

# News Release

Pisgah National Forest  
Appalachian Ranger District

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## *Stackhouse Day-Use River Access Improvements Completed*

**Stackhouse recreational day-use area on the Pisgah National Forest in Madison County provides commercial and public boating access to the French Broad River five miles east of Hot Springs, NC. Parking and drainage improvements have just been completed at Stackhouse, paid for with receipts from commercial river outfitter permits on the French Broad River. “Recreational use at Stackhouse has increased significantly in recent years. The Forest Service and rafting community worked together to identify and implement needed improvements,” said Paul Bradley, District Ranger for the Appalachian Ranger District. In order to facilitate traffic flow, the area has been redesigned to address traffic, parking and safety issues. There are now separate areas for public and commercial parking. With these new improvements, signing, and public information, the Forest Service is striving to make Stackhouse safe and enjoyable for all users.**

**For additional information on activities at Stackhouse, call the USDA Forest Service at (828) 622-3202.**

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