

Tentative Overview Agenda of the Romanian – Moldovan Agribusiness Delegation to California
on the occasion of World Ag Expo, Tulare, California
(February 8 – 18, 2020)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2020:

- Departure from Romania & Visit of the Romanian – American Community in Los Angeles

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2020:

- Agribusiness Tour of Kern County Water Agency for a presentation of the Cross-Valley Water Canal
- Visit of the Heart of Nature producer of natural nutrients for plant protection in Bakersfield
- Field Trip to tour the Friant-Kern Water Canal & the Terra Bella Irrigation District in Terra Bella

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 2020:

- Participation in World Ag Expo in Tulare with optional professional agribusiness tours

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, 2020:

- Participation in World Ag Expo in Tulare with optional professional agribusiness tours
- Fresno, California – Galati, Romania Sister City Agreement's Signatory Ceremony in Fresno City Hall

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH, 2020:

- Field Trip to tour the US Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation's Mid-Pacific Region – South-Central California Area Office's Friant Dam on the San Joaquin River in Sierra Nevada
- Visit of the Hilmar Cheese Company's Visitor Center in Hilmar
- Tours of Rubicon Water's Office in Modesto & its canal gates in Hilmar & Oakdale Irrigation District

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2020:

- Field Trip to the Yosemite National Park
- Tour of San Francisco Area

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, 2020:

- Visit of the Romanian – American Community in San Francisco
- Tour of the Pacific Coast from San Francisco to Los Angeles

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 2020:

- Visit of the Romanian Consulate in Los Angeles & Departure from USA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020:

- Arrival in Romania

Detailed Travel Agenda for a Romanian – Moldovan Agribusiness Delegation to California
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DAY 1 – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 2020:

Morning Departure from Henri Coanda International Airport, Otopeni - Ilfov, Romania
Late afternoon Arrival in California on Los Angeles International Airport & Transfer by van/bus to LA
Evening Check-in at a minimum 4* hotel with breakfast included in Los Angeles, CA

DAY 2 – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2020:

Morning Departure by van/bus from the hotel to meet the Romanian – American Orthodox Community in Los Angeles at the “Holy Trinity” Romanian Orthodox Church: 3315 Verdugo Road, Los Angeles, CA 90065, <http://biserica.org/ro/desprenoi/index.htm>
Noon Transfer by van/bus for a panoramic tour of LA with English-speaking driver & guide including the following suggested points of interest: Santa Monica and Beverly Hills, Hollywood for a walk down Hollywood Boulevard with legendary Grauman’s Chinese Theatre with handprints of stars in the cement, and/or other tourism attractions.
Evening Arrival by van/bus to the hotel in LA

DAY 3 – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2020:

Early Morning Check-out from hotel in LA & Departure by van/bus from LA to visit Kern County Water Agency for a presentation of the Cross-Valley Water Canal Project & Kern County’s Water Facilities: 3200 Rio Mirada Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93308, www.kcwa.com
Noon Visit & Luncheon with Heart of Nature Company: 34710 7th Standard Rd., Bakersfield, CA 93314, www.heartofnature.biz
Afternoon Transfer by van/bus to visit Friant Water Authority operating Friant-Kern Water Canal & Terra Bella Irrigation District at the intersection of Avenue 96 and Road 208 in Terra Bella (21230 Avenue 96, Terra Bella, CA 93270), www.friantwater.org
Evening Transfer by van/bus & Check-in at a minimum 3* hotel with breakfast included in Tulare or Fresno or other town between these two locations as recommended by World Ag Expo’s organizers: www.worldagexpo.com/lodging-24

DAY 4 – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2020:

Early Morning Departure by van/bus from the hotel to World Ag Expo, Tulare: www.worldagexpo.com
7:45 Arrival at World Ag Expo: 4500 South Laspina Str., Tulare, CA (Daily Admission Fee: \$15)
8:00 – 9:15 Opening Ceremonies & Awards Ceremony in the Banquet Hall:
https://wae20.mapyourshow.com/7_0/sessions/session-details.cfm?ScheduleID=8
10:00 – 15:15 Optional Agribusiness Tour: Kings River & Fresno State Vineyards and Wineries (\$55 – Lunch provided by the venue): www.worldagexpo.com/ag-tours
10:00 – 17:00 Optional B2B meetings with potential US agribusiness partners in the International Business Center is located on Median and S Streets, near Building C.
17:00 Transfer by van/bus from World Ag Expo to Tulare Outlets Center: 1407 Retherford Str., Tulare, CA 93274, www.tulareoutletcenter.com
Evening Transfer by van/bus from Tulare Outlets Center to the hotel

DAY 5 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 2020:

Early Morning Departure by van/bus from the hotel to World Ag Expo, Tulare: www.worldagexpo.com

