

S-1075 Multistate Project
2026 Annual Meeting and the Symposium on Science and Technology Driving the Bioeconomy

Meeting Agenda and Logistics

1. **When:** July 9th – 10th, 2026.
2. **Where:** [UK Martin-Gatton Agricultural Sciences Building](#). 1312 Nicholasville Rd, Lexington, KY 40503
3. **Website:** <https://bae.mgcafe.uky.edu/s1075>
4. **Meeting Agenda:**

Day 1: July 9

8:00 – 8:25 am: Registration and Breakfast provided.

8:25 – 8:30 am: Brief welcome from Dr. James Matthews Associate Dean for Research, Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station, Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment

8:30 – 10:00 am: Short Introduction, invited speakers.

Speaker #1: Dr. Kaushlendra Tingi, National Program Leader, USDA NIFA Institute of Bioenergy Climate and Environment

Speaker #2: Dr. Tim Rials, Professor (Dept. of Forestry, Wildlife, and Fisheries) and Director of the Center for Renewable Carbon, and Associate Dean of AgResearch at The University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture

Speaker #3: BioMADE representative

Speaker #4: TBD (DOE representative?)

10:00 – 10:30 am: Coffee break

10:30 – 10:40 am: Updates on FY25/26 activities from Executives.

10:40 am – Noon: Station updates (2 – 3 minutes per station)

Noon – 1:45 pm: Lunch provided and student poster competition session 1.

1:45 – 2:45 pm: Business meeting (approve minutes, new business, election of 2027 new officers).

2:45 – 3:15 pm: Coffee break and student poster competition session 2

3:15 – 4:00 pm: Tour of [James B Beam Institute for Kentucky Spirits](#) (next door)

4:00 – 5:00 pm: Breakout sessions for special issue in Bioresource Technology brainstorming and research collaborations

5:00 - 7:00 pm: Evening dinner, socializing, and announce student poster awards

Day 2: July 10 (Optional)

8:00 – 8:15 am: Assemble in Orange Lot in front of CE Barnhart Building and drive (30 minutes) to first tour.

8:45 – 10:00 am: Tour of Center for Applied Energy Research (CAER), University of Kentucky

2540 Research Park Dr, Lexington, KY 40511

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10:00 am: Begin travel to next tour (30 minutes)

10:30 – 12:30: Tour of Alltech headquarters in Nicholasville, KY

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/MLpzArM8uDnwhnBM7>

(Emailed Chris Ginn 2/13/26, confirmed)

12:30 – 1:30 pm: Lunch at Connemara

<https://www.connemaragolfcourse.com/bills-saloon/>

1:30 – 2:00 pm: Return to UK

2:00 – 3:30 pm: Complete any remaining business

3:30 pm: Meeting adjourn

5. **Student travel awards:** We have applied for an NSF travel grant to support students to attend the meeting but we this support has not been confirmed. We will update you as soon as possible on the availability and procedures of disbursing funds.
6. **Registration fees:** The registration fee is **\$150** for in-person meeting attendees by June 19th, after that registration increases to **\$200. \$100** for virtual meeting attendees, no early bird. The registration fee will cover breakfast, lunch, tea/coffee, and dinner. The registration fee will also cover transportation and lunch if joining the tours on July 10. Registrants will receive a copy of the proceedings. All meeting attendees must register through the following link before July 9, 2026.
<https://bae.mgcafe.uky.edu/s1075>
7. **Station update:** All station representatives are expected to present their annual station updates (2-3 min per station). Please upload the slides through this link by **11:59 pm, July 8th, 2026**.
<https://forms.gle/8n8W3NtWNCdXAL5YA>
8. **Posters:** Poster presenters will present their posters in two sessions the morning and afternoon July 9th, 2026. Details on poster requirements will be shared subsequently.

9. **Hotel:** The official hotel for the S-1075 meeting is currently The Campbell House. We will reserve a block and rooms will be approximately \$134 per night. We will add more details later on the details of this hotel along with another close by if needed.

