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ASC A300 Fall Meeting Notice and Agenda 2008

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For Tree Care Operations –

Tree, Shrub, and Other Woody Plant Management – *Standard Practices*

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Meeting Date and Time:

Tuesday, October 21st 2008, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM (lunch on your own)

Wednesday, October 22nd 2008, 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Thursday, October 23rd 2008, 7:30 AM – 11:00 AM (box lunch)

Thursday Afternoon, October 23rd 2008, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM. Insider's tour of **Mt. Vernon** with Dean Norton, Mt. Vernon Horticulturist. Afterwards we can walk the grounds on our own until 4 PM. No admission fee will be charged.

Please RSVP ASAP if you plan to attend the tour at Mt. Vernon.

Host Hotel: Embassy Suites – Old Town Alexandria (same as last fall's meeting)

1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria VA 22314

703-684-5900

http://embassysuites1.hilton.com/en_US/es/hotel/WASOTES-Embassy-Suites-Alexandria-Old-Town-Virginia/index.do

Rate: \$259.00 + tax

The room block is now available. Reservations may be made by calling 1-800-EMBASSY or 703-684-5900 and asking for Tree Care Industry Association Inc. rate. **Reservations must be made no later than 9/21/08.** After that, the hotel is under no obligation to honor the rate.

Meeting is scheduled to be held in the Carter Room (tentative)

AGENDA ASC A300 Fall Meeting 2008

Production Schedule as of 10'08:

1. Pruning 2008, Revision 2013
2. Fertilization 2004, Revision 2009 (**project initiated**)
3. Tree Support Systems 2006, Revision 2011
4. Lightning Protection Systems 2008, Revision 2013
5. Management of trees and shrubs during land use planning, site development, and construction, 2005, Revision due 2010 (**project initiated**)
6. Transplanting, 2005, Revision 2010 (**project initiated**)
7. IVM, 2006, Revision 2011
8. Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management, (**project initiated - Projected 2009 completion**)
9. Tree Risk Assessment, (**project initiated**)
10. Pest Management, (**not initiated**)

Agenda: October 21, 2008 (1:00 PM – 5:00 PM)

Item 1: Call to Order (1:00 PM – 1:30 PM)

- A.** Roll call and opening remarks.
- B.** Reading of ASC A300 Mission Statement: *To develop consensus performance standards based on current research and sound practice for writing specifications to manage trees, shrubs, and other woody plants.*
- C.** Review Spring '09 meeting tentatively set for March 17th to 19th, 2009 in Portland, OR. TCIA would like to invite the ASC A300 to Manchester, NH for the Spring meeting.

Meeting location source list:

Location (attended)	Cost (1-4)	Accessibility (1-4)	ASC members in region
Albuquerque	1	1	2
Alexandria (3x) (Fall'08)	3	2	7
Annapolis	4	2	7
Asheville	3	2	1
Austin	1	2	2
Charlotte	1	2	1
Chicago (2x)	2	1	2
Decatur	1	2	1
Denver	3	2	0 (2 at meeting)
Kansas City	1	2	2
Napa	4	4	2
Nebraska City	1	4	0
Philadelphia	1	1	4
Portland, OR (Spring'09)	4	1	0
Salt Lake City	2	1	0
Santa Fe	4	4	2
Savannah (2x)	3	3	1
Seattle	3	2	0
Williamsburg	4	3	7
Location (queue)	Cost estimate	Accessibility estimate	ASC members in region
Atlanta	2	1	1
Billings	1	4	0
Cleveland	2	2	2
Grand Rapids	1	2	2
Las Vegas	2	1	0
Manchester, NH	1	1	4
Minneapolis	2	2	2
Phoenix	2	1	2
Portland, ME	1	3	4
Reno	3	3	0
San Antonio	2	2	2
San Diego	4	1	2
San Francisco	4	1	2
Traverse City	1	4	2

- D.** Review ASC A300 Membership Roster and Subgroup membership, update and approve any changes.

- E. Review of A300 standards production/revision schedule.

Item 2: Review of ASC A300 Procedures (Draft 4 is the current, accredited procedures)
 Opportunity for questions, review, and revision (1:30 PM – 2:00 PM).

Item 3: ANSI A300 Part 1–2008, ANSI A300 Part 4–2008, Review changes in the new revisions. (2:00 PM – 2:30 PM)
 Suggestions for topics to be addressed in the next revision.

Item 4: Part 9 Tree Risk Assessment (2:30 PM – 5:00 PM)

- A. Report from **Subgroup N** Tree Risk Assessment. Scope: New assessment standard working document Don Zimar, Chair, Dane Buell, Ed Macie, Geoff Kempter, Matt Simons, Sharon Lilly, Tom Smiley, Gordon Mann, RJ Laverne, Members
- B. Review of the **Subgroup N** Part 9 *Tree Risk Assessment* working document 1.

Agenda: October 22nd, 2008 (7:30 AM – 5:00 PM)

Item 5: Call to order (7:30 AM – 7:45 AM)

- A. Roll call and opening remarks.
- B. Finalize Spring '09 meeting, set tentative Fall '09 meeting.

Item 6: Part 8 Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management (7:45 AM – 5:00 PM)

- A. Report from **Subgroup I** Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management. Scope: Root Management and soil modification working document. Bruce Hagen, Chair, Tom Smiley, Matt Simons, Ed Macie, Dane Buell, Gordon Mann, Geoff Kempter, Members.
- B. Review of the **Subgroup I** Part 8 *Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management* working document 8 (7:45 AM – 4:30 PM).
- C. **Vote to approve Subgroup I** Part 8 *Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management* working document 8 as **BSR A300 Part 8** *Root and Root Zone (Soil) Management* Draft 1 Version 1 and Public Review Period (4:30 PM – 5:00 PM).

Agenda: October 23rd, 2008 (7:30 AM – 11:00 AM)

Item 7: Call to order (7:30 AM – 7:45 AM)

- A. Roll call and opening remarks.

Item 8: Part 2 Fertilization (7:45 AM – 9:45 AM)

- A. Response to public review comments for **BSR A300 Part 2 Fertilization Draft 1 Version 1**

Item 9: Part 5 Management (9:45 – 10:45 AM)

- A. Report from **Subgroup D** Management of trees and shrubs during land use planning, site development, and construction. Scope: Management standards development initial recommendations. Gordon Mann, Chair (ASC A300 nominated), Matt Simons, Ed Macie, Anand Persad, Don Zimar.
- B. Review of the **Subgroup D** Part 5 *Management of trees and shrubs during land use planning, site development, and construction* working document 1.

Item 10: Part 6 Transplanting (10:45 – 11:00 AM)

- A. Planning for revision of Part 6.