8:45 Arrival at World Ag Expo: 4500 South Laspina Str., Tulare, CA (Daily Admission Fee: \$15)
9:00 – 17:00 Optional visits of US exhibitors at their booths and/or US visitors at the International Business Center is located on Median and S Streets, near Building C.
9:30 – 13:30 Optional Agribusiness Tour: Lake Kaweah/Terminus Dam and J&S Orchards (\$45 – box lunch selection): www.worldagexpo.com/ag-tours
17:00 Transfer by van/bus from World Ag Expo to River Park Shopping Center: 71 East Via La Plata, Fresno, CA 93720, www.shopriverpark.com
Evening Transfer by van/bus from River Park Shopping Center to the hotel

DAY 6 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, 2020:

Early Morning Departure by van/bus from the hotel to World Ag Expo, Tulare: www.worldagexpo.com
8:45 Arrival at World Ag Expo: 4500 South Laspina Str., Tulare, CA (Daily Admission Fee: \$15)
9:00 – 14:30 Optional visits of US exhibitors at their booths and/or US visitors at the International Business Center is located on Median and S Streets, near Building C.
10:15 – 15:00 Optional Agribusiness Tour: Dairy Tour - Elkhorn and Top O' the Morn Farms (\$45 – box lunch selection): www.worldagexpo.com/ag-tours
14:30 / 15:00 Transfer by van/bus from World Ag Expo to visit Fresno City Hall: 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721, www.fresno.gov
15:30 “Fresno, California – Galati, Romania” Sister City Agreement’s Signatory Ceremony followed by a Sister City Reception in the presence of the mayors of both cities and with the participation of Romanian & Moldovan delegates & American business partners based in Fresno
Evening Transfer by van/bus from Fresno City Hall to the hotel

DAY 7 – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH, 2020:

Morning Check-out from the hotel & Departure for Friant Dam
8:30 – 10:30 Arrival by van/bus & visit of the US Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation’s Mid-Pacific Region - South-Central California Area Office: 1243 N Street Fresno, CA 93721, www.usbr.gov/mp/sccao and Friant Dam on the upper San Joaquin River in the Sierra Nevada foothills of Fresno County: 18015 Friant Dam Road, Friant, CA 93626 www.usbr.gov/projects/index.php?id=133
10:30 Transfer by van/bus from Friant to Hilmar
12:00 – 13:30 Arrival & luncheon at Hilmar Cheese Company’s Visitor Center: 9001 North Lander Ave. Hilmar, CA 95324, www.hilmarcheese.com/visitor_center
13:30 Transfer by van/bus to Rubicon Water’s automated irrigation canal gates in operation around Geer Ave, Hilmar & Rubicon Water’s Californian Office: 2318 Tenaya Drive, Modesto CA 95354, www.rubiconwater.com
14:30 – 15:30 Tour & Presentation of Rubicon Water Company
15:30 Transfer by van/bus from Modesto to Oakdale
16:00 – 17:00 Visit of Rubicon Water’s automated irrigation canal gates operated by the Oakdale Irrigation District: 1205 East F Street, Oakdale CA 95361, www.oakdaleirrigation.com
17:00 Transfer by van/bus from Oakdale to the Old Western Mariposa Town
Evening Arrival & Check-in at a minimum 3 or 4* hotel with breakfast included in Mariposa

DAY 8 – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2020:

Morning Check-out from the hotel & Departure from Mariposa to Yosemite National Park “Visit Yosemite” Tour of the Mariposa County Tourism Bureau, www.yosemite.com

Noon Visit of & Luncheon in the Yosemite National Park & Transfer to San Francisco
Afternoon Panoramic tour by van/bus of San Francisco Area with English-speaking driver & guide including the following suggested points of interest: Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown, Nob Hill, North Beach, Haight Ashbury, Golden Gate, Lombard Street, Twin Peaks, Marin Headlands, Alcatraz Island, Sausalito and/or other local tourism attractions
Evening Arrival & Check-in at a minimum 4* hotel with breakfast included in San Francisco

DAY 9 – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, 2020:

Early Morning Check out from the hotel & Transfer by van/bus from the hotel to meet the American Orthodox Community in the Cathedral of “The Holly Virgin Mary” and “The Saint John Maximovici of San Francisco”: 6210 Geary Boulevard, San Francisco, CA 94121, www.sfsobor.com
Afternoon Departure by van/bus from San Francisco & tour of the Pacific Coast
Evening Check-in at a minimum 3 or 4* hotel with breakfast included on the Pacific Coast

DAY 10 – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 2020:

Morning Check-out from the hotel & Transfer by van/bus to Los Angeles
Noon Visit of the Romanian Consulate in Los Angeles & Lunch in the town
Afternoon Transfer to Los Angeles International Airport & Departure from USA

DAY 11 – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020:

Arrival in Romania