

# NCARPO Quarterly Meeting | Brevard, NC July 28-29, 2016

## Meeting Hotel

Hampton Inn, Pisgah Forest  
275 Forest Gate Dr.  
Brevard, NC 28768  
828-883-4800

## Meeting Site

Transylvania County Library  
212 Gaston Street,  
"Rogow Room"  
Brevard, NC 28768  
828-884-3151



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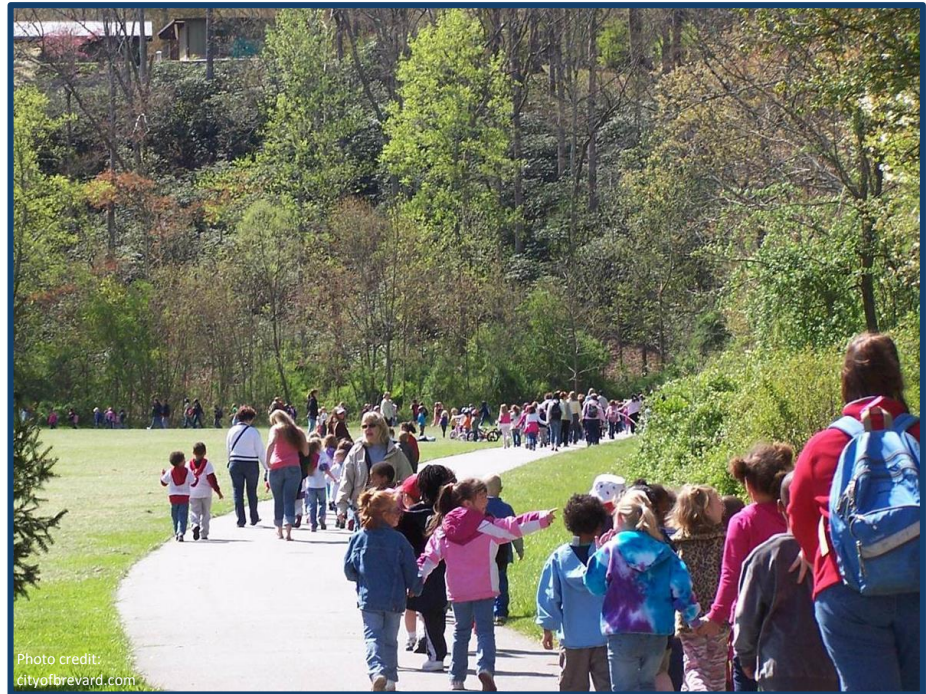


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## Brevard-Area Tour | Thursday, 10am

Will **depart** from the **Hampton Inn** at **10am** to tour the existing and planned Bike and Pedestrian facilities in the City of Brevard. The tour will be led by Josh Freeman, City of Brevard, Community Development/Special Projects Director. We will first visit Pisgah National Forest to see the termination of the shared use path connecting the forest to Brevard's downtown. From there, we will visit the site of a new transportation construction project, "The Davidson River Connector Project," which will provide access to the former Ecusta Paper Mill property. The current property owners have plans to develop this as a mixed use site.

The tour continues on to neighborhoods and businesses connected to the greenway, including the permanent count site that ITRE installed last fall as part of a research project on the economic contribution of shared use paths, sponsored by NCDOT. We will visit the trailhead and parking area of Bracken Preserve, a 395-acre property owned by the City of Brevard. This area was opened to the public in July of 2012. Bracken has bike and hiking trails, a parking area, and picnic tables. It is adjacent to Pisgah National Forest and its trails connect to Forest Service Road 475-C.



The tour will wrap-up downtown and if time permits we will briefly visit the Tannery Property. This city-owned property is the future site of a town park with various recreation activities available, including a walking path that will eventually connect to the existing greenway system.

[Click for Bracken Preserve Map](#)

## Lunch | Thursday

Enjoy lunch at a location of your choosing. There are many great options in the downtown area. The tour will end at 11:30am, and the Executive Committee, Admin Documents Committee, and NCDOT TPB staff will have a lunch meeting at the City of Brevard, City Hall to allow time for discussions before the main meeting.



## NCARPO Meeting | Thursday, 1:30pm

The meeting will take place at the Transylvania County Library, located at: 212 Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28768, 828-884-3151. Preliminarily, the meeting is scheduled to begin at 1:30pm and end at 5:30pm.

## Dinner | Thursday, 6:30pm

Dinner reservations are for 6:30pm at Jamie's Creole Brasseries, 44 E. Main Street, Brevard, NC 28712, 828-883-3388. The van will leave the Library following the meeting and return to the hotel. We will depart the hotel **promptly** at 6:15pm in order to make it back on time. The van will return to the hotel following dinner. There are many different options for after dinner gatherings.

## Morning Meeting | Friday, 8:45am

It is my understanding that the Friday morning meeting will begin at 8:45 and end at 11:30. The meeting room is reserved until 12:00, including cleanup.

# Recreation in the Brevard Area

There are many opportunities for recreation in and around City of Brevard and Transylvania County. I encourage you to stay and visit some of these.

**Brevard Music Center** | Celebrating 80 years with a summer music festival.

<https://www.brevardmusic.org/festival/>

## Local Breweries

Brevard Brewing <http://www.brevard-brewing.com/>

Oskar Blue's <https://www.oskarblues.com/>

Sierra Nevada Brewing [20-minute drive] <http://www.sierranevada.com/brewery/north-carolina/brewery>

Bold Rock Hard Cider [15 minute drive] <http://www.boldrock.com/mills-river/>

## Cycling

Both road or mountain biking is excellent and plentiful. Some suggested routes:

<http://brevardnc.com/play/road-biking-transylvania-county/>

<http://brevardnc.com/category/play/bike/>



## Hiking + Waterfalls

Brevard Hiking:

<http://brevardnc.com/category/play/hike-and-run/>

Brevard Waterfalls:

<http://brevardnc.com/category/play/waterfalls/>

Pisgah National Forest:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/nfsnc/recarea/?recid=48114>

DuPont State Forest [15 minute drive]:

<http://ncforestservice.gov/Contacts/dsf.htm>

Gorges State Park [30 minute drive]:

<http://www.ncparks.gov/gorges-state-park>

