

News Release

Pisgah National Forest

Appalachian Ranger District



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Flood Damages USDA Forest Service Facilities and Roads in Yancey County

Status of USDA Forest Service facilities and roads in Yancey County:

Black Mountain Campground and Briar Bottom Group Campground are closed and will not likely reopen this year.

Carolina Hemlocks Campground and Picnic area are open and will remain open to the end of the season October 31, 2004.

Forest System Road (FSR) 472, South Toe Road is closed from the end of the asphalt at Mt. Mitchell Golf Course to the Blue Ridge Parkway. South Toe Road above Black Mountain Campground has significant damage and there is no estimate at this time as to when it will reopen. South Toe Road from the end of the asphalt to the intersection of Neals Creek Road (FSR 2074) is closed to the public and open for resident traffic only.

Neals Creek Road, FSR 2074, is closed from the intersection with FSR 472 to the Blue Ridge Parkway. Neals Creek road also sustain serious damage and will remain closed until repairs are made and the Blue Ridge Parkway reopens.

For current information on the status of Forest Service Roads and Campgrounds call 828-682-6146.

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