**TOPICS TO CONSIDER DISCUSSING DURING A SITE VISIT**

How many acres is your facility? What percent of that is water features, in play/out of play, native, etc.?

What are your fairway grasses?

What are your greens grasses?

What are you rough grasses?

Why are they different?

What heights do you cut them at?

What is your biggest challenge managing turf from an invasive pest and plant perspective?

What sort of wildlife do you have at your course? Have you enhanced their habitat in any way?

Have you implemented any BMPs?

How do you manage water use? Have you implemented any conservation practices? How do you know when and where to water?

Where does your water come from? Do you use any reclaimed water? What challenges does it pose?

What are your water costs and how do you manage that budget?

How do you manage fertilizer and pesticide applications? Do you take specific procedures to ensure inputs don’t get into waterways or have other unintended consequences?

What type of technology do you use on the course? Moister meters, weather stations?

How many people work on your crew?

Is finding labor difficult?

Do you or have you utilized seasonal labor programs like H-2B?

Are you open year-round? What is your busy season and slow season?

What do you do during the slow season? Certain projects?

How does golf support the resort and by extension the local economy? How many rounds per year, etc.?

Do you host any major tournaments? Do they bring people and revenue to the local area? What about charitable tournaments? What sort of foundations or charitable organizations are involved?

What sort of education and certifications do you have? Do you pursue continuing education each year?

What is your biggest challenge?

What is most rewarding about your work?

Where are you from and how long have you been at your facility?

**QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK**

How is the Congressman doing?

Is he or are you a golfer?

What are his priorities in this Congress?

How can golf be supportive of his efforts?

Would he or would you be interested in speaking at one of our chapter meetings?