**MMV9 Session Proposal**

**Economic Contributions of Outdoor Recreation**

This session will focus on the contribution outdoor recreation participation makes to the economy in employment, value added, and income. The Bureau of Economic Analysis in the USA is creating a new satellite account of all the economic activity in the country generated by outdoor recreation. Many countries have developed satellite accounts for travel and tourism. However, the outdoor recreation satellite account is a new effort. The presentation of the approach, preliminary findings, and issues for the recreation satellite account is the session’s centerpiece. Many agencies also create estimates of the economic contribution that visitation to their lands makes to nearby economies. Not all such estimates have identical approaches. The session will also discuss several of the more standard approaches taken.

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