

Roy Cooper, Governor
Release Note: Immediate
Release Date: Monday, November 29, 2018
3752

Susi Hamilton, Secretary
Contact: Katie Hall
Phone: 919-817-

Closure of Reedy Creek Lake Multi-Use Trail for Bridge Repair

The Reedy Creek Lake multi-use trail and bridge that crosses the Reedy Creek Lake dam and spillway at William B. Umstead State Park will be closed beginning Thursday, Nov. 29. This trail is the only connection to the multi-use trail system at the Reedy Creek entrance to the park. Repairs will include new decking, steel structural improvements and concrete abutments. The project is expected to take 45 days including installation of the new decking.

For safety reasons, no persons will be permitted to use the multi-use trail or cross the bridge during the repairs. Visitors who wish to access the multi-use trail can enter the park through the Crabtree entrance at 8801 Glenwood Avenue. All other hiking trails and picnic facilities will remain open on the Reedy creek side of the park. Bicycles and horses are not permitted on hiking trails.

"Our visitors love this bridge due to the convenient connection it makes between various areas of the park," said Scott Letchworth, superintendent of William B. Umstead State Park. "We hope to have work completed as quickly as possible so visitors can return to the level of access they are used to at the park."

Park staff ask that visitors abide by the closure, which will be in effect seven days per week, for their safety. Updates on the bridge re-opening will be available at ncparks.gov.

About North Carolina State Parks

North Carolina State Parks manages more than 234,000 acres of iconic landscape within North Carolina's state parks, state recreation areas and state natural areas. It administers the N.C. Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, including its local grants program, as well as a state trails program, North Carolina Natural and Scenic Rivers and more, all with a mission dedicated to conservation, recreation and education. The state parks system welcomes more than 19 million visitors annually.

About the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

The N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (NCDNCR) is the state agency with a vision to be the leader in using the state's natural and cultural resources to build the social, cultural, educational and economic future of North Carolina. Led by Secretary Susi H. Hamilton, NCDNCR's mission is to improve the quality of life in our state by creating opportunities to experience excellence in the arts, history, libraries and nature in North Carolina by stimulating learning, inspiring creativity, preserving the state's history, conserving the state's natural heritage, encouraging recreation and cultural tourism, and promoting economic development.

NCDNCR includes 27 historic sites, seven history museums, two art museums, two science museums, three aquariums and Jennette's Pier, 39 state parks and recreation areas, the N.C. Zoo, the nation's first state-supported Symphony Orchestra, the State Library, the State Archives, the N.C. Arts Council, State Preservation Office and the Office of State Archaeology, along with the Division of Land and Water Stewardship. For more information, please call (919) 807-7300 or visit www.ncdcr.gov.

###

N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
109 E. Jones Street | Raleigh, N.C. | 27601

info.marketingservices@ncdcr.gov | ncdcr.gov