

Dylan Corbin

Dylan Corbin graduated from the University of Utah's Master's of City and Metropolitan Planning Program in the spring of 2017. Prior to that, he spent several years working as an interpreter and educator for the National Park Service in Yellowstone and for the Pacific Science Center in Seattle. Among the many remarkable experiences, he had in Yellowstone, he narrowly survived a close encounter with a grizzly bear, receiving a bite in the leg and claws to the head. He grew up in Portland and earned his Bachelor's degree in Geography and International Studies from the University of Oregon. His work experience with the National

Park Service led him to a research interest in the planning issues faced by National Parks and their associated gateway communities. Through the University of Utah's Ecological Planning Center, he joined a team working on studying the complex and interconnected social, environmental, and transportation related issues in the region surrounding Zion National Park in Southwest Utah. This work culminated in the formation of the Zion Regional Collaborative, an ongoing collaborative effort involving local communities, relevant land-management agencies, and other interested groups, on which Dylan presented case study research at the 2017 George Wright Society Conference on Parks, Protected Areas, and Cultural Sites.