



**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
CERCLA Education Center
Remedial Process
October 2 through 6, 2023**



Schedule of Events

The *Remedial Process* training will be held Monday, October 2, through Friday, October 6, 2023, at the EPA Region 4 office in Atlanta, Georgia. The training will be held in the Augusta/Atlanta Conference Rooms, located on the 3rd floor of the building. The training begins at 8:30 a.m. local time on Monday and ends at 12:00 p.m. local time on Friday. Please plan your travel accordingly.

The EPA Region 4 office is located at:

AFC Building

61 Forsyth Street, Southwest

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

<https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/visiting-epas-region-4-office-atlanta>

Please note: The training will be held at the EPA Region 4 office in Atlanta. A sleeping room block has been established at Homewood Suites by Hilton Atlanta Buckhead Pharr Road, which is located approximately 8.2 miles from the EPA Region 4 building, an approximately 30-minute drive depending on traffic or 33-minute travel time by train, which includes an approximate 15-minute walk to the train station from the hotel. For those driving to the training, parking is available in the parking lot on Alabama Street or behind the AFC on Madison Street. Parking rates vary.

Homewood Suites by Hilton Atlanta Buckhead Pharr Road

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540 Pharr Road NE

Atlanta, GA 30305

(404) 842-0800

For additional information about the hotel, visit:

www.homewoodsuites.com/atlantabuckheadpharrroad

Sleeping Room Reservations

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Homewood Suites by Hilton Atlanta Buckhead Pharr Road in Atlanta, Georgia. The lodging rate is \$144 per night plus sales tax and fees. Reservations need to be made before **Thursday, September 7, 2023**, to receive the rate.

The rate includes complimentary wireless internet in guest rooms, a daily hot breakfast buffet, a Wednesday evening social, and self-parking.

To make your sleeping room reservation by telephone, please call 404-842-0800 and be sure to mention the “**EPA – Remedial Process**” room block when making your reservation. To make your reservation online, go to www.homewoodsuites.com/atlantabuckheadpharrroad. Enter your check-in and check-out dates. Click special rates and under Group Code, enter EPA. Click Check Rooms and Rates to continue your reservation.

You are responsible for cancelling your hotel reservation if you cannot attend. **The hotel requires a notice of cancellation 24 hours prior to your scheduled arrival.** If you fail to provide notice, one night’s lodging and tax will be charged to your credit card.

Hotel check-in begins after 3:00 p.m. and check-out time is at 12:00 p.m.

What to Pack for the Atlanta Area

October temperatures range from 51°F at night to 73°F during the day. Please be advised that the temperatures in the training room do not reflect temperatures outside. Be sure to pack a jacket or sweater to wear while you attend the training.

Dining

Included in the room rate is a daily hot breakfast buffet and a Wednesday evening social.

There are dining options in the surrounding area.

Health, Fitness and Recreation

The hotel offers a fitness center and an indoor pool.

Travel Information

The Atlanta area is served by the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), approximately 13 miles away from the hotel. Additional information about ATL is available at <https://www.atl.com/>.

Atlanta, Georgia is in the Eastern Time Zone.

Ground Transportation

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) provides public transportation throughout the Atlanta metro area. The train fares are \$2.50 each way plus the cost of \$1.00 for a single-use Breeze ticket or \$2.00 for a re-usable Breeze Card. MARTA operates weekdays from 4:45 a.m. until 1:00 a.m. and on weekends from 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Two MARTA stops are within an approximate 15 to 19-minute walk to the hotel – Buckhead Station and Lindbergh Center Station. When arriving at ATL, follow the Ground Transportation signs to MARTA. The entrance to MARTA's Airport Station is located inside the western end of the airport's main terminal. The fare gates are just a few feet from the baggage claim areas. You can take the red line or the gold line. For the red line – take the red line towards North Springs and depart at the Buckhead Station. To get to the hotel from Buckhead Station, an approximately 15-minute walk, follow the station exit to Peachtree Road and head west. At Maple Drive Northeast, turn left (south). Follow for approximately 0.4 miles and turn left (east) on Pharr Road Northeast. For the gold line – take the gold line towards Doraville and depart at the Lindbergh Center Station. The Lindbergh Center Station is an approximate 19-minute walk to the hotel. Exit the station and turn right on Morosgo Drive Northeast. Take a slight left on to Piedmont Road Northeast. Follow for approximately 0.9 miles and turn left on Pharr Road Northeast.

