

2018 Rural Planning Caucus of Virginia Draft Conference Schedule

August 3, 2018

Wednesday, 10/17/18

Registration—opens at 12:30 pm
@ Mountain Lake Lodge

On-Site Workshop: Exploring the many Facets of Mountain Lake: History, Preservation, Tourism & Conservation (1— 4 pm):

Workshop will commence from the Main Lobby of the Mountain Lake Lodge

Walking tour of sites around the Mountain Lake:

- Mountain Lake Conservancy
- Water/ Wastewater Facilities
- Facility Improvements and
- Long Range Plans

40th Anniversary Kick-off— Mary's Barn (5:30 pm)

Networking Reception— Mary's Barn (6:00 pm - 7:00 pm)

Dinner— Mary's Barn (7:00 pm - 9:00 pm)

Thursday, 10/18/18

Breakfast— Harvest Ballroom (7:00 am—8:45 am)

Registration- opens @ 8:30 am in Giles

Welcome & Opening Remarks: Christy Straight, RPC Chair (8:55 AM)

Rural Broadband –Can you Google It Now? 9 am—12:15 pm)

- Pamunky.net
- [Private Company Perspective](#)
- [Electrical Cooperative Perspective](#)
- [Local Government Perspective](#)
- [State Perspective](#)
- Examples of VDOT Fiber Solutions, local examples from Bath/ Highland Counties, Middle Peninsula, Albemarle County, Halifax County, Rural Broadband Coalition

Coffee Break (10:30 am—10:45 am)

Rural Broadband Session continues after break

Lunch— Harvest Ballroom (12:15 pm—1:15 pm)

Rural Transportation: You Can (Maybe) Get There From Here to There (1:15 pm—2:45 pm)

- Funding opportunities
- Successes and Pitfalls

Coffee Break (2:45 pm—3:00 pm)

What's Bugging You? Pests, Pollinators and Plants (native vs. invasive; agricultural impacts) (3:00 pm—4:00 pm)

Annual RPC Business Meeting (4:00 pm):

- Financial Report
- We are a Non-Profit!
- Executive Committee Elections
- RPC Student Scholarship: 2018: VCU
- **2019 Conference: Oct. 16-18, 2019 @ Berry Hill!**
- Other Business

Hike Up the Mountain (4:45 pm—5:45 pm)

Networking Reception (6:30pm) Mary's Barn

Dinner & Entertainment Ballroom (7:15 pm)

40th Anniversary: Remembrances, Recognitions & Annual Awards Ceremony (8:00 pm)

Entertainment (8:30 pm - 10:30 pm)

Friday, 10/19/2018

Breakfast— Harvest Ballroom (7:00 am—9:00 am)

State Agency Outlooks (9:00 am —10:30 am)

- Va. Dept. of Housing and Community Development
- Va. Dept. of Transportation

Break (10:30 am—11:00 am)

Legal and Legislative Issues (11:00 am—12:30 pm) *AICP CM Legal Credits!*

- Recent Land Use Planning Court Cases & Rulings
- 2018 -2019 Legislation

Closing Comments (12:30 pm) - Christy Straight, RPC Chair

Lunch (12:35 pm - 1:45 pm) Ballroom

See you October 16-18, 2019 for RPC #41— Location: Berry Hill Resort South Boston,