

11th Biennial Short Rotation Woody Crops Operations Working Group Conference
Short Rotation Woody Crop Science and Technology in an Uncertain Global Marketplace

Pre-meeting Field Tour

The field tour will depart from the DoubleTree Suites by Hilton, Hotel Orlando, 2305 Hotel Plaza Boulevard, Lake Buena Vista, Florida at **8:00am (Eastern time) on Tuesday, October 11, 2016.**

<http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/doubletree-suites-by-hilton-hotel-orlando-lake-buena-vista-MCOFHDT/index.html>

The DoubleTree hotel is about 13 miles from the Orlando airport and is the preferred starting point (along I4) to begin our tour on Tuesday morning. You must arrange your own transportation between the airport and the hotel with one of several shuttle companies or taxi services (shuttle time is approximately 40 minutes). If you do not plan to stay overnight at the DoubleTree, you should plan to be at its front entrance by the 8:00am departure time. The field tour will be a full day bus tour and end with the group's arrival at the conference hotel in Fort Pierce. A box lunch, refreshments, and snacks will be included with the cost of the tour.

**Hotels in Orlando at the
I4 – Florida 533 Interchange:**

- *DoubleTree Suites by Hilton, Hotel Orlando ~ \$150*
- Radisson Hotel Orlando Lake Buena Vista ~\$170
- Best Western Lake Buena Vista ~ \$160
- B Resort & Spa ~\$150
- Holiday Inn Orlando – Disney Springs ~ \$136
- Wyndham Lake Buena Vista ~ \$130
- Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista ~ \$175
- Courtyard Orlando Lake Buena Vista ~ \$100

Tour itinerary:

- 8:00am depart DoubleTree Suites
- 9:30am arrive at Mosaic near Bowling Green, FL (*1 hour stop*)
 - ✓ “Nelder wheel” cultivar/spacing trial with 5 cultivars and 7 spacings.
 - ✓ Visit research & operational Eucalyptus plantings.
- 10:30am depart Bowling Green, FL
- 11:15am arrive at Florida Grown Specialties in Frostproof, FL (*1-¼ hour stop*)
 - ✓ Tour Eucalyptus cultivar nursery.
 - ✓ Eat box lunch.
- 12:30pm depart Frostproof, FL
- 2:00pm arrive Evans Properties’ Griffin Block near Fort Pierce, FL (*1 hour stop*)
 - ✓ Operational E. urograndis hybrid cultivar plantings on former citrus land.
 - ✓ Coppice evaluation plots within operational planting.
- 3:00pm depart Evans Griffin Block
- 3:30pm bus arrives at Hampton Inn conference hotel in Fort Pierce.
- 5:00pm vans depart hotel for reception at the Research and Education Center.

The meeting will be held at the UF/IFAS Indian River Research and Education Center and lodging will be at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 1985 Reynolds Drive, Fort Pierce, FL. Shuttle service between the hotel and the meeting location will be provided.

<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hampton-inn-and-suites-ft-pierce-FTPHSHX/index.html>

The meeting will conclude at noon on Thursday, October 13, 2016. You will be returned to the hotel but be on your own for lunch and subsequent travel after that.

Enterprise Rental Cars in Fort Pierce will deliver cars to the hotel if you wish to rent one. The hotel can help you arrange shuttle service to either the Palm Beach International Airport (which is approximately 60 miles away) or back to Orlando if you wish.