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Virginia Tech Campus Visit  
General Assembly ACNR Retreat  
Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2 and 3, 2018

## Agenda

**Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

**12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Welcome, Lunch & Overview of the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine**

\*Note: Lunch will be provided to members & staff only.  
Location: 205 Duck Pond Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24061

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Gregory B. Daniel, Interim Dean, Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine

**1:15 p.m. Travel to the Human Agricultural Biosciences Building (HABB1)**

**1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Overview of Virginia Cooperative Extension and Agricultural Experiment Station**

Location: Room 108, Human Agricultural Biosciences Building (HABB1), 1230 Washington St SW, Blacksburg, VA 24061

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Alan Grant, Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Mr. Lonnie Johnson, Associate Director for Field Operations and Administration, Cooperative Extension

Dr. Tony Wolf, Director, AHS Jr. Agricultural Research and Extension Center

Ms. Ashley Edwards, Commercial Horticulture Agent for Carroll, Grayson, and Wythe Counties

**Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> Continued:**

**2:45 – 4:00 p.m. Tour of Pilot Scale Facility in HABB1, Discussion of Programs and Impacts: Aquaculture and Water Quality Lab**

Location: Human Agricultural Biosciences Building (HABB1),  
1230 Washington St SW, Blacksburg, VA 24061

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Joe Marcy, Head, Department of Food Science and Technology

Dr. Michael Schwarz, Director, Seafood Agricultural Research and Extension Center

Dr. David Kuhn, Associate Professor of Aquaculture, Department of Food Science and Technology

Ms. Erin Ling, Water Quality Extension Associate, Department of Biological Systems Engineering

**4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Invasive Plant Species and Weed Management Challenges**

Location: Human Agricultural Biosciences Building (HABB1),  
1230 Washington St SW, Blacksburg, VA 24061

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Mike Evans, Director, School of Plant and Environmental Sciences

Dr. Jacob Barney, Associate Professor, SPES

Dr. Michael Flessner, Assistant Professor and Extension Weed Science Specialist, SPES

**5:00 p.m. Day One Concludes**

**Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

**8:45 – 9:00 a.m. Overview of Livestock Facilities and Updates**

Location: Kentland Farm, 5250 Whitethorne Rd, Blacksburg, VA 24060

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Alan Grant, Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Dr. David Gerrard, Head, Department of Animal and Poultry Sciences

Mr. Travis Jessee, Capital Project Manager, University Design and Construction

**9:00 – 10:15 a.m. Tour of New Dairy Facility at Kentland, Research and Extension Impacts, and Nutrient Management**

Location: Kentland Farm, 5250 Whitethorne Rd, Blacksburg, VA 24060

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Mr. Shane Brannock, Dairy Farm Superintendent, Kentland Farm

Dr. Gonzalo Ferreira, Assistant Professor, Department of Dairy Science

**Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> Continued:**

Ms. Jody Booze-Daniels, Nutrient Management Specialist, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

**10:15 p.m. Travel to Center Woods**

**11:00 – 2:15 p.m. Lunch & College of Natural Resources and Environment Tours**

\*Note: Given space restrictions, guests will be divided into three groups that will rotate through the Aviary, Frimpong Lab, and Mollusk Center. Lunch will be provided to members and staff only.

Location: Center Woods, 756 Inventive Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24016

**11:00 -11:45 a.m. College of Natural Resources and Environment Tour: Aviary**

**11:45 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch and Discussion with College of Natural Resources and Environment Researchers**

**12:45 – 1:30 p.m. College of Natural Resources and Environment Tour: Frimpong Lab**

**1:30 – 2:15 p.m. College of Natural Resources and Environment Tour: Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Center**

**Virginia Tech Participants for Lunch and Tours:**

Dr. Emmanuel Frimpong, Associate Professor, Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation

Dr. William Hopkins, Director, Global Change Center

Dr. Jess Jones, Restoration Biologist, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
Co-Director, Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Center

Dr. Joel Snodgrass, Head, Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation

Ms. Sydney Hope, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation

**2:15 p.m. Travel to the Brooks Forest Products Center**

**2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Overview of Forestry Science: Forest Status, American Chestnut, and Biomass Use**

Location: Brooks Forest Products Center, 1650 Research Center Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24061

**Virginia Tech Participants:**

Dr. Robert Smith, Associate Dean, Engagement; and Head, Department of Sustainable Biomaterials

**3:30 p.m. Retreat Concludes**