

# Southern Plant Board

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## 2017 SPB Meeting Invitation May 1-4, 2017 Cocoa Beach, Florida

Dear Southern Plant Board Members:

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meeting in Cocoa Beach, Florida. Details are presented below. This year promises to be another exciting and productive meeting helping us achieve our missions of protecting agriculture, horticulture, forestry and the environment.

### Accommodations/Room Rates

[Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront](#)  
1550 N. Atlantic Avenue  
Cocoa Beach, FL 32931  
(321) 799-0003

Please reference the Southern Plant Board Annual Meeting when making reservations. Contact the hotel directly to make individual reservations.

- Room rate is \$113 per night and will be honored from Saturday, April 29, 2017 through May 6, 2017.  
*(This rate is net, non-commissionable and based on single or double occupancy. Rate is subject to a 6.5% sales tax and 5% occupancy tax.)*
- Reservations must be received by the hotel before Tuesday, April 10, 2017.
- Check in time begins at 4:00 pm and checkout time is by 11:00 am.

### Transportation

Airports in vicinity include [Orlando International Airport](#) and Melbourne International Airport. Transportation from the Orlando International Airport to the Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront hotel is available through [Cocoa Beach Shuttle](#). Transportation to and from the airport is the responsibility of the traveler.

### Meeting Schedule

Monday, May 1, 2017	Registration and Evening Reception
Tuesday, May 2, 2017	General Session and Breakout Sessions
Wednesday, May 3, 2017	Morning Sessions, Afternoon Tour of Kennedy Space Center*
Thursday, May 4, 2017	Morning Sessions - Annual Meeting Adjourns at Noon

**\*Kennedy Space Center Tour** - On Wednesday, May 3rd, we have arranged a spectacular tour of [Kennedy Space Center](#) - the birthplace of America's space program, and the only place on Earth where man has launched into space and landed on the moon! Buses will pick us up at the hotel around 11:30 am. Box lunches will be provided. The tour will include stops at the vehicle assembly building, shuttle launch pads and a look inside the Apollo/Saturn V Center. Back at the Visitors Complex, more opportunities include, exhibits, IMAX films and more. Examples of how the space program effects agriculture will also be discussed and plant life research projects, past and present, will be presented. Buses will return to the hotel around 6:00pm.



### Member States

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North Carolina – Oklahoma – Puerto Rico – South Carolina – Tennessee – Texas – Virginia