Unit Highlights

Visitors to this district can enjoy the recreation serenity of a longleaf pine ecosystem and the historic pasts of Fullerton Lake Recreation Complex and Little Cypress Recreation Complex.

Surrounding Areas

Fullerton Lake Recreation Complex was once the site of the Fullerton Sawmill and community, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986. Ruins and foundations of the largest sawmill operation west of the Mississippi River may be seen on the 1-mile Fullerton Mill Trail. This trail is dotted with QR codes to allow visitors to enjoy a selfguided tour of this unique area. Fullerton Lake offers a variety of recreation options including camping, fishing, nonmotorized boating, and a group picnic shelter. Little Cypress Recreation Complex features a 3-acre spring-fed pond surrounded by the 0.5-mile, fully-accessible Ol' Sarge Interpretive Trail. Little Cypress is a small day use recreation area that offers picnicking, fishing, hiking, volleyball court, and a group picnic shelter.

For More Information

Calcasieu Ranger District 9912 Highway 28 West Boyce, Louisiana 71409 Phone: (318) 793-9427 or 1-(800) 225-9733 www.fs.usda.gov/kisatchie OHV Hotline: (318) 473-7069 Hours: 7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. M-F

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VERNON UNIT



Pavilion at Fullerton Lake Recreation Area



Wolf Rock Cave





Recreational Information

General

This unit encompasses 85,000 acres and is close to the Leesville/Ft. Polk area and surrounding Vernon Parish.

Developed Recreation

The unit administers four developed recreation complexes: Little Cypress, Blue Hole, Government Pond, and Fullerton Lake Recreation Complexes. The use of these facilities are free of charge with the exception of the following:

Day Use Fees:

Group Shelter: \$35-\$75.00, call for reservations (open/close 8 a.m.-8 p.m.) \$5.00/operator Enduro Multiple-Use Trails (OHV, horse, mountain bike)

Camping Fees:

Fullerton Single: \$15.00/night Enduro Camp: \$10.00/night

The Vernon Unit offers visitors over 52 miles of trails throughout pine and hardwood forests. The trails connect some of the recreation complexes.

- ♦ Fullerton Interpretive Trail—1 mile
- Big Branch Trail 10 miles
- ♦ Wild Turkey Trail—1.5 miles
- Enduro Multiple-Use Trails 39 miles
- ♦ Ol-Sarge Trail—0.5 miles

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Recreational Opportunities and Facilities on the Calcasieu Ranger District's Vernon Unit





Fullerton Lake Recreation Complex Fullerton Lake Day-Use Area Free Fullerton Lake Group-Use Area⁽¹⁾ Fullerton Lake Campground \$15 Free Fullerton Mill Trail Little Cypress Recreation Complex Little Cypress Day-Use Area Free Little Cypress Group-Use Area (1) Call Ol' Sarge Interpretive Trail Blue Hole Day-Use Area Hogback Ridge Trail Free Other Recreation Areas Free Government Pond Recreation Area Enduro Multiple-Use Trails(2) \$5 **Enduro Trailhead Camp** \$10 Free Wolf Rock Cave Free Big Branch and Wild Turkey Trail Longleaf Scenic Area Free Hunter Camp (1)\$35-\$75 daily fee, reservations required. (2) No trail use fees for hikers.

Other Essentials

The Vernon Unit is a very popular area for various hunting and fishing opportunities. Contact the Calcasieu District office for dates and regulations. With numerous scenic areas, bogs and special interest areas, the Vernon Unit has a very unique selection of ecological interest for both nature studies and wildlife viewing. The portion of the Vernon used by Fort Johnson is also a popular Wildlife Management Area. Hunters come from all over the region to hunt deer and turkey on the Fort Johnson Wildlife Management Area.

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