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Rocky Bluff Campground Without Water; Fees Reduced

Rocky Bluff Campground located three miles south of Hot Springs on Pisgah National Forest in Madison County is continuing to experience water system problems. The campground is open; however it is being operated this season with no water, no restrooms (porta johns are available). Camping fees have been reduced to \$4.00 per site each night. "We have been having problems with the well that provides water to Rocky Bluff. We have had to shut down the entire water system which is over thirty years old because we were getting unacceptable test results for public health," said Paul Bradley, District Ranger for the Appalachian Ranger District of the Pisgah National Forest.

The U.S. Forest Service is drilling a new well and is in the process of upgrading the water storage and distribution system. The Forest Service plans to have the water system improvements completed and drinking water available later this season. For further information on Rocky Bluff Campground, please contact the Hot Springs office at (828) 622-3202 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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