



# Daniel Boone National Forest

## Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2017

### Flood Recovery



Bee Rock Campground is a secluded, but popular camping area located on the southern end of the forest. It borders both sides of a river and boasts a Civilian Conservation Corps-era bridge. However, recent flooding caused damage to the parking lot and drainage systems and the trees had an infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer.

To address these issues, the forest made a substantial effort to eliminate the tree hazards and improve the site. The forest repaired the roads, parking areas and ditches to both improve drainage and lessen the chance of future flooding. The forest also re-striped the parking lots, replaced eight picnic tables installed two new water hydrants, and installed bear proof trash cans.

Recreation fee funds contributed \$7,000 toward the project, which helped to leverage other funding and volunteer work.

### Buoys and Docks

Laurel Lake is a popular recreation site offering a variety of opportunities to hundreds of thousands of diverse visitors each year. The forest invested \$28,000 in recreation fee funds into the site, which leveraged volunteer and partner contributions.

Buoys are one of the most difficult recreation structures to maintain with constant movement and loss. The forest entered into a partnership with a local marina to purchase new buoys and hardware, while the marina provided the expertise to place the buoys.

In addition Marsh Branch Boat Ramp new solar lighting assemblies while both Grove and Marsh Branch received structural improvements to the courtesy docks, including a new mounting plate design to withstand pounding waves. and additional dumpsters.



The forest also added dumpsters where needed and removed a significant amount of brush at the sites.

### Safety in Target Shooting Practice

Keno Shooting Range has become very popular and is heavily used by visitors from surrounding counties demonstrating the popularity and value of providing safe shooting opportunities. The forest used about \$6,000 of recreation fee funds, along with partners and Job Corps help, to rebuild target berms and set up a 15 yard pistol target area.



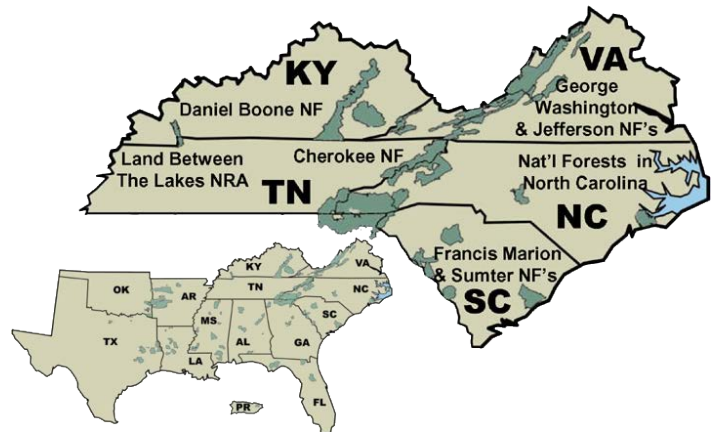
## Other Accomplishments

- Added solar tube lights and painted exterior doors of toilets at Clear Creek Campground.
- Added new handrail at Warix Run Boat Ramp.
- Added wheel stops and striped Scott's Creek Boat Ramp.
- Added recycling stations and rebuilt two campsites, at Koomer Ridge Campground.
- Refurbished play areas and replaced rotting sections of split rail fencing at Natural Arch Picnic Area.
- Reconstructed the access road and purchased materials for Appletree Shooting Range.
- Maintained shooting ranges on a weekly basis.
- Replaced or installed culverts at Barren Fork Horse Camp.
- Operated and maintained sites with the help of Pine Knot Job Corps, to include cleaning toilets, picnic tables and grills; picking up trash; repairing features; and replacing damaged signs.
- Removed or abated hazard trees in cooperation with Pine Knot Job Corps Urban Forestry Program.



*Laurel Lake Near Craig's Creek*

## Regional Map



*Rebuilt campsite at Koomer Ridge Campground*

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## Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$361,334	\$7,790,073
Special Uses	\$27,941	\$1,704,464
Interagency Passes	\$25,687	\$528,471
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$414,962</b>	<b>\$10,023,008</b>
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$66,901	\$4,625,554
Visitor Services	\$56,444	\$1,400,284
Law Enforcement	\$22,297	\$180,257
Habitat Restoration	\$0	\$304,256
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$55,183
Collections/Overhead	\$41,158	\$1,272,180
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$186,800</b>	<b>\$7,837,714</b>