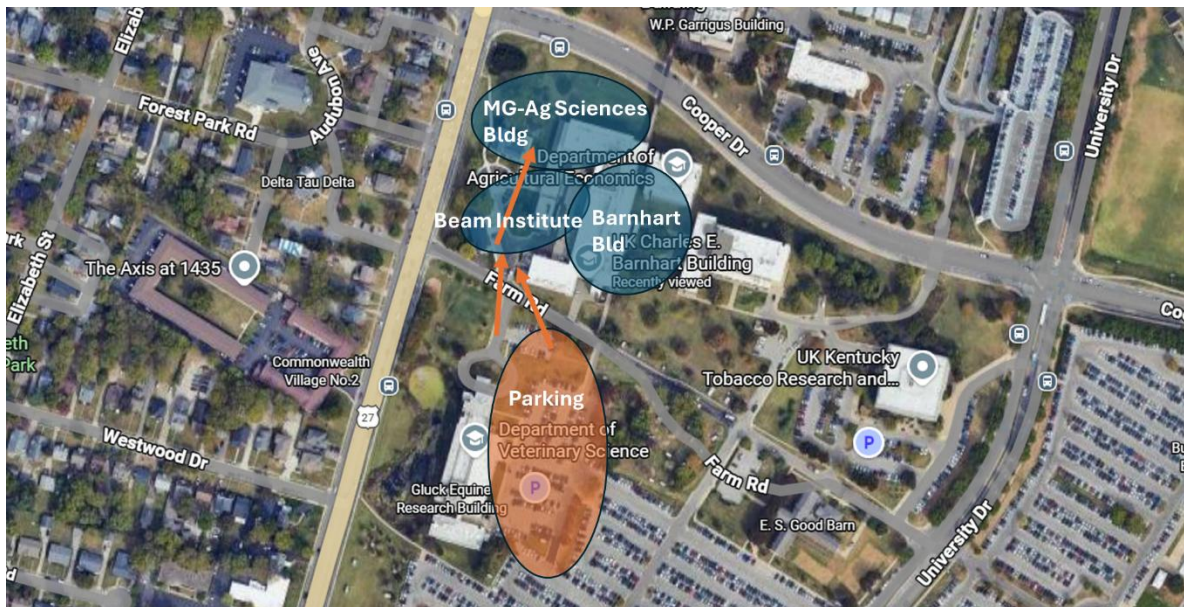
- The Campbell House Lexington, Curio Collection by Hilton, 1375 South Broadway Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40504 USA.
<https://www.thecampbellhouse.com/>

10. **Transportation:** Lexington Blue Grass Airport is approximately 15 minutes from the university and the hotels. Uber/Lyft and taxis are available curbside and there are seven rental car companies available.

- <https://www.bluegrassairport.com/ground-transportation/>
- <https://www.bluegrassairport.com/rental-cars/>

11. **Parking** is available on campus near all of the on-campus activities. The parking lot is called the “orange lot” and is just south of the College of Agriculture buildings. If you will be driving, please check the box indicating you need a parking permit on the registration and we will be in touch with you on parking arrangements closer to the conference. There are two entrances to the parking lot, one from Nicholasville Road, and the other from University Dr. Please be aware that Nicholasville Road has “[reversible lanes](#)” so pay close attention to the overhead signs.

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/9Y6FC8UJHa9vJrJEA>



12. **Proceedings:** The conference proceedings will be prepared by Kent Rausch and Mike Tumbleson and each participant will be given a hard-copy during the meeting.

13. **Station Reports:** Please submit your station report no later than **August 1st, 2026** via this link.

<https://forms.gle/nadCp8se4v5o8LxB6>

- 14. Special Issue in Bioresource Technology:** The journal Bioresource Technology is hosting a special issue for the symposium entitled “Collaborative Advances in the Science and Engineering of Circular Bioeconomy (S1075 Symposium 2026)”. More details on this will be announced at a later date.

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Looking forward to seeing you all in Lexington!