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Legal Notice Opportunity to Comment on Rocky Mountain Loop Trail Segment Closure and Rehabilitation Project

The Uwharrie National Forest, Uwharrie Ranger District, has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Rocky Mountain Loop Trail Segment Closure and Rehabilitation Project, located in the Badin Lake Recreation Area. This project would permanently close, decommission, and stabilize the Kodak Rock and Lower Ledge sections of the Rocky Mountain Loop Trail (TR92) from its junction with the Slab Pile Trail (TR79) to its junction with the Sawmill Trail (TR93) (approximately 0.85 mile total).

Information about the proposed project or activity is available on-line at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50080>. The EA and supporting documentation is also available for review at the Uwharrie Ranger District Office. Additional information regarding this project or activity can be obtained from: Theresa Savery, NC Highway 24/27 East, Troy, NC 27371, 910-576-6391 x 102 and/or tsavery@fs.fed.us.

How to Comment and Timeframe

The opportunity to comment ends 30 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Montgomery Herald. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments per 36 CFR §218.2 regarding the proposed project or activity during a public comment period established by the responsible official are eligible to file an objection per §218.24(b)(6). For issues to be raised in objections, they must be based on previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity and attributed to the objector. The publication date of the legal notice in the Montgomery Herald is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit written comments on a proposed project or activity. The time period for the opportunity to comment on a proposed project or activity to be documented with an environmental assessment shall not be extended. It is the responsibility of all individuals and organizations to ensure that their comments are received in a timely manner.

Written comments must be submitted to: Michael Spisak, Uwharrie District Ranger, 789 NC Highway 24/27 East, Troy, NC 27371, fax 910-576-4171, office 910-576-6391. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc, .docx) to comments-southern-north-carolina-uwaharrie@fs.fed.us. For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request 36 CFR §218.24(b)(8).

Please state "Rocky Mountain Loop Trail Segment Closure and Rehabilitation Project" in the subject line when providing electronic comments, or on the envelope when replying by mail.