

# Woods Ferry Horse Trail



## Sumter National Forest



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The rolling hills of Sumter National Forest near Chester are home to nine miles of easy-to-moderate loops known collectively as Woods Ferry Horse Trail. The trails run over a primarily red clay terrain that provides a wonderful change in scenery from the area's typical pine trails. Interconnecting loops allow for rides of varying lengths. This area has a hardwood canopy of poplars, maples and sweet gums. Look for deer, turkeys, redtail hawks, quail, blue heron and even the rare osprey. Bald eagles can be seen along the Broad River corridor.

### Surrounding area

- Old English District Commission, Chester, SC (800) 968-5909
- Leeds Rifle Range
- Worthy's Bottom Wildlife Area
- Woods Ferry Recreation Area

### For more information

*Enoree Ranger Station*

20 Work Center Road

Whitmire, SC 29178

Phone: (803) 276-4810

Fax: (803) 276-9303

Hours: Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Directions:** For day use trailhead parking: from Hwy. 9 and County 49 WF Road, drive south 0.5 miles and turn right on FS Road 535. Drive 1.2 miles to FS Road 301C and turn left. Drive 0.4 miles to trailhead; graveled parking area is on the left. Trail begins in the parking area by the information board.

**Difficulty level:** Easy to moderate

**Drinking water:** Stream water is safe for animals to drink but not for human consumption. During hot summer months some streams and creeks may dry up.

**Emergency:** Chester County 911

**Fees:** None

**Length:** 21 miles

**Restrictions:** Closed to all off-highway vehicles.

**Safety:** Care should be taken in the woods during big-game season; wear blaze orange.

**Season:** Year round

**Surface type:** Unsurfaced, gravel, Piedmont clay

**Travel time:** Varies

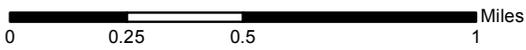
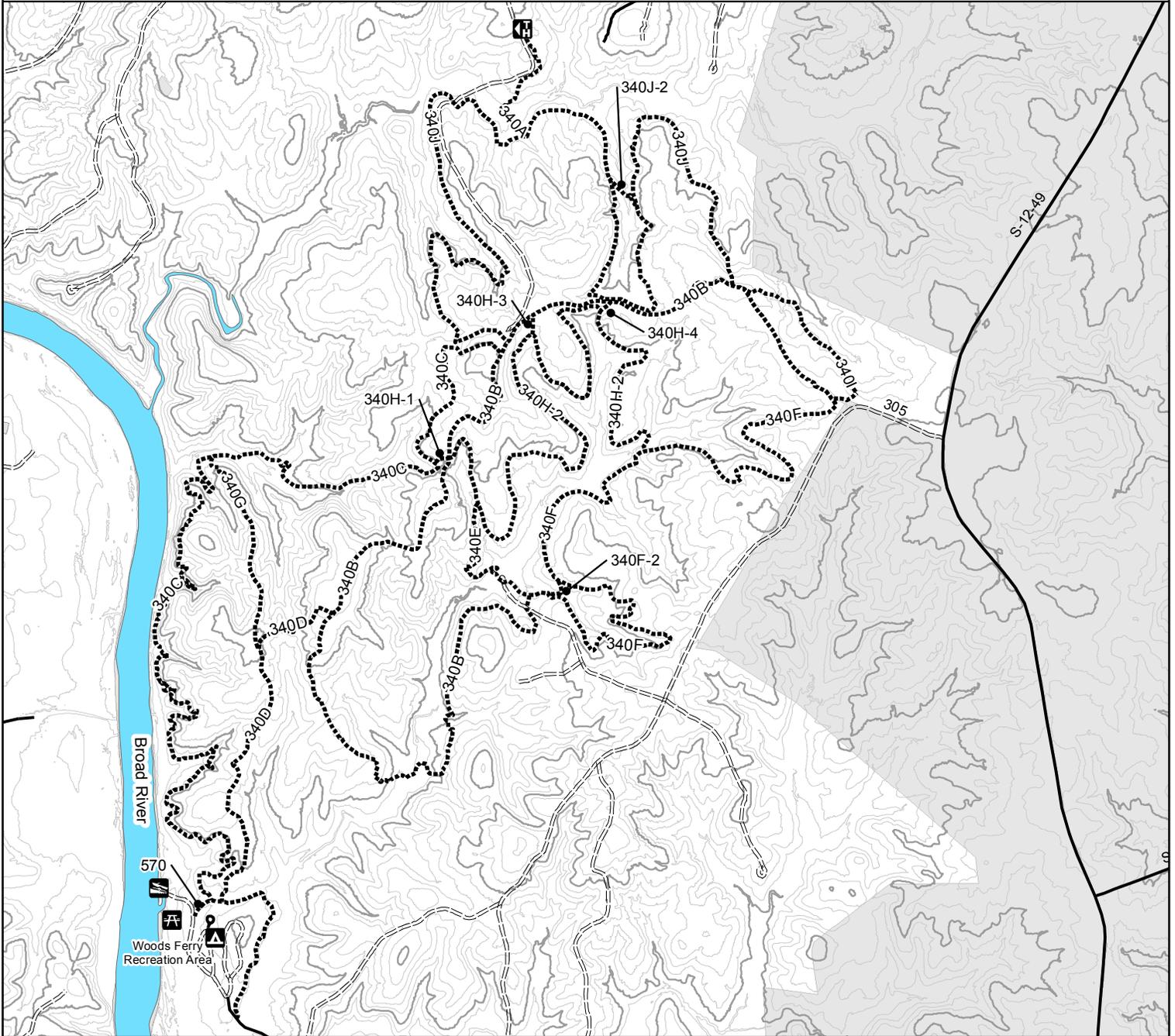
**Camping:** Primitive camping is allowed along the trail with a permit. Contact district office.

