Tuesday, February 2

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.  Registration and Coffee – Pope Industrial Technology Center Rotunda

10:30 a.m. - Noon  Welcome – Pope Teleconference Room 122
   Gary Hawkins, Conference Chairman
   Sparky Reeves, President, South Georgia Technical College
   Wally Summers, Vice President Economic Development Services, South Georgia Technical College

Opening Session - Pope Teleconference Room 122
   Moderator: Gary Hawkins
   • NRCS Conservation Programs & How to Be Ready to Participate – Jimmy Bramblett, NRCS Assistant State Conservationist – Programs

   • Meeting the Challenge of Glyphosate-Resistant Palmer Amaranth in Conservation Tillage – Bob Nichols, Cotton Incorporated Senior Director, Agronomic Research (Additional paper authors are: K. Balkcom, S. Culpepper, M. Marshall, D. Monks, M. Patterson, A. Price, and L. Steckel)

Noon - 1:00 p.m.  Lunch – Pope Teleconference Room 122
   Moderator: Gary Hawkins
   • Water Quality and the Role of Conservation Tillage – Julie Walden, 319 Project Manager, Georgia Environmental Protection Division

1:00 - 2:30 p.m.  Concurrent Sessions
   • Caterpillar Training Facility Tour – Limit 18 (Meet in the Rotunda)
     Moderator: Richard Barrett, USDA NRCS Resource Conservationist

   • Cattle Grazing, Sod-Based Rotations and Conservation Tillage – Room 112
     Moderator: Julia Gaskin, UGA Sustainable Agriculture Coordinator
     - Dennis Hancock, UGA Extension Forage Specialist
     - David Wright, UFL Agronomist
     - David Reckford, Flint River Basin Program Director

   • How to Manage Cover Crops – Room 122
     Moderator: Amanda Smith, UGA Extension Economist
     - Lamar Black, Jenkins County Georgia Farmer
     - Kip Balkcom, USDA, ARS Agronomist
     - Terry Harrell, Webster and Terrell County Georgia Farmer

   • Increase of Wildlife with Whole Farm Conservation – Room 102
     Moderator: Stan Moore, Coordinator, Seven Rivers RC&D
     - John Carroll, Professor, Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources
     - Nick Brown, Wildlife Biologist, GA Department of Natural Resources
     - John Cox, Lolly Creek Ecological Land Management and Restoration
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2:30 - 3:00 p.m. Break, Visit Exhibits and Posters – West Hallway, Pope Industrial Tech Center

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

- Caterpillar Training Facility Tour – Limit 18 (Meet in the Rotunda)
  Moderator: Newton Cloud, Program Manager, Golden Triangle RC&D

- Cattle Grazing, Sod-Based Rotations and Conservation Tillage – Room 112
  Moderator: Laura Griffeth, UGA Webster County Extension Coordinator
  - Dennis Hancock, UGA Extension Forage Specialist
  - David Wright, UFL Agronomist
  - David Reckford, Flint River Basin Program Director

  Moderator: Jim Dangler, USDA, NRCS State Agronomist
  - Andy Price, USDA, ARS Plant Physiologist
  - Ronnie Barentine, UGA Pulaski County Extension Coordinator
  - Barry Martin, Pulaski County Georgia Farmer
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- Conservation Tillage Systems Management: Crop Rotations, Cover Crops, Equipment Needs and Obstacles – Room 111
  Moderator: Julia Gaskin, UGA Sustainable Agriculture Coordinator
  - Jeff Deen, Appling County Georgia Farmer
  - Wilson Faircloth, USDA, ARS Agronomist
  - Bill Starr, UGA Sumter County Extension
  - Jeff Cook, UGA Taylor County Extension Coordinator

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Visit Exhibits and Posters – West Hallway, Pope Industrial Tech Center

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Georgia Conservation Tillage Alliance Annual Meeting – Room 122
(Open to all meeting participants)

6:00 p.m. Dinner Keynote – Windsor Hotel’s Americus-Sumter Room
Moderator: Gary Hawkins
- The Adoption of Conservation Tillage in the Cotton Belt (Southeastern US) – Dr. Wayne Reeves, Retired USDA, ARS Agronomist
Wednesday, February 3

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.  **Registration and Coffee** – Pope Industrial Technology Center Rotunda

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.  **Concurrent Sessions**

- Caterpillar Training Facility Tour – Limit 18 (Meet in the Rotunda)
  Moderator: Sherry Carlson, *USDA NRCS Soil Scientist*

- Carbon Sequestration & Going Green: Conservation and Bioenergy – Room 102
  Moderator: Adam Speir, *UGA Ag Pollution Prevention*
  - Alan Franzluebbers, *USDA ARS Ecologist*
  - Francisco Arriaga, *USDA ARS Soil Scientist*
  - Josh Love, *Georgia Forestry Commission*

  Moderator: Amanda Smith, *UGA Extension Economist*
  - Andy Price, *USDA, ARS Plant Physiologist*
  - Ronnie Barentine, *UGA Pulaski County Extension Coordinator*
  - Barry Martin, *Pulaski County Georgia Farmer*
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  - Bill Starr, *UGA Sumter County Extension*
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10:00 - 10:30 a.m. **Break, Visit Exhibits and Posters** – West Hallway, Pope Industrial Tech Center

10:30 a.m. - Noon  **Concurrent Sessions**

- Caterpillar Training Facility Tour – Limit 18 (Meet in the Rotunda)
  Moderator: Amanda Smith, *UGA Extension Economist*

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  Moderator: Stan Moore, *Coordinator, Seven Rivers RC&D*
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Noon  Box Lunch – Conference Evaluations, Questions – Room 122
       Moderators: Gary Hawkins, UGA Bio & Ag Engineering
                Stan Moore, Coordinator, Seven Rivers RC&D

12:45 p.m.  Depart for Field Demonstrations

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.  Field Demonstrations

• Jimmy Carter Plant Materials Center, Americus, GA
  o Native Warm Season Grasses
  o Wildlife Habitat
  o Silvopasture

• Hooks Hanner Environmental Resource Center, Dawson, GA
  o Long-term Conservation Tillage Land (+10 years)
  o Cover Crops
  o Rhizotrons
  o Conservation Tillage Equipment