

14TH INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS

AUTHOR INSTRUCTIONS AND POLICIES

All Submitters / Authors must adhere to the instructions below as well as the schedule commitment listed:

The current schedule for this event is as follows:

- **October 1, 2024, to March 28, 2025**—Call for papers is open
- **May 1, 2025**—First draft round opens (manuscripts and PowerPoint drafts to be submitted)
- **November 5, 2025**—First draft round closes (all manuscripts and PowerPoint drafts **are due**)
- **February 26, 2026**—Reviewers submit recommendations to author(s)
- **March 4, 2026**—Final submission round opens for Author(s)
- **March 27, 2026**—All PowerPoint presentations should be submitted for event upload
- **May 11–14, 2026**—Presentations in person at Symposium
- **June 15, 2026**—Final manuscripts **are due**

If you submit a PowerPoint *only*, your work **WILL NOT** be included in the final proceeding's publication. Only full manuscripts **WILL** be included in the final proceeding's publication.

AUTHOR AGREEMENT

All submitters, on behalf of themselves or their authors, must sign and submit a completed Author Agreement Contract to proceed into the manuscript round. Failure to do so will result in rejection for publication.

This agreement allows the UAA permission to publish the paper(s) on the author's behalf, as well as make layout, font, and grammatical corrections and adjustments. The full contract can be viewed [here](#).

PEER REVIEW PROCESS

- All manuscripts and PowerPoints are peer-reviewed by two or more authorities.
 - PowerPoints will only be reviewed once; feedback will be provided before final submission.
- Manuscript recommendations will be provided to the authors for revisions.
- Final manuscripts will be submitted to UAA for copy, technical editing, and layout.

MANUSCRIPT REQUIREMENTS

- Final manuscripts are to be written for a scientific research audience and will be published in English as online proceedings **only**.
 - The total word count is recommended but not limited to, articles consistent with those found in scientific journals, which is **5,000 words or less**.
- ALL manuscripts should be submitted in **Microsoft Word** via the submission software system.
- ALL manuscripts are to have all images (graphs, photos, etc) embedded into the Word document.
- Please refrain from advertising companies, schools, or products.
- To see samples of past proceedings, please click [here](#).

FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS

- The body of the text may be divided into three levels of subheadings.
 - First-level subheads may include some or all of the following: Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusions, Acknowledgments, References, Author Profile (do **NOT** to exceed **150 words per author profile**)
- List the presenter(s) and other collaborators, below the title by providing the first and last name (middle initial optional)
 - Do **NOT** include job titles.
- An **abstract** is required and should be located in the beginning, beneath the title and author(s) name(s).
 - The abstract should **NOT** exceed 200 words
 - Include a brief summary of the results.
- Include **key terms** to be used for indexing; these should be in alphabetical order.

- Footnotes are **NOT** permitted, except in tables.
- Scientific names should be *italicized* and in parentheses upon first use.
 - Use authorities as part of the scientific name of a species only in taxonomic works (or to avoid confusion).
- **ALL** units of measurement should be **metric**; imperial units may be placed in parentheses after the metrics.
 - For example: 300 km (200 mi) pipeline.
- Figures or photographs may be provided as black-and-white or as full-color graphics.
 - Do **NOT** use ditto marks in tables or figures.
 - Captions should adequately describe the content.
 - Tables must be submitted as text in Microsoft Word
 - Figures/Photos are to be embedded in the manuscript file-
 - File names must include the author's name, figure number, and manuscript identifier.
- List **references** at the end of the article in alphabetical order by name of author.
 - References should be written as follows: (Smith 1988) for a single author, (Smith and Anderson 1998) for two authors, or (Smith et al. 1988) for three or more authors.
 - When citing multiple sources for one point or fact, arrange the references chronologically, from earliest to latest: (Smith **1988**, Jones **1990**, Brown et al. **1998**).
 - Below are three examples of commonly used literature citations:
 - Hepple, W.R. 1991. "Physiology of Chemical Movement in Trees." In Systemic Chemical Treatments in Tree Culture, edited by Smith, K.B., and M.E. Brown, pp. 1–10. New York: Wiley.
 - Morris, M.S. 1988. Biology and Control of Tree Pests. Bulletin 267 of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station. New Haven, CT. 23 pp.
 - Green, J.W. 2002. Organic Farming. Available at http://www.ec-europa.eu/agriculture/organic/organic-farming/what-organic_en (accessed August 2011).

EDITING TIPS

- Keep the titles brief but informative.
- Make sure to state your objective(s) clearly.
 - Use a short form in the Abstract and greater detail in the introduction.
 - For example, "The objective is to review IV or the objective is to test the hypothesis that..."
- Use short sentences to avoid run-ons.
- Check headings carefully for proper spelling and style format.
- The word "data" is always plural. For example: "data are" or "data were collected"
- Use rights-of-way, ROWs, or ROW
- Do **NOT** use rights-of-ways 500 kV – 500 (space) kV (no space between "kV")
- Do **NOT** use italics for et al., i.e., e.g., and double-check punctuation
- Be consistent with ALL cross-references to figures.
 - For example: birds (Fig. 2) or (Figure 2) are perched on wire
- May/June use caps; winter/summer do not use caps unless it is used at the beginning of a sentence.

POLICY AGREEMENT & REMINDERS:

As a submitter/author for this event, you are acknowledging and agreeing to:

- The obligation to write a paper for publication in the Proceedings and to present in person at the Symposium on the dates assigned
- The availability of reduced registration fees for up to 2 speakers per presentation
- The request to book your stay at the host hotel
- The obligation to **NOT** make your presentation a sales pitch
- The obligation to notify the event manager as soon as possible if you should be unable to present at your allotted time
- The obligation to find a suitable replacement in the event the above should happen.
- The more edits needed to the manuscripts, the longer it takes to publish the Proceedings.
 - The editing is done by volunteer Steering Committee Members on their own time so please respect the timeline.

The deadline for submitting final manuscripts is June 15, 2026.

ALL PowerPoint presentations should be submitted for the Symposium by March 27, 2026.

Please share any questions you may have with a Steering Committee Member at the Symposium.

All papers must have a signed copy of the ROW Author Agreement no later than [INSERT DATE] to have your manuscript published in the Proceedings. Failure to complete the agreement will result in not being published.

All accepted manuscripts should be presented by the main author, **in person at the symposium**. Please be sure to secure travel arrangements (event registration, hotel, etc.) to accommodate this appearance to present. All articles published in these Proceedings will be protected by U.S. copyright, which covers the exclusive rights to reproduce and distribute the article, as well as all translation rights. No material published in this journal may be reproduced without first obtaining written permission from the publisher.