

2016 Rural Planning Caucus of Virginia Final Conference Schedule

September 15, 2016 Draft

	Wednesday, 10/19/16	Thursday, 10/20/16	Friday, 10/21/2016
7:00 – 8:45 am		Breakfast —Dining Room	Breakfast (7:30 am - 9:00 am) - Dining Room
8:55 am		Registration —opens @ 8:30 am in the Giles Room	
9:00 am – 10:00 am		Welcome & Opening Remarks	
		Solar / Wind Energy Siting	Planning on Solid Ground (9:00 am—10:30 am): How geology, hydro-geology & different subsurface characteristics link to land use planning
		Learn about the ins and outs of solar and wind energy facility siting from industry experts and local government practitioners	
10:00 am - 10:15 am		Coffee Break	Coffee Break (10:30 am - 11:00 am)
10:15 am - 11:30 pm		Special Event Permitting in Rural Areas:	Legal and Legislative Issues (11:00 am - 12:30 pm)
		What works and what doesn't from the perspective of local government practitioners and a local government attorney	Recent Land Use Planning Court Cases & Rulings
			Enforcement Actions— Civil vs. Criminal
			2016 -2017 Legislation
11:30 pm - 12 :30 pm	Registration (opens at 12:30 pm) - Giles Room	Lunch — Dining Room	AICP CM Legal Credits! Closing Comments (12:30 pm)
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Off-Site Workshop: Kentland Farm: College Farm of Va. Tech 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm): Growing, Sustaining, Researching and Preserving the Future—	Planning, Permitting & Politics:	Lunch (12:35 pm - 1:45 pm) Dining Room
	Rolling Tour on Wagons!	<u>General Session: How Elected Officials Think</u> — from a local government attorney's perspective	See you October 18-20, 2017!
		<u>Lightning Round of Hot Planning Topics:</u> small-scale solar & wind facilities, economic impact of the Va. Creeper Trail, Fast Track Permitting & Plan Review	
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Off-Site Workshop continues until 4:00 pm	Trails: Rural, Suburban & Small town Impacts: examples of how regional trail systems have benefited local rural economies in Virginia and North Carolina and how to retrofit your community for better bike and pedestrian infrastructure	
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm		Annual RPC Business Meeting: Financial Report Non-Profit Status Executive Committee Elections RPC Student Scholarship Other Business	
4:45 pm - 5:45 pm		Annual RPC Hike Up the Mountain (@ 4:45 pm)	
5:45 pm - 6:00 pm	Break	Break	
6:00 pm—6:30 pm	Networking Reception & Wine Tasting: selection of Virginia wines—Mary's Barn	Break	
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm		Networking Reception & Beer Tasting (6:30 pm - 7:15 pm): selection of Virginia beers—Mary's Barn	
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Dinner — Mary's Barn	7:15 pm: Dinner —Mary's Barn	
	Networking	8:00 pm: Entertainment — Mercy Creek (band)	
		9:00 pm: Annual Awards Ceremony	
10:00 pm - 11:00 pm		Entertainment continues until 11 pm	