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Dear Expedition Member,

Welcome to the Southeastern Paleoamerican Survey's Allendale Paleoamerican Expedition. We are certainly looking forward to having you participate this year and hope this will be an exciting learning opportunity for us all.

Enclosed find a list of things to bring and some rules for the dig. Also, there is a map showing the location of Clariant Corporation in South Carolina (our host's plant site), and directions to Clariant. Upon your arrival at the plant, enter and park in the large paved parking lot on the left. Follow the sidewalk to the security office and sign in. It is extremely important that you sign in and out each time you arrive and exit the plant.

Our campsite is located approximately half a mile south of the parking lot. As you leave the parking lot, turn left on to the paved service road, continue on it past the railroad tracks for approximately another one quarter mile; turn right on to the service road leading into the picnic shelter area, which serves as our base camp.

Plan to arrive on the Sunday before the dig begins, please get your tent set up during daylight if at all possible and secure your gear. Make sure your tent is not pitched where cars will be driving. Field Operations Coordinator, Tom Pertierra will be there around 5:00 PM to welcome you, present a short campsite orientation and answer any questions. You will also need to sign two claims release forms that evening, one for Clariant and one for the University of South Carolina. Everyone is on their own for the Sunday evening meal. Bring an ice chest with a good lid for your dry foods. (There are "industrious" little squirrels there that love fruit, bread, crackers and Twinkies.)

Everyone is on their own for breakfast each day. There are refrigerators for your perishables. For breakfast cooking there is an electric oven available as well as a microwave and a bagel toaster. Lunch and the evening meals are provided.

Clariant Corporation is our gracious host. They own the site we are excavating and have been most generous to let us work there and use their employee recreation facility for our base camp. After you get set up at the camp ground, please stay there and do not go out elsewhere on Clariant property, unless you

are accompanied by a member of our staff. We are camping in a spacious recreation facility which is ours to use and enjoy.

Operations begin at 8:30 AM, Monday with a formal group orientation inside the picnic shelter. Immediately following, everyone will proceed to the dig site for an introduction to excavation procedures and a site tour. At 11:30 AM everyone will return to base camp for lunch. After lunch, we return to the site and begin excavating until 4:00 PM.

Tuesday – Friday lunch will be eaten on-site; everyone needs to prepare their own lunch (we supply the fixings) and place it in the designated lunch cooler by 8:15 AM each morning. Soft drinks and ice water are furnished on-site. We depart for the dig-site at 8:30 AM. The dig shuts down for the weekend after lunch (at the picnic shelter) on Saturday.

On behalf of the entire staff of the Southeastern Paleoamerican Survey and the S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, we are excited that you'll be joining us during this season's excavation and look forward to having your participation.

Sincerely,

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## HOW TO GET TO THE DIG SITE IN ALLENDALE COUNTY, S.C.

The site is located on private land owned by a chemical company named Clariant. Clariant property is in western Allendale County, S.C., a couple of miles south of a tiny town called Martin. The property and the site are near the Savannah River a little more than half way up the Savannah River between Savannah, GA. and Augusta, GA. The closest major U.S. highway is U.S. 301 which runs through the town of Allendale, SC. Travel time by car is about 2 hours south of Columbia, SC, about 1.5 hours southeast of Augusta, GA.



If coming from the north on I-77 through Columbia, get on I-26 then get off I-26 south of Columbia onto U.S. 321. Take U.S. 321 south to just south of Swansea, then turn off onto SC 3. Stay on SC 3 all the way to Barnwell, SC. Take SC south out of Barnwell until it hits SC 125. Turn right onto SC 125 and go about 3 or 4 miles until you see a little sign that says Martin. Stay to the left and you will terminate at SC 102. There will be a Volunteer Fire Department building to your right next to a rail road track. That intersection is Martin! When you terminate at SC 102, turn left or south and go about 1 mile till you see the front gate and road leading into Clariant.

If coming from the north on I-95, work your way west to the town of Allendale. Take SC 125 west out of the town of Allendale for about 10 miles till you see a little sign that says Martin. The road terminates quickly at SC 102. Take a left on 102 for a mile till you see the front gate and sign leading into Clariant.

If coming from the northwest from the Augusta, GA - Aiken, SC area, go southeast through the Savannah River Plant on SC 125 till you cross the Lower

Three Runs Creek bridge. Turn to the right immediately after crossing the bridge onto SC 102. You are now in Martin, a single country grocery store. Stay on SC 102 for about a mile till you see the front gate of Clariant.

If coming from the south on U.S. 301, cross the Savannah River into South Carolina. Take SC 3 to the left and go till it hits SC 125. Turn left onto 125, go 3 or 4 miles till you see the sign for Martin. Go to the left and you will terminate soon at SC 102. This is Martin, little grocery store on your right. Take a left on SC 102, go about a mile and you'll see entrance to Clariant.

