



Join Us in Sweet Home Alabama for the 2015 RTA Field Trip



February 20, 2015

To RTA Members:

Come join us in Birmingham, Alabama for our upcoming RTA Member-Wide Field Trip. Hotel reservations can be made by calling the [Marriott Birmingham](#) at **1.205.968.3775** and asking for the RTA Room Block by the **May 6th cut-off date**. The negotiated rate is \$129 + tax and includes a full breakfast buffet each morning for those staying at the hotel. See the itinerary below for full day-by-day details of places you will be visiting. **Registration for this event is \$145/person.**

RTA Field Trip

DAY/DATE

ACTIVITY

Sunday/May 31, 2015

3:00-5:00 pm
5:00-5:30 pm
5:30-7:00 pm

R&D Committee Meeting at Hotel
MSHS Committee Meeting at Hotel
Reception at Marriott Birmingham in Birmingham, AL. If you aren't driving, your best bet is to fly directly into Birmingham airport.

Monday/June 1, 2015

6:30 am
7:00 am
8:00 am
8:30 am
8:50 am
9:50 am
10:40 am
11:45 am
12:45 pm
1:45 pm
3:00 pm
3:15 pm
4:15 pm
5:00 pm

Breakfast at Hotel
Depart Hotel
Arrive IndustREE Pole Peeling operation Goodwater, AL (Rest Stop and Drive through tour)
Depart Goodwater (Snacks/Drinks on Bus)
Arrive and Tour IndustREE Tie Sawmill Nixburg, AL
Depart Nixburg
Arrive and Tour Stella-Jones Clanton Al plant (**Late am Snacks/Drinks at plant***)
Depart Clanton
Arrive Cahaba Lake Retreat for lunch (Cahaba Sponsored)
Arrive and Tour Cahaba Industries Treating Plant
Depart Cahaba
Arrive and Tour Stella-Jones Montevallo Plant
Depart Montevallo (Snack/Drinks on Bus)
Arrive Hotel

Tuesday/June 2, 2015

6:15 am
6:45 am
9:30 am

10:00 am
10:15 am

11:45 am
1:30 pm
3:00 pm
6:00 pm

Breakfast at Hotel
Depart Hotel (Snacks on Bus - Rest Stop I-59 AL mile marker 85)
Arrive MSU Forest Products Research Facility Starkville, MS (Bathroom Break and **Snacks/Drinks at MSU***)
Depart for RTA/MSU Test Site
Tour RTA-AWPRP Test Site (**RTA Staff**: Note the need for bug/tick sprays and First Aid kit for site visit)
FPR Tour and Presentation with Lunch sponsored by MSU FPR
Tour MSU Dairy Manufacturing Facility
Depart Starkville (Snacks on Bus - Rest Stop I-59 AL mile marker 84)
Arrive Hotel

Wednesday/June 3, 2015

6:30 am
7:15 am
7:45 am
9:15 am
9:45 am
11:00 am

Breakfast at Hotel
Depart Hotel
Arrive to Tour Norfolk-Southern Intermodal Yard McCalla, AL
Depart NS (Snacks/Drinks on Bus)
Drop off at hotel to check out
Drop off at Birmingham Airport to depart for RR Day-on-the-Hill

Thursday/June 4, 2015

Railroad Day-on-the Hill, Washington, DC