

Forest Productivity Cooperative U.S. Contact Meeting

When: November 15-17th, 2022

Where: Leesville, Louisiana

Hotel:

Comfort Suites
11498 Lake Charles Highway
Leesville, LA; 337-404-3890

There are 30 rooms reserved under
Forest Productivity Coop Meeting
(Master account number 4467307)
Block reservation rate: \$110 a night

Click [here](#) to reserve this hotel

(<https://www.choicehotels.com/louisiana/leesville/comfort-suites-hotels/la222>)



Indoor Seminar Venue (Day 1)

[Hampton Inn of Leesville & Fort Polk. November 15 only.](#)

136 Express Blvd; Leesville, Louisiana, 71446, USA; 337-239-2929

Nearest large airport: Houston IAH (George Bush Intercontinental Airport)

Car travel time from Houston IAH to the Leesville Comfort Suites is 2 hours 59 minutes.
Car travel time from Lafayette Regional LFT Airport is 2 hours 21 minutes but flights are generally more expensive than Houston. Contact Sean Bloszies sabloszi@ncsu.edu to carpool with FPC team members from IAH a day early, on November 14 and return on the 17th.

Car Rentals

Houston IAH airport has several car rental companies, including Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, Hertz, National, Payless and Thrifty. Leesville, LA also is home to an Enterprise Rent-A-Car location.

Taxi Services

Lyft is present with limited availability in Leesville; Yellow Top Cab Company: 1-337-239-6006; T & T Taxi Cab Service of Fort Polk: 1-337-239-2525

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Tentative Schedule

Day 1 (Tues November 15): Indoor Portion:

Lunch will not be served, please eat beforehand

12:00	<i>Vans depart Comfort Suites to travel to Hampton Inn</i>
12:30	<i>Registration/meeting check in – Hampton Inn Meeting Room</i>
1:00-1:15	Welcome and Agenda (Rachel Cook - FPC)
1:15-1:45	Soil mapping site index and satellite tools updates (Rachel Cook - FPC)
1:45-2:15	Juvenile versus mid-rotation fertilization and fertilizer survey update (Tim Albaugh – FPC)
2:15-2:45	Herbicide usage update (Mike Cage - Red River Specialties LLC.)
2:45-3:15	<i>Coffee / Snack Break</i>
3:15-3:45	LiDAR-derived tree metrics and growth and yield (Matthew Sumnall - FPC)
3:45-4:15	Update on volume estimates with Lidar (Dave Carter – FPC)
4:15-4:45	Open discussion
4:45-5:00	<i>Pack up and head to vans</i>
5:00	<i>Vans depart hotel to travel to Little Cypress pavilion (20 minutes)</i>
5:30-8:00	<i>BBQ Dinner at Little Cypress Rec. Complex, Kisatchie Nat. Forest (30.98815, -93.15733)</i>

Day 2 (Wed November 16): Outdoor Portion:

7:30	<i>Vans depart hotel to travel to RW193101 (DeRidder, LA; 22min; 30.80678, -94.34572)</i>
	<i>Site visit of RW193101 Density Fertilizer Rate and Weed Control Study</i>
7:30-8:00	<i>Travel to RW193101</i>
8:00-8:30	RW193101 update (Tim Albaugh – FPC)
8:30-9:00	Crown Recession (Dave Carter – FPC)
9:00-9:30	Tree responses with thinning: next to or between down rows (Tim Albaugh – FPC)
9:30-10:00	Snack/drink break
10:00-11:00	UAV foliage sampling equipment (Guillaume Charron – Outreach Robotics)
11:00-11:30	<i>Boxed lunch</i>
11:30-1:15	<i>Travel to Variable Rate Trial (Woodville, TX; 1:20 minutes; 30.80706, -94.34561)</i>
	<i>Site visit of TX Variable Rate Precision Fertilizer Study</i>
1:15-1:45	Forest Inventory via Helicopter-mounted LiDAR (Bart Alexander–ChemAir, Chris Cohrs–NCSU; Ryan Armstrong—Northwest Management)
1:45-2:05	Within stand level variation due to microtopography (Raigosa)
2:05-2:30	Precision fertilization x midrotation veg control (Cook)
2:30-3:00	Discussion
3:00-4:45	<i>Travel to Comfort Suites (1:26 minutes)</i>
4:45-5:15	<i>Break at Comfort Suites</i>
5:15	<i>Vans depart hotel to travel to Wagon Master (5 minutes)</i>
5:15-5:30	<i>Travel from Comfort Suites to Wagon Master</i>
5:30-9:00	<i>Happy Hour, dinner at Wagon Master</i>