

ASPB 2026 Attendee Checklist

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Before Edmonton

Two weeks out to the day you leave

- ☐ **Pick 2 to 3 field problems to solve**
A survey that ran over budget, slow data cleanup, or an open regulatory question
- ☐ **Mark sessions from the posted abstracts**
Workshops, presentations, speed talks and posters on aspb.ab.ca/conference
- ☐ **Split concurrent sessions with colleagues**
Agree on one shared notes format before you go
- ☐ **Plan your evenings**
Wednesday and Thursday receptions; check the Thursday banquet dress code
- ☐ **Pack for early-November Edmonton weather**
Warm layers for getting between the hotel, the mall and parking

Questions to ask about field tools

Use between sessions and at sponsor booths

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| 1 Does it work with no cell coverage?
How is data stored and synced from remote sites? | 2 How long does it take a crew to learn?
Training time matters in a short field season. |
| 3 Can we use our own survey forms?
Protocols differ by client and regulator. | 4 Is every record GPS-tagged and timestamped?
Location and time context you can stand behind. |
| 5 How does it handle our GIS layers?
Footprints, setbacks, wetlands, restriction zones. | 6 Can we compare results across seasons?
Multi-year monitoring needs consistent data. |
| 7 What does it cost as the team grows?
Field staff, office staff and subcontractors. | 8 How are field hours and costs tracked?
Fixed fees and tight windows. |
| 9 What do clients and regulators receive?
Maps, photo logs and data at deliverable quality. | |

Session notes

Session _____	Applies to which program or site? _____
Key idea and evidence _____	
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After ASPB

Within a week of getting back

- ☐ **Summarize: one page per useful session**
- ☐ **Update survey methods, field forms and data needs for next season**
- ☐ **Log sessions and workshops in your continuing competency records**
- ☐ **Share relevant takeaways with colleagues and clients**