

Sunday, February 2

- Tour welcome and social in the evening at the hotel
- Stay in Gilbert, Hampton Inn

Monday, February 3. Phoenix

- Morning
 - o Gilbert Riparian Preserve
 - o City of Chandler/Gila River Community
 - o Catered lunch at ASU's campus
- Afternoon
 - o Research tours and presentations from ASU faculty and departments
 - o Social: Desert Botanical Gardens
 - o Supper: Gertrude's in the Desert Botanical Gardens
 - o Stay in Gilbert, Hampton Inn

Tuesday, February 4. Phoenix and Maricopa

- Morning
 - o Tour with Salt River Project
 - o Lunch on the bus as we drive to Maricopa
- Afternoon
 - o Tours hosted by USDA Arid Lands Agricultural Research Center.
 - 1:30 – 2:30 at the cotton gin
 - 3:00 – 4:30 at the Ak-Chin community farms
 - Dinner in Maricopa, venue TBD
- Stay in Gilbert, Hampton Inn

Wednesday, February 5. Maricopa. Hosted by USDA ALARC

- Morning
 - o Drive from Gilbert hotel to Arizona Grain Mill
 - o 9:00 arrive at Arizona Grain Mill
 - o 10:00 leave Arizona Grain Mill, drive to ALARC (30 minutes)
 - o 10:30 Arrive at ALARC

- 11:00 Research presentations by USDA Arid Lands Agricultural Research Center
- 12:00 Lunch meeting hosted by USDA ALARC, discussions with invited farmers
- Afternoon
 - 1:30 Tour of ALARC facilities
 - 2:00 pm Drive to Yuma (2.5 hour drive)
 - Supper on your own in Old Town Yuma, walking distance from hotel
 - Stay in Yuma, Hilton Garden Inn Pivot Point

Thursday, February 6. Yuma. Hosted by Yuma Center of Excellence for Desert Agriculture

- Morning
 - 5:00 a.m. Early start to see farm workers entering the country (30-minute drive from hotel)
 - Breakfast burritos on the bus
 - Tour of farms and ag selected by YCEDA and YCAWC
 - 11:00 am catered lunch at Yuma Ag Center
- Afternoon
 - Continue tour to canals and Colorado River
 - 2:00 return to hotel
 - Down time for a few hours before supper
 - Group Supper at Chretien's Mexican Restaurant
- Stay in Yuma, Hilton Garden Inn Pivot Point

Friday, February 7. Yuma and Phoenix

- Leave the hotel early and head back to Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport (~3 hour drive)