in the Community Center will sign up through the Administration office to have a zone and code assigned. The cost is \$1.00/day/person with a \$25.00 minimum. If RMBL assigns a group to use the domestic kitchen, due to other housing constraints, the use is free. A cleaning fee of \$40/hour may be charged if the space is not left in a clean condition after check-out.

Housing: Your group can be housed onsite and participants would be staying in cabins with other scientists who already live onsite. Cabin assignments will be made based upon gender and cabin availability. We will try to house participants in the same cabins, but we may need to intersperse them with other scientists, depending on cabin availability.

Many of the RMBL facilities, including cabins, are rustic, which adds a great appeal to living and studying at a high-altitude field station. Some cabins are poorly insulated, do not have heat, lack any running water and do not have indoor toilets or showers. Outhouses are used for toilet facilities. The water system is unreliable during the shoulder season, but central water is readily available. Participants should bring appropriate clothing and bedding materials considering the rustic conditions. RMBL does have coin-operated front loading washers and dryers available for use.

Off-site Housing: If your group or some participants would like to live offsite, there are a range of options for off-site housing in Mt. Crested Butte and Crested Butte. Please visit [www.rmbll.org/offsitelodging](http://www.rmbll.org/offsitelodging) for more information.

Linen Sets: Individuals should bring a warm sleeping bag (rated to 20 degrees) and bath towel as RMBL does not provide sheets, blankets and pillows as part of the basic rate. A limited number of linen sets may be available to rent for a one-time fee of \$50/set. A set of linens includes: a fitted sheet, top sheet, blanket(s), bath towel, pillow, and pillow case. Requests for linens need to be made at least one month in advance of arrival; we recommend that a request be made upon booking. If linens are reserved, they will be provided upon check-in.

Shower House: A Shower House with four showers and sinks is available for general use. Soap and shampoo will be provided in communal showering areas, but not in individual cabins. Individuals will need to bring their own towels for showering. Please note that there are only a limited number of showers and showering will be inconvenient.

Check-in/Check-out: All event participants will need to check in on your day of arrival. We do not recommend that people unfamiliar with the site arrive after dark. Cabins will be available at 2 pm upon arrival and must be vacated by 11 am upon departure, unless alternative arrangements

have been made. Participants are responsible for cleaning their own cabin during their stay (there is no maid or cleaning service) and before departure. A cleaning charge of \$40/hour will be billed to the program, if cabins are not properly cleaned. A check-out sheet is available in the office that outlines RMBL's expectations. RMBL also reserves the right to recover any damages to the cabins.

Orientation: RMBL will give a brief orientation to program participants in the beginning of their stay to understand policies regarding parking in designated spots, staying on the paths, and the check-out process – among others.

Parking: Parking fees apply in Gothic. Parking in Gothic costs \$10/day/vehicle. Everybody who is parking in Gothic will need to register their vehicle and get a parking permit from the Administration Office. Please go to [www.rmbll.org/parking](http://www.rmbll.org/parking) for more information.

Transportation: Workshop participants can fly into the Gunnison/Crested Butte airport, which is approximately 1 hour away. Other regional airports include Denver (4 hr drive), Colorado Springs (3.5 hr drive), and Montrose (2 hr drive). Alpine Express (<http://alpineexpressshuttle.com/aexwp/>) can provide transportation between RMBL and the airport. They can also provide transportation for field trips. Additional travel information including driving directions to Gothic is available on the RMBL website at: [www.rmbll.org/travel](http://www.rmbll.org/travel). Questions may be directed to the Operations Coordinator at [office@rmbll.org](mailto:office@rmbll.org).

Liability Waiver: Each participant will need to fill out a RMBL liability waiver and an emergency contact form in advance of arrival. Group will send in one list with all filled out forms at least 2 weeks in advance of the trip to the Operations Coordinator at [office@rmbll.org](mailto:office@rmbll.org). Forms are available on the RMBL website at <http://www.rmbll.org/staffforms>.

Deposits: A deposit of \$750 will be required to hold housing spots. The deposit is non-refundable.

Payments: We ask that your group is making payment to RMBL as a lump sum and payment will need to be made at least 7 days prior to the start of the event.

Cancellations/Refunds: Deposits will not be returned. 50% of the total fee is due for cancellations made less than 7 days before the scheduled arrival. A charge of 100% of the housing fee will be made for cancellations made less than 24 hours before the scheduled arrival, or for early departures.

Insurance: Group will need to provide insurance for participants in the program and provide RMBL proof of such insurance in order to reserve and use housing spots.

Pets: Pets are not allowed at RMBL.

Smoke Free Campus: The RMBL campus is smoke-free, and there is no smoking allowed within the RMBL fence line. Smoking is allowed on the county road only.

For Additional Info: Contact Gesa Michel, 970-349-7231, [admin@rmbll.org](mailto:admin@rmbll.org).

Here is a summary of the 2017 rates for your research & education group.

<b>Price/day/person</b>	<b>Service/Space</b>
\$95.00	<b>Full Service: Housing, Station and Equipment Use Fees, and Full Meal Plan</b>
\$63.00	<b>Housing &amp; Station Equipment Use Fees Only (No Meals)</b>
\$30.00	<b>Station &amp; Equipment Use Fees (valid either on site or offsite)</b>
\$39.00	<b>Full Meal Plan = Breakfast, Lunch &amp; Dinner Separate Meals are \$11 for Breakfast, \$14.50 for Lunch, \$16.00 for Dinner</b>
\$105.00	<b>Barclay Classroom, Library, Laboratory Space, Computer Lab, Town Hall, or Ruby Lounge</b>
\$185.00	<b>Any two Classroom spaces (Barclay, Library, Computer Lab)</b>
\$210.00	<b>Community Center Board Room</b>

<b>Other Fees</b>	<b>Service</b>
\$750.00	<b>Non-Refundable Deposit</b>
\$10.00	<b>Vehicle Per Day</b>
\$50.00	<b>Per Linen Set</b>
\$50.00	<b>Science Consultation Per Hour</b>
\$40.00	<b>Cleaning Fee Per Hour</b>