

# ***What good is a toad?***

Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 7-8 PM, doors open at 6:30 PM  
Page Center at SNARL, 1016 Mt Morrison Rd, Mammoth Lakes, CA



**Dr. Eric Berlow**, TED Senior Fellow and Co-Founder of Vibrant Data Inc. with a musical performance by **Patrick Cress** from the Yosemite Soundscapes Project

The humble Yosemite Toad has been at a focal point of conflict around the use of pack stock in wilderness meadows of the Sierra Nevada. In this talk and performance we hope to spark constructive discussion around a) the role that science can play in mediating legal and political conflict over conservation policy, and b) the limits of science to address the emotional drivers of conservation conflict.

**Yosemite Soundscapes** began as a collaboration between scientist, Eric Berlow, and musician, Patrick Cress, in 2009. Eric knew all the great spots in Yosemite's alpine meadows, and brought Patrick along to help convey the emotional and spiritual side of data through music.

Please arrive early to park, secure a seat, snack and mingle. Seminars are geared to adult audiences, however young people are encouraged to attend and well-behaved children are welcome. Visitors are not allowed to bring dogs to SNARL, so please leave pets at home. This week's seminar sponsored by Great Basin Bakery, Bishop, CA.

