

Buffers in Kespukwitk - 2026 Science Conference - the Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute and the Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve Association

Instructions for Presenters

Please follow these instructions to ensure your presentations work well at the venue. If you have any questions, problems, or concerns, please email buffers2026@gmail.com

Oral Presentations

Timeslots for oral presentations are either 15 or 20 minutes, including time to set up, speak, and answer questions. Plan to speak for 3-5 minutes less than your timeslot if you want to take questions from the audience. Practice your talk to ensure it fits comfortably in the timeslot.

We can only accept presentations in PowerPoint. Slides will be projected from a PC laptop. If you prepare your presentation on a Mac, please test it on a PC before the conference to ensure it projects correctly. Note that any video files imbedded in your presentation must be saved in .mp4 format.

For slide size, please use the Widescreen (16:9 ratio) slide size option in the Design tab in PowerPoint. This ratio will maximize the slide size on the projection screen, which has a similar format.

Please use large fonts to ensure the entire audience (approx. 100-150 people) can easily read the text on your slides. The size of the projection screen is relatively small for the size of the room. Keep text to a minimum and use a font that is easily readable.

Upload your presentation to the personalized link provided (once your presentation slot has been confirmed) by Monday November 16. Bring a backup copy on a memory stick, just in case.

Poster Presentations

Our poster boards can accommodate posters with a maximum size of 122 x 122 cm (4' x 4'), so please design and print your poster accordingly. Maximum height and width are 122 cm.

We recommend using large, easy-to-read fonts and keeping text to a minimum, using photos and other graphics where possible to illustrate your points.

The poster session will run from 4:00-6:00 PM on Wednesday, November 18. Poster presenters are expected to be at their posters for most of the session.

Presenters can hang their posters at 9 AM or during breaks or lunch on the first day of the conference and must take them down at the end of the conference. Push pins for mounting posters will be available in the poster room.