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**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Ozark Summit, on a wide variety of Ozark natural resource management and research issues, is being hosted by the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission and the US Geological Survey for May 5-7, 2009 at the Inn of the Ozarks (a Best Western) in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. PLEASE PUT THIS MEETING ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!**

**The first Ozark Summit, held in West Plains, MO in May, 2008, began building the framework for improved efficiency and effectiveness of scientific investigations and resource management activities focused on Ozark streams. This second Summit will continue this cooperative management and scientific philosophy by extending our work and vision out to the land and water interface including how climate change and America's energy needs may impact this land/water interface.**

**To reach our goal of more enlightened/cooperative management of Ozark natural resources, we need participation in this meeting from a wide variety of federal, state, university and private entities from all 4 states in the Ozark region, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. As the Ozark Summit planning team is finishing up the agenda for the meeting, the arrangements committee has already completed the first phase of its business, which is securing a facility and general arrangements for the meeting. We are happy to report that the Inn of the Ozarks is working with us to provide excellent sleeping rooms for our meeting participants at or below federal per diem rates. Room rates are as follows :**

<b>Standard rooms with one king or two queen sized beds</b>	<b>\$69</b>
<b>Balcony rooms</b>	<b>\$79</b>
<b>King Leisure or rooms with Jacuzzi for two</b>	<b>\$99</b>
<b>Two room suites</b>	<b>\$129</b>

**Be sure to call the below number or email your room reservation ASAP. Rooms not reserved from our room block (May 5, 6) by April 5 will be released for resale. Our main contact is Randy Wolfinbarger and the Inn's contact information is: toll free reservation number – 1-800-552-3785, webpage is [www.innoftheozarks.com](http://www.innoftheozarks.com), and Randy's email address is [randy@innoftheozarks.com](mailto:randy@innoftheozarks.com). See you in the Ozarks!**

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