

News from the Savannah River Site

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SRS Public Tours: Decades of Inspiring History, Cold War Defense, Nuclear Operations and Miles of Pristine Wilderness

AIKEN, S.C. (Jan. 8, 2015) – Registration is now open for the Savannah River Site's (SRS) 2015 public tour program. More than 1,000 seats are available during 22 tours to be held throughout the year at the Department of Energy site near Aiken, S.C.

Traveling within large and comfortable commercial buses, driving tours provide members of the public with an opportunity to see many of the historic and operational facilities at SRS that were responsible for the production of plutonium and tritium during the Cold War with the Soviet Union. Tour participants also learn about the site's current activities and future missions.

In 1972, SRS was designated as the first National Environmental Research Park. Encompassing 300 square miles, endangered bald eagles and red-cockaded woodpeckers can be found at several locations throughout the site. SRS is also home to alligators, white-tailed deer, wild turkeys, otters and many other animal species. The tour concludes with a stop at the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory where the mission of the lab is explained and several types of animals are presented.



More than 1,000 seats will be available during 22 tours to be held throughout 2015 at the Savannah River Site near Aiken, S.C.

Today, SRS is a key DOE industrial facility responsible for stewardship of the environment, while managing nuclear materials in support of our nation's national defense and U.S. nuclear non-proliferation efforts. The site also develops and deploys environmental cleanup technologies, responsible for treating nuclear and hazardous wastes left from the Cold War.

Each tour starts at the Aiken County Applied Research Center, part of the Savannah River National Laboratory, located off Highway 278, near New Ellenton and are free to members of the public.

To register, visit www.srs.gov/general/tour/public.htm. If you experience difficulty registering online, call (803) 952-9472.

Each tour begins at 12:30 p.m. and typically ends at 4:30 p.m., accommodating up to 50 people. Participants must be 18 years of age or older and U.S. citizens.

Seats are limited to two individuals per reservation. Seats are filled on a first come, first served basis, though larger groups can be accommodated by calling (803) 952-9472.

2015 SRS Public Tour Dates

January	29	July	9, 21
February	10, 24	August	11, 25
March	12, 31	September	10, 29
April	16, 28	October	8, 27
May	12, 26	November	10
June	9, 23	December	10

The tour program at SRS is managed by Savannah River Nuclear Solutions as the site's management and operating contractor.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions is a Fluor-led company whose members are Fluor Federal Services, Newport News Nuclear and Honeywell, responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site, including the Savannah River National Laboratory, located near Aiken, South Carolina.

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