**Mark Twain National Forest**  
*Missouri*  
**Lane Spring Recreation Area**

Eastern Region, USDA Forest Service  
February 9, 2012

**Highlights:** This recreation area features a lovely setting along Little Piney Creek and is easily accessed from Highway 63, about 12 miles south of Rolla.

**Attractions:** This area is very popular for people to gather for a day’s outing. Within the area are two hiking trails – Blossom Rock and Cedar Bluff. Little Piney Creek, a **Wild Trout Management Area**, has a rainbow trout population as well as bass and sunfish. A state fishing license and trout stamp is required for fishing here. **Fishing** allowed only with artificial lures and flies; limit of 1 trout 18 inches or more.

A sidewalk leads from the parking lot to a shaded stone patio with benches overlooking tranquil Lane Spring. The beautiful surroundings have made it a popular spot for weddings, family reunions, and other gatherings.

**Camping:** 17 single campsites and 1 double site each provide a table, tent pad, lantern post, and fire ring. 6 sites have electric hookups. Drinking water and vault toilets are centrally located. On-site host will assist you. Entrance gate may be closed from 10 pm to 6 am.

**Picnicking:** This area has 2 large pavilions with electricity, a mowed playing field, and a playground for children. Daily rental for pavilions: $34.00 through [Recreation.gov](http://Recreation.gov) or by calling 877-444-6777. Picnic area is open March 1 through October 31. Several individual picnic sites provide a table and grill for picnicking under a shade tree.

**For More Information:**  
Houston/Rolla/Cedar Creek Ranger District  
401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO 65401  
Phone: (573) 364-4621  
Fax: (573) 364-6844  
Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

**Directions:** From Rolla go 12 miles south on Hwy 63, turn west onto Forest Road 1892 (marked by a large Forest Service sign). Follow this road 1.5 miles to the picnic area and go a little farther to the campground.  
**Considerations:** The favorite sites at this campground may fill up on some weekends, so you might want to arrive early to have a better choice of campsite near the water.  
**Season:** Picnic area opens March 1 through October 31. Campground opens April 1 through October 31.  
**General Use:** Camping, picnicking, nature observation, wading, fishing and hiking.  
**Fees:** Day Use $2.00 per car; $10 per bus. Camp sites $8.00 and $16.00. Electric sites are $15. Pavilion rental $34. Free day use and reduced camping with Senior or Access pass.  
**Safety:** Be aware of flash flooding. The river rises rapidly during and after heavy rains. Stay off the river during flood events. Protect yourself against overexposure to the sun, stinging and biting insects, and poison ivy.  
**Emergency Contacts:**  
Phelps County Sheriff or Ambulance: 911  
Phelps Co. Hospital (573) 458-8899

“The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”  
Mark Twain National Forest  
401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO 65401