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Converging upon Las Vegas from all across the country were teachers and scientists and specialists.....

We got to know other participants during the wait for the van to take us to Zzyzx. We also learned – “How do you fit 12 people and all of their luggage into a van?” It’s not easy! We checked in to our rooms and met our many roommates. After a delicious dinner of lasagna, salad, and extremely moist and delicious chocolate cake, we learned more about Zzyzx from Robert Fulton. After meeting with our teacher groups, those of us from the east coast collapsed after a very long day.



Monday morning after breakfast, everyone took off for different activities for the day. Some attended a day long geological fieldtrip that highlighted some of California’s most spectacular features. They visited volcanoes, dunes, and spent the day walking through a lava tube! Robotic rovers were fine-tuned so that they could rove the building and the walkway outside the Castle. Some took cyanobacteria in the field and did lab testing to determine the make-up of the organism. Some took transections of soil to determine the amount of moisture in it.