If coming from the south on I-95, get off at Hardeeville, SC and go north on U.S. 321 until you reach Fairfax, SC. At Fairfax, get on SC 125 heading left or northwest. Go through the town of Allendale on SC 125. From Allendale, go about 10 miles on 125 till you see a little sign that says Martin. Stay to the left and you will shortly terminate at SC 102. Turn left, go about a mile and turn into the gate of Clariant.

For those that are flying, the closest airports are in Augusta, Ga., Savannah, Ga., and Columbia, SC. The site is from 1 to 2 hours drive by car from these cities.

There are three motels to choose from in Barnwell. All are approximately a twenty-five minute drive from the plant.

The Winton Inn – 803- 259-7181  
The Carolina Lodge - 803-259-2014  
The Days Inn – 803-541-5000



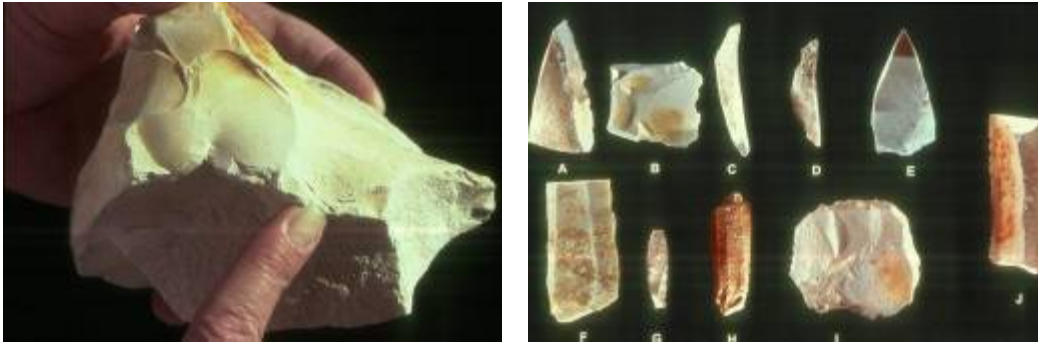
## WHAT TO BRING ON THE EXCAVATION

1. Each person camping is responsible for their own tent and bedding. Make sure you have a tent with a mosquito net and a waterproof floor. An air mattress or foam pad will help too. Bring a sleeping bag or heavy blanket if it gets cold during the night. Campfires are not allowed.
2. Each person is responsible for their breakfast. A refrigerator, stove, and microwave are available for breakfast preparation. Ice water will be provided at the dig site.
3. Wear comfortable cotton clothes for digging and camp life. A sweater, windbreaker etc. may come in handy in the evening and for cool days. Wear sneakers, docksider-type shoes for digging; **Avoid boots with heavy treads that leave tracks on the excavation floor!** Bring enough clothes to last 5 days. Also, bring towels, wash clothes etc. for your bathing.
4. Bring some work gloves for digging. The chert flakes are sharp!
5. Wear sneakers, or other hard-sole slip on shoes to walk in the camp at night. Snakes have been known to pass through the campsite.
6. Bring insect repellent, especially for chiggers, mosquitoes and flies.
7. Bring a hat suitable for working in the sun and sun-screen
8. Digging tools will be provided. You don't need to bring any tools unless you have a favorite trowel or pocket knife.
9. You may bring your camera if you desire.

## PLEASE DO NOT

1. Roam around Clariant Corporation property. Please stay in the recreation facility when we are not out at the site.
2. Please do not bring firearms or any form of illegal substances to the expedition.
3. Please do not bring any pets to the expedition. They may bother other people, they can interfere with the excavation, and there is a 6 foot alligator who lives in the creek next to the site. Alligators love pets, especially dogs, and we do not want to attract it.

4. Please do not throw uneaten lunch food in the creek. This will draw the alligator to the site. We have to install water pumps in the creek so we must work near his habitat.
5. Please, no campfires allowed at any time.
6. Please do not use photographs or any images from a video camera for other than your personal use and enjoyment. Any publication or advertisement using photos or video film relating to the Southeastern Paleoamerican Survey Allendale Paleoamerican Expedition taken by anyone other than SCIAA staff must have the permission of SCIAA.



The Topper discovery has received national and international attention from CNN, U.S. News and World Report, The National Geographic, PBS Scientific American Frontiers, the New York Times, Scientific American and Science Magazine. The Topper site offers an exciting opportunity to participate and experience multi-disciplinary archaeological field work seeking answers to the fascinating questions surrounding the peopling of the Americas.

Come and join in the adventure . . . .