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South Carolina State Parks updated their status.

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UPDATE: Cheraw State Park is OPEN - 14 parks closed.

As we have reported, 15 of our state parks (list here: <http://bit.ly/2e6gXJY>) suffered damage from Hurricane Matthew and are currently closed. The good news is, we hope to have the majority of these parks open and welcoming visitors within the next week. Our coastal parks were hardest hit. We are working diligently at Myrtle Beach State Park and Huntington Beach State Park to make repairs and open these two parks by the last week of October.

Unfortunately, Edisto Beach and Hunting Island state parks suffered the greatest damage. It will take months of work before these parks will reopen. We do hope that a portion of Edisto Beach State Park will reopen in late November offering cabin stays and camping opportunities in our Live Oak campground.

If you have pending reservations at any of these parks and need more information, please contact the call center at 1-866-345-PARK (7275) for assistance. Please be patient as we are expecting higher than normal call volume during this period.

As of now, we are in the process of cancelling and refunding reservations at the following parks:

- Hunting Island State Park – All reservations are cancelled and refunded through December 2016.
 - Edisto Beach State Park – All reservations in the beachfront campground are cancelled and refunded through December 2016. All reservations in the cabins and Live Oak campground are cancelled and refunded through November 17, 2016.
 - Myrtle Beach State Park – All reservations are cancelled and refunded through October 23, 2016.
 - Huntington Beach State Park – All reservations are cancelled and refunded through October 27, 2016.
 - Santee State Park – All reservations are cancelled and refunded through October 23, 2016.
- Please stay tuned to our website and social media. As openings and changes occur, information will be posted there.

Fall is a fantastic time to get outdoors and visit your parks. We encourage you to take a trip to our Upstate parks or visit some of our parks located along our lakes. We appreciate your concern and thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.



Linda Nunez I know y'all are working hard and as a team in helping to get these parks back opened as soon as possible. Thank you!!

at 19:34:51 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Sue Gettig Suzanne Couch

at 19:38:17 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Andrea Maldonado Kathy Christ Carnes

at 19:38:19 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Deanna Anderson How did the fishing pier at Myrtle Beach do? We participated in an event there in Sept and are wondering if it got damaged.

at 19:41:16 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Sandy Lowe So sad, my two favorites hit the hardest.

at 19:41:40 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Tina Brantley Davis So SAD but thank you for all of your hard work and commitment to our BEAUTIFUL State parks during these rough weather events lately! So looking forward to seeing you all again soon!!

at 19:44:31 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Beverly Oller Livingston We love MB and Huntington Beach parks...good luck with your clean and be safe!!

at 19:44:41 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Beverly Oller Livingston Ok from local news media
at 19:44:57 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Beverly Oller Livingston Ok from MB local news
at 19:45:18 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Deanna Anderson Thanks Beverly Oller Livingston
at 19:45:23 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Sandy Cochran Milford Kathy Bryant Cochran
at 19:45:28 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Brenda Caparaso Thank you
at 19:48:41 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Wendy Giles So sad to hear ... Thank you for your hard work . Fingers crossed for our March 2017 trip .
at 19:49:35 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Norman Brooks So sad I can only imagine what our favorite state park looks like. Praying for a rebound!
at 19:50:06 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Marianne Revie Thanks for the updates.
at 19:52:35 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Jessica Perry Rebecka Kelsey Russo ~ Service Project for the girls to help out. j
at 19:54:17 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Sue Ahlers Houseman Debbie Verno Skiba
at 20:05:18 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Jan Caskey Thank you for the information. Good luck rebuilding.
at 20:05:59 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Dani Toussaint Thank y'all for all the work you do.
at 20:16:10 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Vivian Campbell Hynes Two of our favorite and local parks are on the list (Poinsett and Lee). Is there anything we can do to help out with the clean-up efforts at Poinsett and Lee?
at 20:17:26 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Jen Hynds Glessner We love our state parks! Thank you all for your hard work
at 20:19:11 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Kristin Hawkins We ♥ our state parks! So sad to hear of their damage. Looking forward to seeing them new and improved!
at 20:22:01 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Faith Happnie Clark Bruce D. Holmes Poinsett State Park says 10/12/2016
at 20:26:24 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Linda Harris Maybe you can call the park office numbers and get someone on the phone.
at 20:27:52 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Susan Clark Megan
at 20:29:55 on 10/12/2016 UTC

