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## **Temporary Reduction in Amenities at Thunder Rock Campground** Cherokee National Forest

**BENTON, TENN – May 29, 2018...** USDA Forest Service officials at the Cherokee National Forest say certain amenities at Thunder Rock Campground in the Ocoee Ranger District will be reduced while electricity in the area is shut off.

The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) is doing work in the area that requires the electricity to be turned off. TVA estimates that it will be at least a week before power is restored to the campground.

While the power is shut down Thunder Rock Campground will remain open but there will be no potable water, showers or flush toilets in the campground. Vault toilets are available and campers should bring their own water.

Ocoee District Ranger Mike Wright said, “We regret any inconvenience a reduction in amenities in the campground may cause visitors. We will return to offering normal services as soon as power is restored.”

Thunder Rock Campground is located off US Highway 64 in Polk County. It offers over 30 camping sites. Other national forest campgrounds in the area remain open.

For additional information please contact the Ocoee Ranger District at 423-338-3300.

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