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CRANBERRY MOUNTAIN NATURE CENTER PREPARES FOR SEASON ENDING

The Cranberry Mountain Nature Center of the Monongahela National Forest, normally open daily from April 1 through November 30, will be changing the days of operation to Thursday through Sunday for the month of November. Because of a sharp drop in visitation following the end of the fall leaf colors, a shortage of personnel to run the center 7 days a week, and the need for some major repair work on the centers electrical and water systems, the center will be closed on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays beginning on November 4, 2002. The center will close for the season on Saturday, November 30, 2002, and will reopen on April 1, 2003.

The Cranberry Mountain Nature Center is located at the junction of Rt. 39/55 and Rt. 150 (Highland Scenic Highway), 23 miles east of Richwood and 14 miles west of Marlinton, WV. For more information, call (304) 653-4826 Monday - Sunday, 9am-5pm, or (304) 846-2695, Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm. The Forest Service is committed to the policy that all persons have equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, or national origin.