To get to the EPA Region 4 Office via the train from the hotel, walk to either station – Buckhead Station for the red line or Lindbergh Center Station for the gold line. Take the train (red or gold) towards the Airport Station and depart at Five Points Station. The Five Points Station is almost adjoining to the EPA office building. Exit the station on to Forsyth Street SW and follow it to the corner of Alabama Street Southwest and Forsyth Street Southwest. The federal building is located at 61 Forsyth Street Southwest.

For more information about MARTA, visit: <http://www.itsmarta.com/>.

How to Obtain a Breeze Card: In order to take MARTA, all riders must have a Breeze Card to access the train. The Breeze Card looks like a credit card, but it has a computer chip inside that can be loaded with cash value, trips or day passes. The Breeze Card is a reusable, plastic card designed to be used by most MARTA customers. Breeze cards can be purchased at a Breeze Vending Machine located in all 38 rail stations or at any of the MARTA Ridestores (Airport and Five Points). Vending machines accept cash, debit cards and credit cards; however, the machines do not accept denominations greater than \$20 in cash. The cost of a Breeze Card is \$2.00. Additional fare or value must be loaded on the card at the time of initial purchase. In order to add more value to your Breeze Card at any Breeze vending machine, please use the following directions:

- ❖ Select “Reload Card” from the display menu
- ❖ Tap your Breeze Card on the round, blue Breeze target
- ❖ Select the value you would like to put on your card by pressing the button on the menu screen
- ❖ Insert your payment into the slot – cash, coins or credit/debit card
- ❖ Tap your Breeze Card on the blue target a second time to load the value onto your card

Once you have purchased your Breeze Card, simply proceed to the station entry gate and tap the Breeze Card on the round, blue target located on the station entry gate. The reader will let you know your card has been accepted and flash your remaining balance on the screen.

MARTA On the Go App: This mobile app is currently developed for the iPhone and Android devices. It provides scheduling information for bus and rail services. The app will also provide real-time bus and rail information, service alerts, and connecting bus route(s) information. This app can be downloaded free of charge on your iPhone or Android device.

There is also a mobile version of the <http://www.itsmarta.com> website which allows you to view bus/rail schedules, real-time bus arrivals, trip planning, service alerts, fare information and contact information.

Shuttle Service: The hotel does not operate a shuttle service to/from the airport. However, there are private shuttle services that offer rides to the hotel area. Located in the Shared-Ride Shuttle Aisle of the Ground Transportation Center at the airport, rides are approximately \$30, one way, not including gratuity. For a list of shuttle services, visit <https://www.atl.com/ground-transportation/#1641608147211-8f7bc094-6a59>.

Taxi: Taxi fare between ATL and the hotel is approximately \$40, one way, not including gratuity and fees such as the fuel surcharge, which is dependent on the daily gas price. Taxis are located in the Ground Transportation Center/West Curb.

Parking: On-site self-parking is located at the hotel and is complimentary.

Ride Share: Currently only two companies are authorized to pick-up at the ATL airport – Uber and Lyft. You can meet your ride in the North Economy Lot. Dependent on time of day, fares to the hotel range from \$35 to \$60, not including gratuity.

Driving Directions from the Homewood Suites to EPA Region 4 Office

Approximately 8.2 miles, 30 minutes depending on traffic

- ❖ Get on GA-13 from Piedmont Rd NE for approximately 1.9 miles.
- ❖ Take I-85 South to M.L.K. Jr. Dr SE. Take exit 248A from I-85 South.
- ❖ Follow M.L.K. Jr. Dr. SE to Forsyth St. SW.

