



CAROLINA FEED
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NC STATE

Feed Milling

FEED EDUCATION WEEK



November 4-6, 2025
NCSU Feed Mill Education Unit
4001 Chi Rd, Raleigh, NC



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Lunch included
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TOPICS INCLUDE

- Explosion / Fire Prevention
- Nutrition Hour
- Data Integration In & Out of Feed Mills
- Biosecurity
- Employee Retention & Selection

HOTEL INFO:

Hampton Inn Raleigh/Cary
201 Ashville Avenue
Cary, NC 27518

\$115 Group Rate Ends Oct 21



SCHEDULE

Time	Topic	Speaker
7:45 a.m.	Coffee and light breakfast Networking	
8:15 a.m.	NC State Programs for New Hires	Adam Fahrenholz, Professor NC State
8:30 a.m.	Nutrition Hour	Charles Stark, VP of Feed Operations Country View Family Farms
9:30 a.m.	Break	
9:45 a.m.	Explosion Prevention	Christopher Ledbetter, Executive VP Industrial Access Bulk Materials
10:30 a.m.	Whole Grain and Meal Reclaim Systems and Their Safety	Laidig Systems, Inc.
11:00 a.m.	Open Discussion on Training Employees	Group
12 noon	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	Data Integration In & Out of Feed Mills	Zac Talken, Project Programmer Beta Raven
1:35 p.m.	Industry Update	Leah Wilkinson, Chief Policy Officer AFIA
2:15 p.m.	Break	
2:30 p.m.	Virus Outbreaks in Animal Protein Production	Matt Koci, Professor NC State
3:10 p.m.	Employee Retention and Selection Ideas, Stories	Jeff Taylor
4:00 p.m.	Hammermills v. Roller Mills	Andi Ogles, Roskamp Champion Applications – Grinding CPM
5:00 p.m.	Meeting Adjourn Group Tour of NC State Feed Mill Education Unit	Adam Fahrenholz & Team NC State

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- Phosphorus Mines and Plants
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9:00 a.m.	Break	
9:15 a.m.	Fires/ Explosions	Christopher Ledbetter, Executive VP Industrial Access Bulk Materials
10:00 a.m.	Silo Cleaning and Maintenance	Jim Conover Industrial Access Bulk Materials
10:35 a.m.	Break	
10:45 a.m.	Sustained Boiler Steam, Delivering Speed and Efficiency	Andy Nowak, President Condor Technologies, Inc.
11:15 a.m.	Phosphorus Mines and Plants	Eddy A. Fontana Mosaic
12 noon	Lunch	Pizza
1:00 p.m.	Liquid Flow Meter Troubleshooting and Hands-On Demo	Todd Goldsmith LSI
1:45 p.m.	Basics About Electric Controls: Fundamentals and Troubleshooting	Zach Talken, Project Programmer Beta Raven
2:25 p.m.	Break	
2:45 p.m.	Consolidated Electrical Distributors: Motor Control Center Education	Michael Johnson & Kevin High, Consolidated Electrical Distributors
3:05 p.m.	Real World Example: Hammermill Vibration Issue and Subsequent Fix	James Neal, JC Howard Farms
3:45 p.m.	Hammermill and Roller Mill Distinctions and their Maintenance	Andi Ogles, CPM Group Worldwide
4:15 p.m.	Maintenance Pictures – Good, Bad and Ugly	
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NC STATE FEED QA ROUNDTABLE

TUESDAY NOV 4

The QA roundtable was another addition to the 2022 program and we have decided to bring it back for the 2025 program with an entire day dedicated to QA. You don't have to miss any other parts of feed week to take part in this program because this year it has its own day! This is a discussion-based program based on industry-submitted topics. We will be joined by inspectors from the NCDA&CS to give a regulatory update and Q&A in the afternoon.

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Lunch Included
Per Participant: \$75
Sponsorship: \$100-\$500

Please note that CFIA Sponsor Registration is not included for this portion of the event.

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CFIA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INFO

THROUGH MAY 2026

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\$400 Basic Annual Membership
Sponsor Packages Available that also include Membership

SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITOR INFORMATION



This year we will have a Sponsorship Tent for snacks/refreshments and Exhibitor tables. If you interested in becoming a sponsor or exhibitor, more information can be found at www.carolinafeed.com

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