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Research Associate Program – 2006 Economics of Sustainable Cotton Production

Date/Day	Time	Program
April 3, Monday		Arrival in Washington D.C. Stay at Holiday Inn National Airport, Crystal City in Arlington Virginia, 2650 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202. Telephone: 1-703-684-7200.
April 4, Tuesday	9:00	Meet at the Hotel Lobby, take Metro to the ICAC office. (Andrei Guitchounts) will meet you in the lobby
	10:00	Introduction to ICAC activities and program details, Andrei Guitchounts, ICAC
	10:30	Coffee Break
	11:00	Consumption and Sustainable Cotton Production, Carlos Valderrama, ICAC
	12:00	Payment of per diem, Federico Arriola, ICAC
	12:30	Lunch
	1:30	Departure for USDA, South Building by Metro
	2:00	USDA program, Carol Skelly The USDA program is as follows: 2:00 - 2:45 - Leslie Meyer of ERS on U.S. cotton marketing from producer to mill. 2:45 - 3:30 - Steve Neff of FSA on the cotton farm program. 3:30 - 4:00 - Jay Johnson of NASS on U.S. crop estimates. 4:00 - 4:30 - Carol Skelly on the economic intelligence system.
	4:30	Adjourn
April 5, Wednesday	9:30	Meet at the ICAC office and walk to the World Bank
	10:00	World Bank program, John Nash
	2:00	Cotton Council International (CCI), David Collins
	4:30	American Cotton Shippers Association, Mr. Neal Gillen, Executive Vice President (ICAC offices)
April 6, Thursday	9:30	Sustainable Cotton Production, Rafiq Chaudhry, Technical Information Section, ICAC
	10:30	Coffee Break
	11:00	Country Presentations (Brazil, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire)
	12:00	Lunch
	1:00	Cotton Supply and Use, Armelle Gruere, ICAC
	2:00	Country Presentations (Egypt, Germany, Netherlands, Pakistan)
	3:00	Coffee Break
	3:30	Country presentations (Russia, Sudan, Turkey, Uzbekistan)
	4:30	Adjourn
April 7, Friday	9:30	Grading, Quality Assurance and Standardization, Lee Gibson, Chief of Quality Assurance Branch, USDA

10:30 Coffee Break
11:00 Organic Cotton, Phil Wakelyn, NCC
12:00 Lunch
1:30 Quiz
2:00 Certificate distribution
2:30 Coffee Break
3:00 Adjourn

April 8, Saturday Free day (Sightseeing)

April 9, Sunday 10:00 Departure for Florence South Carolina Driving in two 12 passenger vans
Stay at SpringHill Suites Marriott, Florence, South Carolina

April 10, Monday

8:00 am Arrive at the Pee Dee Research and Education Center
2200 Pocket Road
Florence, SC 29506

8:30 am Welcome and opening remarks
Dr. Todd Campbell
Research Geneticist, USDA-ARS (Florence, SC)

8:35 am Overview of Clemson University Pee Dee Research and
Education Center
Dr. George Askew
Pee Dee Regional Director, Clemson University

8:45 am Overview of USDA-ARS Florence research
Dr. Patrick Hunt
Research Leader, USDA-ARS (Florence, SC)

8:55 am Cotton production in South Carolina
Dr. Mike Jones
Cotton Specialist, Clemson University (Florence, SC)

9:25 am Conservation tillage in cotton production
Dr. Phil Bauer
Research Agronomist, USDA-ARS (Florence, SC)

9:55 am Coffee break

10:15 am Fiber quality research
Dr. Gary Gamble
Supervisory Research Chemist, USDA-ARS (Clemson, SC)

10:45 am Cotton entomology research
Dr. Jeremy Greene
Cotton Entomologist, Clemson University (Blackville, SC)

11:15 am Cotton nematology research

Dr. John Mueller
Plant Pathologist, Clemson University (Blackville, SC)

- 11:45 am Cotton genetics research
Dr. Todd Campbell
Research Geneticist, USDA-ARS (Florence, SC)
- 12:15 pm Lunch in Room 279
- 1:00 pm Precision Agriculture
Dr. Ahmad Khalilian
Agricultural Engineer, Clemson University (Blackville, SC)
- 1:30 pm Overview of Rogers Brothers Farm
Mr. Gill Rogers
Owner, Rogers Brothers Farm (Hartsville, SC)
- 2:00 pm Final thoughts and questions
Dr. Todd Campbell
Research Geneticist, USDA-ARS (Florence, SC)
- 2:15 pm Travel to Rogers Brothers Farm
1901 East Carolina Avenue
Hartsville, SC 29550
- 2:45 pm Tour of Rogers Brothers Farm
Mr. Gill Rogers
Owner, Rogers Brothers Farm (Hartsville, SC)
- 3:45 pm Travel to Delta and Pineland Company Breeding Station
DP&L, Highway 151 Business
Hartsville, SC 29550
- 4:00 pm Tour of Delta and Pineland Company Breeding Station
Dr. Cindy Green and Dr. Dawn Fraser
DP&L (Hartsville, SC)
- 4:45 pm Travel back to Florence

April 11, Tuesday 9:00 Driving to Raleigh North Carolina.
Stay at Courtyard Marriot, Raleigh Durham Airport
1:00 Lunch
2:00 Visit AG Commissioner Of North Carolina
3:30 Visit Cotton Incorporated (CI) headquarters at Cary S.C., briefing on
research projects on economics of cotton production sponsored by CI.

April 12, Wednesday 9:00 Visit Cotton Incorporated Laboratories
11:00 North Carolina State University Research overview (CI headquarters),
Dr. Crickenberger, Dr. Clyde Bogle

1:00 Lunch

1:30 Travel to visit a cotton grower and a gin operation, arranged by Billy Carter, NC Cotton Growers Association

April 13, Thursday 10:00 Return to Washington D.C.
End of the program