

**2026 RANC Annual Conference Agenda
May 17-19, 2026**

Sunday May 17 th		
12:00pm-5:00pm	Registration & Exhibit Set-up	
6:30pm-9:00pm	Opening Reception & Dinner	Grandover Ballroom
Monday May 18 th		
6:30 AM-8:00 AM	BREAKFAST	
7:00am-11:00am	Registration	
8:00am	Welcome & Safety Briefing	Adam Boyles- RJ Corman Railroad, RANC President
8:10am-8:35am	NS/UP Merger & ASLRRA updates	Nicole Brewin, VP Congressional Affairs ASLRRA
8:35am-9:15am	Abandoned Rail Spurs	Scott Saylor-Attorney, Dylan Reel-Attorney/Lobbyist, TBD
9:15am-9:30am	Lobbyist Report	Dylan Reel -RANC Lobbyist
9:30am-10:15am	Introduction to Shortline Safety Institute	Sam Cotton, Shortline Safety Institute
10:15am-10:45am	BREAK	
10:45am-11:15am	NC State Port News	Hans Bean, NC State Port Authority
11:15am-12:00pm	NC Legislative Panel	TBD
12:00 PM-1:15 PM	LUNCH	Special Guest Speaker Chris Chung, Chief Executive Officer EDPNC
1:15pm-1:35pm	Introduction of New Members & Sponsors	Michelle Hollowell, RANC Executive Director
1:35pm-2:20pm	NCDOT Rail Division Updates & Grants	Jason Orthner & Neil Perry, NCDOT Rail Division
2:20pm-2:45pm	Railroad Retirement: Are you ready?	Tony Haynes, Railroad Retirement Board
2:45pm-3:00pm	Rail Technical Assistance Program	Daniel Findley, NC State University & Gledi Softa, North Carolina Railroad Company
3:00pm	Closing Remarks	Kim Albritton, Great Smokey Mountain Railroad, RANC Vice President
3:00pm	RANC Railroad Business Meeting	
3:00pm	Associate Member Meeting - - Vote on Executive Committee Member	
4:00pm	RailTAP Advisory Board Meeting	
5:30pm	Shuttle to Top Golf	
6:00pm-8:00pm	Top Golf Event	
Tuesday May 19 th		
8:00am	Golf Tournament	Grandover Golf Course
1:30pm	Tournament Award Ceremony	