Public Outreach

Tiffany Foster Natural Resource Planning and Programs



M Public Outreach

- Work with partners to increase awareness and appreciation of cultural and natural resources
- Improve the understanding of the role all can play in caring for the resources
- Increase participation in stewardship activities and encourage outdoor recreation
- Grow interest in cultural and natural resources and science-related fields



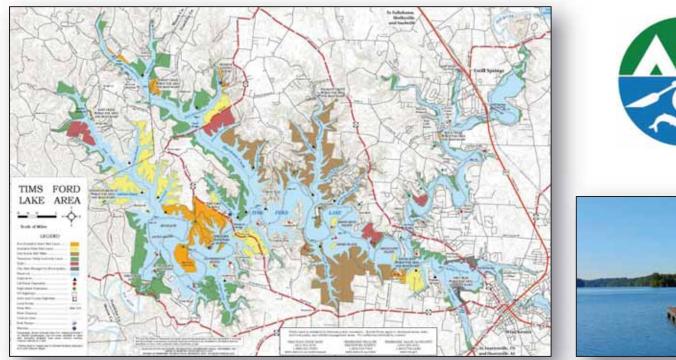




M Tims Ford Blueway

Collaborative project with state and local partners

- Improving recreational opportunities
- Highlighting resource features







East Tennessee River Valley Geotourism MapGuide

Collaborative project with over 70 partners

- Promoting tourism that sustains and/or enriches the region
- National Geographic Society Map Division expertise matched with a stakeholder driven process





M Interpretive Areas on TVA Lands

 Enhance the user experience when visiting TVA public lands





Tools

- Interpretive kiosks and signs
- Mobile apps
- Audio recordings
- Web-based modules
- Hands-on activities



Interpretive Area Features To Highlight



Improve the user experience by upgrading trails, facilities, and creating self-guided interpretive trails



Cultural resources

- Prehistory, Civil War, Civilian Conservation Corps projects, and TVA history
 - Oral histories, kiosks, and interpretive signs



Features built by the Civil Conservation Corps



Trails, drainage networks, foot bridges, observation decks, a pavilion, and a dance hall





Natural resource features

- Natural Area, water, wildlife habitat, wildflowers
 - Audio recordings of bats and birds
 - Self-guided wildflower walks







Approach

- Gather information and ideas from community and partners
- Draft plan
- Host an open house to receive more public input
- Finalize and implement plan
- Host grand opening celebration with the community



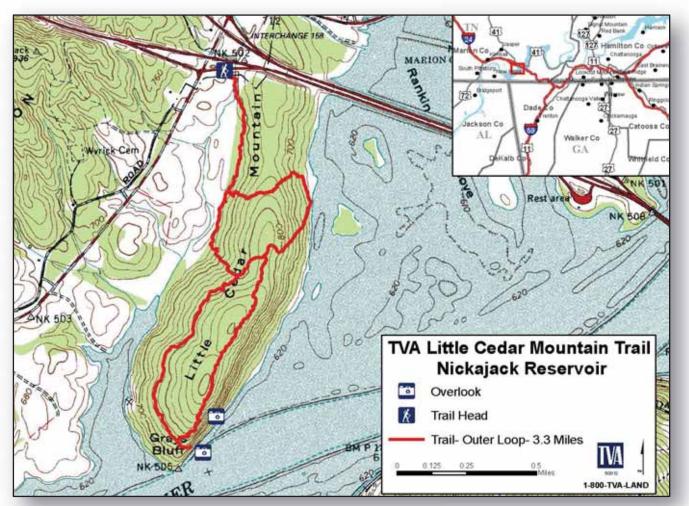




M Little Cedar Mountain Interpretive Area

Natural area located about 30 miles from Chattanooga

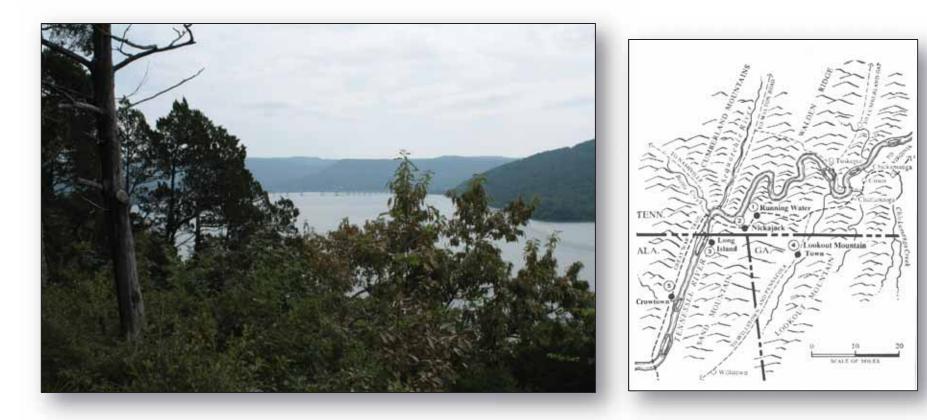
Existing trail network



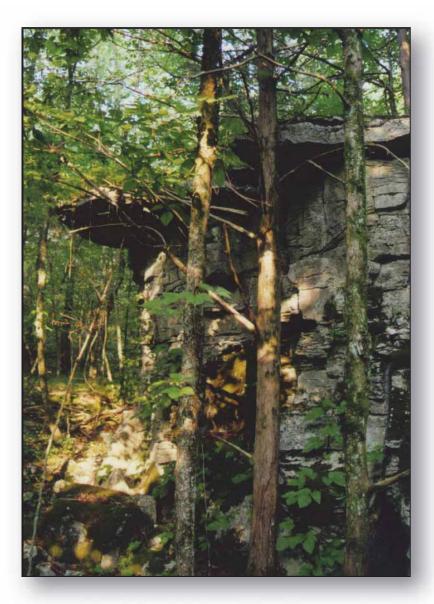
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Cultural resources

- Prehistory and history
 - Oral histories and interpretive signs



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M Potential and Current Outreach Projects

