

2014 Annual NC-140 Meeting

Clemson, SC

Tentative Plans

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The 2014 NC-140 Meeting will be held at Clemson University's Madren Conference Center, Clemson, South Carolina. Clemson University is easily reached by air travel via the Greenville/Spartanburg (GSP) International Airport. Sunday, November 9th and Thursday, November 13 will be travel days. There may be a shuttle for Sunday and Wednesday/Thursday but right now I cannot conclusively say that for sure. A private service is offered (www.clemsonshuttle.com) at \$65 one way so a car rental or car pooling may be cheaper. The meeting will begin on Monday, November 10th with an all-day tree fruit (peach) production industry tour in the "Ridge" region of SC (Edgefield/Johnston, SC). The business meeting will be conducted beginning Tuesday, November 11 at 8 AM and conclude by 4 PM Wednesday, November 12th. A detailed agenda will be sent to participants, which will include administration of the project, research trial coordination and state reports. Registration will be \$195 for the tour with lunch included or \$175 for just the meeting. Information for visitors to Clemson can be found at www.clemson.edu/visit

- **Sunday November 9, 2014:**

Travel to Clemson, South Carolina (via Greenville/Spartanburg airport (GSP)) and staying at The Conference Center and Martin Inn at Clemson University, 230 Madren Center Drive, Clemson University, Clemson, SC 29634-5673, 864-656-7155. *The Conference Center is on the lake and golf course and is adjacent to Clemson University and is ~55 minutes from GSP airport.* <http://www.clemson.edu/centers-institutes/madren/directions.html>

Rooms from the block may be reserved by Mid-September (before they are released to the public) for staying at the Martin Inn (attached to the Conference Center) Sunday through Wednesday nights.

Note: For those wanting to do the pre-meeting river tours (or turfgrass walking) on Saturday and Sunday, please notify me of which days you will be available (i.e., Saturday and/or Sunday).

- **Monday November 10, 2014:**

All day: Tour of South Carolina Peach Industry

- **Tuesday November 11, 2014:**

NC-140 Business meeting at Clemson Conference Center

8:30 AM Welcome and Meeting Intro

9:00 AM Meeting Agenda and NC-140 Administration

10-noon Trial Coordinators Reports

Noon: Buffet lunch provided (vegetarian options available)

1:00-3 PM Trial Coordinators Reports

3:30-5:30 PM Tour Musser Fruit Research Center plots

6:30 PM Group Dinner

8:00 to 11:00 PM Room(s) available for planning meetings

- **Wednesday November 12, 2014:**

8:30 AM - Noon State Reports

Noon: Buffett lunch provided (vegetarian options available)

1:30-4 PM State Reports

There will be an optional evening of dinner and entertainment in Greenville for those staying until Thursday if enough are interested. Hotels in Greenville run free shuttles to the nearby GSP airport for those with early flights on Thursday.

- **Thursday November 13, 2014: Check Out and Travel Day**