

## **USDA Forest Service Report on Deadly Flash Flood in Arkansas**

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the release of a recreation visitor safety report by the USDA Forest Service on the circumstances surrounding the 500-year flash flood that took the lives of 20 people during the night this past June at a campground in Arkansas. Although this was an extremely rare event, the Forest Service has done a thorough review and is taking steps to reduce the chances of such a tragedy in the future.

### **Read the full Forest Service Report:**

<http://www.fs.fed.us/news/2010/releases/10/Recreation-Safety-Report-10-18-10.pdf>

The Forest Service report builds upon and responds to information contained in another report done by a USDA review team that looked at the events at Albert Pike campground on June 11th. This report is available at:

[http://www.usda.gov/documents/Albert Pike Review Team Report September 24 2010-a.pdf](http://www.usda.gov/documents/Albert_Pike_Review_Team_Report_September_24_2010-a.pdf)