

Multi-Commodity Education Program
Tentative Agenda
October 23-27, 2006
Raleigh, NC & Vicinity

Program Objectives

- Provide current and emerging leaders an opportunity to better understand conditions and challenges faced by their peers in other geographic regions.
- Provide an opportunity for participants to meet their counterparts in other geographic regions to gain a better understanding, through first hand observation and discussion, of agronomic practices, technology utilization, cropping patterns, marketing plans, and operational structure.
- Observe production, harvesting, and processing of various crops in the areas visited
- Visit research facilities, processing operations and other facilities of interest and relevance to the local economy
- Provide project sponsor(s) with an opportunity to establish stronger relationships with producers who are current and future leaders.
- **All expenses related to travel and participation in group activities will be covered by sponsors**

Travel arrangements

Air reservations to be made by NCC staff coordinator with guidance from participants and/or cooperating organizations; hotel accommodation reservations and ground transportation (charter buses) to be reserved by NCC staff coordinator.

Hotel Accommodations

Reservations to be made by NCC staff coordinator:

AmeriSuites
Morrisville, NC
919-405-2400

Hampton Inn
Kinston, NC
252-523-1400

Dress:

Business casual for entire week.

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Monday, October 23

Arrive Raleigh airport. Taxi to hotel (15 minutes)

5:45 p.m. Meet in hotel lobby

6:00 p.m. Dinner, Sponsor's Welcome and Orientation
Capital City Chop House reservations for 20-25 people
(located across street from hotel)

Hotel – AmeriSuites, Morrisville, NC

Tuesday, October 24

Breakfast on your own

8:25 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby to board bus

8:45 a.m. Cotton, Incorporated, Cary (**see last page for detailed agenda**)
Topic: Producer funded research and promotion programs; briefings by
research and promotion specialists; tour textile processing facilities

Lunch at Cotton, Inc.

2:00 p.m. Depart

3:00 p.m. Denning Farms, Benson
Topics: cotton, soybean, tobacco, poultry production, harvesting and processing
Host: Max Denning

Overview of North Carolina Agriculture (at Denning Farms)

Host: Bryant Spivey, District Director
North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service

Dinner - The Club House Restaurant, Benson

9:00 p.m. Return to hotel

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Wednesday, October 25

Breakfast on your own and check out of hotel

- 7:00 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby to board bus **with luggage**
- 8:00 a.m. National Textiles, Sanford
Topic: Cotton yarn production and textile mill management
Host: Lori Ray
- 11:00 a.m. Depart
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch - Eddie's, Newton Grove
- 1:00 p.m. Sampson County Gin, Newton Grove
Topic: Cotton ginning operations
Host: Wayne Smith
- 3:00 p.m. Depart
- 3:30 p.m. Gerald Warren Swine Farms, Newton Grove, NC
Topic: Swine production
Host: Gerald Warren
- 4:30 p.m. Depart
- 4:45 p.m. Monsanto Research Center, Mount Olive
Topic: Sunbelt crop protection and technology
Host: Doug Register
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner with area growers - Chef and the Farm (John Howard)

Hotel – Hampton Inn, Kinston, NC

Thursday, October 26

Breakfast on your own

- 7:30 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby to board bus
Local host: Quill Albritten
- 8:00 a.m. Peanut Production & Processing – Coastal Chemical
Host: Joe Warren
Owner: Jim Whitehurst

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Thursday, October 26 (continued)

- 10:00 a.m. Peanut Harvesting, Kinston area
Tull Hill Farms
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch – Bum’s (an old fashioned Pig Pickin’), Ayden
- 2:00 p.m. Greenville Turf & Tractor, Winterville
John Deere Dealership
Topic: Southern agriculture farm equipment
- 3:00 p.m. Farm Tours with Individual Producers
Participants pair with local growers
(Mike Gay, Jack Allen & others)
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner @ Baron & Beef, Kinston

Hotel – Hampton Inn, Kinston, NC

Friday, October 27

Breakfast on your own and check out of hotel

- 7:00 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby to board bus **with luggage**
- 8:00 a.m. Paxton Bonded Warehouse, Wilson
Topic: Cotton warehousing and shipping
Host: Coalter Paxton
- Cargill Cotton Company
Topic: Role of Cotton Merchant and Marketing
Host: Robert Buckles, Cargill Cotton Company
(at Paxton Bonded Warehouse)
- 10:15 a.m. Depart
- 11:00 a.m. Carolinas Cotton Growers Association, Garner
Topic: Role of Marketing Cooperative and Marketing
Host: Mike Quinn
- Box lunches to be served
- 12:00 a.m. Depart for airport

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Tuesday, October 24, 2006
Cary, North Carolina

Multipurpose Room

8:45am-9:15am	WELCOME & COMPANY OVERVIEW	J. Berrye Worsham President & CEO
9:15am-10:00am	GLOBAL PRODUCT SUPPLY CHAIN - OVERVIEW - SUPPLY CHAIN PLANNING - GLOBAL ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT	Melissa R. Bastos Manager Market Research
10:00am-10:15am	PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT & IMPLEMENTATION	R. Michael Tyndall Senior Director Product Initiatives
10:15am-10:45am	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	Dr. Roy G. Cantrell Vice President Agricultural Research
10:45am-11:00am	FIBER COMPETITION	Michael D. Watson Vice President Fiber Competition
Research		
11:00am-11:15am	EFS® Marketing China	Charles H. Chewning, Jr. Vice President EFS® Marketing China
11:15am-12:00pm	LUNCH – Multipurpose Room	

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12:00pm-1:35pm	RESEARCH LAB WALKING TOUR	R. Michael Tyndall Senior Director Product Initiatives
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Lee G. Snyder
Associate Director
Technology

Implementation

TOUR SCHEDULE:

12:00pm-12:15pm: Fiber Processing
12:20pm-12:35pm: Product Development
12:40pm-12:55pm: Dyeing & Finishing
1:00pm-1:15pm: Finishing Research
1:20pm-1:35pm: Product Evaluation

1:40pm–2:00pm	Wrap-up – Multipurpose Room	M. Bastos M. Tyndall M. Watson
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2:00pm	Departure	
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