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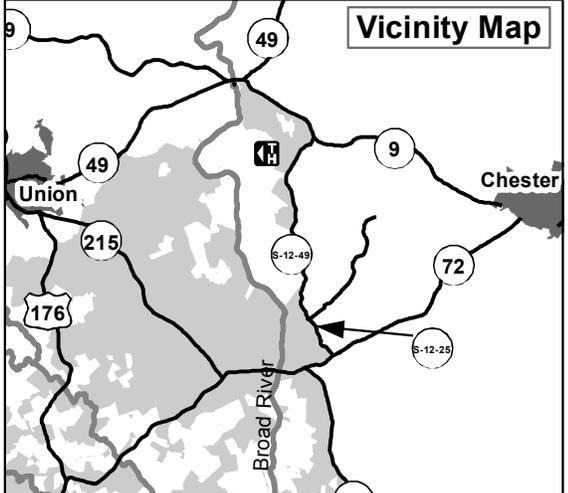
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Legend	
	Existing System Trail
	Paved Road
	Forest Service Road
	Forest Service Land
	Private Ownership



TRAIL	MILEAGE	COLOR
340A	0.37	White
340B	3.93	Yellow
340C	3.86	Blue
340D	1.62	Violet
340E	0.47	Green
340F	2.77	Orange
340F-2	0.07	Orange
340G	0.60	Gold
340H-1	0.05	Red
340H-2	2.69	Red
340H-3	0.06	Red
340H-4	0.06	Red
340I	0.47	Brown
340J	3.90	Purple
340J-2	0.12	Purple
570	0.10	Gray



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# Horse Sense

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## Safety

- File a trip plan with family or friends so someone will know where you are and whom to contact should you fail to return as planned.
- Take a first aid kit, compass and map. Know the location of the nearest hospital.
- Watch for hazards along the trail. Do not try to jump trees and other obstacles.
- Stay on trails to avoid stump holes in the woods.
- Take a break from time to time to rest.
- Wear blaze orange during the big game hunting season (October through December).
- Have at least two adults in your party.
- Watch for vehicles when crossing roads.
- Locked vehicles are not completely safe. Leave valuable and unnecessary equipment at home.

## Leave No Trace Principles

- Plan ahead and prepare.
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
- Dispose of waste properly.
- Leave what you find.
- Minimize campfire impacts.
- Respect wildlife.
- Be considerate of other visitors.

