

Alabama Southern Railroad Excursion

April 11th-13th 2025

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Friday, 11th

Set On

Set on location will be 2900 15th St. Tuscaloosa, Al.

Set on will be from 1pm -4pm. We will set on in the ABS yard, this is an active and very busy yard, safety vest, long pants and appropriate footwear must be always worn at all times. Please wait to be directed before setting on.

Excursion

Saturday, 12th

7am Set on for late arrivals, 8am safety meeting. We will traverse through the yard on to the Warrior sub, run to the end of the warrior sub, turn cars/restroom break and head back to the Tuscaloosa yard where we will break for lunch. After lunch we will proceed north going over the Black Warrior River Bridge (one of the longest wood trestles in the country at 3600 feet long) to Reform, Alabama, turn cars/restroom break. After break we will

proceed south making a stop in Northport to tour the old GM&O depot/museum. Then proceed south back into the yard and tie the cars down for the night. (75miles)

Sunday, 13th

7:30am Safety meeting, we will head through the yard towards the Warrior Sub, going over some street running also paralleling the NS mainline for a couple of miles. At Brookwood Jct. we will head off Warrior sub to the Brookwood sub and go across the Hurricane Creek trestle, at Peterson we will have a restroom break and turn the cars and head back to Tuscaloosa and set off. Hopefully be off the rails by 12:30-1pm. Total RTM 34, No lunch for Sunday.

Safety

YOU must be present and on time for the safety meetings to participate in the excursion! Safety vest, over the ankle rugged soled boots, long pants and safety glasses, must be worn at ALL times while on RR property. [NO TENNIS SHOES OR SANDALS]. ALL NARCOA rules apply.

Radios

Radios are not required but recommended. FCC compliant narrow band radios only. Radio channel will be given out at the safety meeting.

Food

Saturday, we will eat at a Bar B Q restaurant across the street from the railyard. Sunday will be no lunch.

Restrooms

We will be pulling a porta-potty behind one of the motorcars, it will be available for use at all stops.

Lodging

I was able to block 25 rooms at the Best Western University Inn, for \$89 plus tax a night. Ask for the discounted NARCOA MOTOR CAR GROUP rate. Phone # [205]556-9690, Address is 3801 McFarland Blvd. Tuscaloosa Al. Cutoff date for the discounted rate is April 4, 2025.

Registration

If you would like to sign up, please email me to get on the list. I will be sending out a welcome letter and registration form in mid-March. Run fee is \$160.00, there is a 20 car limit for this excursion. No mentoring for this run.

Contact Information

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If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or Jonathan.

Other

Please know that the Alabama Southern is a very busy railroad, with that in mind please be flexible, the above

times and milage may change depending on rail traffic.
This is a SERO affiliate excursion, Thank you.