

**North Dakota Envirothon - Volunteer - State Competition
May 6-8, 2026 Checklist**

- [volunteer registration](#) (online google form) - Due April 1, 2026
- [Photo/health release form](#) (one per volunteer) - Due April 1, 2026
- [Volunteer demographic form](#) - Due April 1, 2026
- Trail guides needed Wednesday, May 6 starting at 5 pm to Friday, May 8 at 3 pm. Trail guides are assigned one team to monitor during the entire competition and ensure teams go to appropriate places at the correct time.
- Trail guide training Wednesday, May 6 at 7 pm at Crystal Springs.
- Current Issue Judges are needed Friday, May 8 starting at 8 am for training until 3 pm. Judges will score team presentations.
- All volunteers are given free room and board at Crystal Springs camp. Lodging is dormitory style. **Please bring your own bedding, towels, and toiletries if staying at the camp.**
- Questions, contact ND Envirothon Coordinator - Andrea Petersen - ndenvirothon@gmail.com

Welcome to the North Dakota Envirothon. The Envirothon is a natural resource competition for high school students. Teams of five from around the state compete at the state event held every May. Teams compete first, in a hands-on trail test in the areas of aquatics, forestry, soils, prairie, and wildlife. Second, teams work cooperatively to answer a current issue problem and prepare an oral argument. The top team from the state competition moves on to the national competition held in the summer.

This year, the ND Envirothon state competition is May 7-9 at Crystal Springs Camp near Medina, ND. We're anticipating 25 teams and advisors. The competition relies on volunteers to help the event run smoothly. We're looking for volunteer trail guides and current issue judges.

Trail guides are assigned to one team and remain with them throughout the entire competition. Trail guides direct teams through the trail test making sure teams answer every question and follow all the rules. Trail guides also monitor teams during their current issue preparation time. Trail guides are like a big buddy for a team - we hope trail guides develop a fun relationship with their teams. We request trail guides arrive Wednesday at 5 pm and remain at Crystal Springs until Friday around 3 pm.

Current issue judges analyze and score team presentations. Three judges are assigned to view each team presentation. We provide judge training on Friday morning. Judges are asked to arrive Friday at 8 am and may leave around Friday at 3.

All North Dakota Envirothon volunteers are provided room and board at Crystal Springs camp.

Please consider becoming a volunteer for this year's event. For more information visit our website or contact the ND Envirothon Coordinator - ndenvirothon@gmail.com - Andrea Petersen