



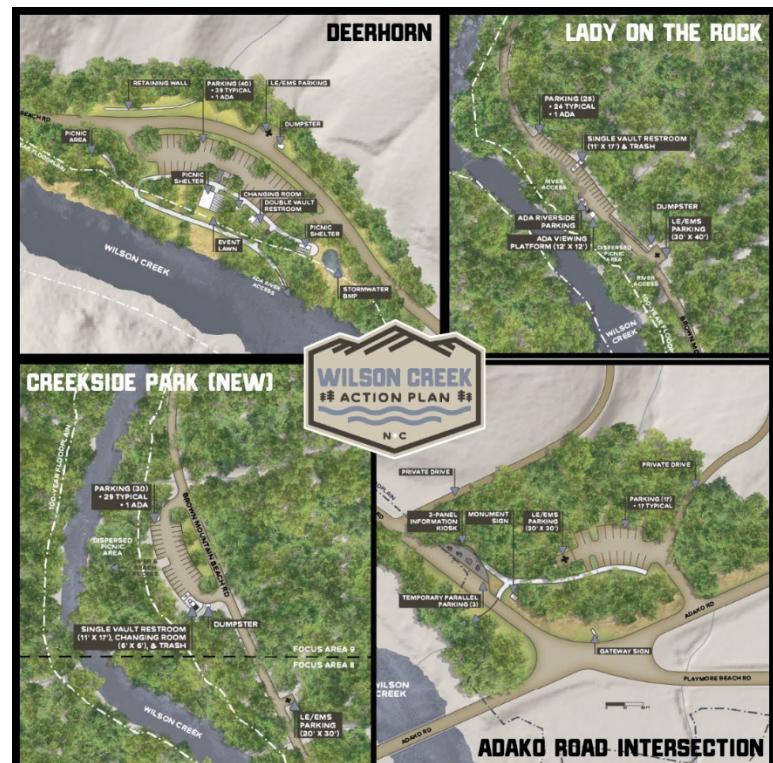
(3) **Visitor Safety**- Provide reserved parking and turn-around areas for law enforcement and emergency management. Eliminate parking in non-designated areas using boulders, guardrails, and road realignment.

The project area covers the lower 9 miles of the Wilson Creek Wild and Scenic River corridor along Brown Mountain Beach Road from Adako Road to NC 90 at Mortimer. Proposed improvements are concentrated in the popular Wilson Creek Gorge, the 5-mile stretch from Adako Road to Craig Creek Road. The Action Plan details 11 recommended river access parking areas, or “focus areas”, within this section on lands managed by the U.S. Forest Service, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and Caldwell County.

For full details on the plan, visit [www.g5trailcollective.org/wilsoncreek](http://www.g5trailcollective.org/wilsoncreek).

"We are excited to unveil the Wilson Creek Action Plan to the public," said Melissa Patton, Executive Director of Carolina Land and Lakes Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D). "This collaborative effort will not only enhance the visitor experience but also ensure the long-term protection of this important natural resource. Managing use along the corridor will protect river-side vegetation and water quality. This is a critical time for Wilson Creek and we are pleased to provide a working Action Plan for all three public landowners."

Destination by Design, a planning firm located in Boone, NC produced the action plan with funding from Carolina Land and Lakes RC&D. The U.S. Forest Service Grandfather Ranger District led the effort in collaboration with land managers from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission. A diverse partnership representing local residents, businesses, and users guided the plan development process. These partners include: A Clean Wilson Creek, American Whitewater, Caldwell County Chamber of Commerce, Caldwell County Planning Department, Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina, G5 Trail Collective, Latinos Aventureros en las Carolinas, Northwest NC Mountain Bike Alliance, Trout Unlimited and Wild South.



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