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Summit for the Elephants, 2012

More than 100 elephant advocates gathered at Oakland Zoo for one of the most informative conferences of the year. The range of speakers included some of the foremost scientists studying elephants in the wild, as well as activists, zoo professionals and founders of sanctuaries for captive elephants worldwide.

The energy at the conference was palpable, with everyone in attendance committed to moving forward to provide a better world for captive elephants.

Many thanks to the staff and volunteers from the Oakland Zoo, and from PAWS, for their incredible contribution to the success of this important gathering, and a big THANK YOU to our speakers and vendors.

Gina Kinzley, Oakland Zoo



PAWS founder and director, Pat Derby, discusses the challenges of keeping bull elephants in captivity.



Dr. Keith Lindsay (left), shown here with Active Environments' Margaret Whittaker and PAWS' senior elephant keeper Brian Busta, extended his stay in San Andreas for a few days after Summit.