

The Southern Farm Show returns to the State Fairgrounds in Raleigh Feb. 2-4, featuring over 400 exhibitors, agricultural meetings, workshops and training, and everything farmers need to prepare for the coming growing season. This is the largest annual agricultural exposition in the Carolinas and Virginia.

Farm Show events of note:

- **Breakfast with the Commissioner Fundraiser:** The Tobacco Farm Life Museum will hold its annual Breakfast with the Commissioner Feb. 4 at 7:30 a.m. in the Holshouser Building at the show. The highlight of the event will be the presentation of the “Excellence in Agriculture” award by N.C. Commissioner of Agriculture Steve Troxler.

Proceeds from the breakfast assist the Tobacco Farm Life Museum in “preserving and presenting the history and heritage of the rural North Carolina farming community.”

- **Wake County Agribusiness Kick-off Breakfast:** Join the Wake County Agribusiness Breakfast on Feb 2 for the annual show kickoff breakfast. Held at 7:30am in the Hunt Horse Arena restaurant.
- **Meeting of the Tobacco Growers Association of North Carolina:** Members of the Tobacco Growers Association of North Carolina gather Feb. 4 in the Holshouser Building to learn the latest news surrounding tobacco and hear from industry experts and elected officials. For more details, visit the TBANC website.
- **NCD&CS Pesticide Training:** Join farmer, landscapers and others seeking NCD&CS pesticide continuing education credits Feb. 2 in the Holshouser Building. Two sessions - one at 9:30 a.m. and one at 10:45 a.m. - are offered. Check back before the show for details.
- **17th Annual Ag Development Forum:** The event will feature Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler's annual State of Agriculture address, an economic outlook, and discussions on other issues facing North Carolina agriculture. Takes place Feb. 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Gov. Holshouser Building at the N.C. State Fairgrounds in Raleigh.