Diana Knox Edwards Thanks for all you all do



at 20:30:50 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Katrina Epting Macayla Crout
at 20:34:59 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Peter Bental Kear Sad to see Hunting Island on the list but we figured all the sand it dumped at Edisto had to come from somewhere. I just hope some others on the list are able to reopen soon. We have a limited amount of time before my busy season to finish doing the Ultimate Outsider program this year and 3 out of the 7 parks we have left are on the list. I also wonder how Congaree National is doing because we also still have that one to go.
at 20:36:11 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Suzie Kiley Helman Sandi Helman Flanagan.
at 20:37:26 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Rebecka Russo myrtle beach state park???
at 20:40:29 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Suzie Kiley Helman We will greatly miss our autumn camping at Hunting Island. Thank you to all who are working so hard to clean and repair our state parks and campgrounds.
at 20:42:11 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Willa Scruggs Love love edisto st park...thx for all your hard work for months to come
at 20:47:01 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Cassandra Morrow Harris Bob Helen Morrow Josh Harris
at 20:47:21 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Angela Cole You guys rock! God Bless!
at 20:55:16 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Joyce Alice Smith We were just at Hunting Island State Park a couple of weeks ago! I even braved it to the top of the lighthouse, even though I'm very afraid of heights! And I finally picked up my book and got it stamped there, too! Looking forward to be back there. I know you'll all work hard to get everything safe for all of those that enjoy nature. Hoping to go to Andrew Jackson this weekend. I imagine the fall colours are beautiful!
at 20:57:00 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Karen Wall Buice We had reservations for this week at Hunting Island. After the park closed due to the hurricane we made a reservation at Lake Greenwood state park to get away from the storm. Very nice people there and very welcoming when they heard we were evacuees from Charleston. Another great SC State park.
at 20:57:45 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Randy Black How about some damage pictures of the parks
at 21:05:49 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Jacob Simmons Benjy Simmons Renee Simmons there u go
at 21:14:25 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Allison Sheriff Kirby So sad to hear of Edisto & Hunting Island. So glad I got to visit Hunting Island right before the storm. We will anxiously await the reopening. Hopefully the erosion to Hunting Island isn't too terrible.
at 21:17:00 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Lisa Montgomery Katelyn
at 21:25:03 on 10/12/2016 UTC

Tom Cole Perhaps this is a blessing in disguise, now you might get some fema money. I'm sure you guys can bring them back Better than what they where. you need to bring in some



good contractors
at 21:26:45 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Allan Mary Oliver What about Charles Towne Landing?
at 21:41:36 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Brittany Rea Dellinger Mickey Flaughter Rea
at 21:43:30 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Jim Montgomery Rough year for Huntington Beach State Park. Nature Center burned down and then Hurricane Matthew wreaks havoc. Our thoughts and prayers with Brenda and the staff as they recover.
at 22:27:13 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Gloria McDowell I was wondering if Hunting Island got hit hard by the storm. Are there any cabins or trees left?
at 22:34:47 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Sue Livingston Thompson I so remember all the times I had to do refunds for emergencies similar to this when I worked at Hunting Island. Only in those days the disasters were not as bad. I so love Hunting Island, may this island find some peace..Coach and I go back to before Ray Stevens came aboard as Manager, then Superintendent and we experienced all the changes. It was tough at times but never did the island give up. Hunting holds a big, big part of my heart and Jim's along with Ray Stevens who loved her even more. All of you are in my prayers.
at 22:45:42 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Virginia Hyatt Ellen Schiesser Rob Schiesser
at 23:08:51 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Anita McAlister Schwier Melissa Schwier Maughon, thought of you. Hunting Island must have taken quite a hit. So sad because it's a beautiful State Park.
at 23:26:43 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Robin Miller Smith Can you guys post pictures of Edisto beach campground? Some of her biggest fan are really worried out our little piece of heaven.
at 23:45:25 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Amy Zadonia Blackburn Christine Zadonia
Brian Blackburn
at 23:53:13 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Lori Hughes Erin Gilbert Whittington
at 23:59:20 on 10/12/2016 UTC



Kent Weaver Are they accepting volunteers to help clean up Hunting Island?
at 0:36:06 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Jeff Jackson Does anyone know if Little Blue survived at Hunting?
at 0:53:02 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Reagen Dandridge Desilets I'll be watching to see if there is anything the public can do to help clean up.
at 0:54:04 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Carrie Morris Margaret DeCarrico Morris
at 0:56:36 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Jordan Dorsey Jennifer 😊
at 0:56:56 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Laura Hooton Traci Info on sc parks☺

at 0:59:33 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Doris Motts Lee What about the lighthouses? Any damages?

at 1:15:36 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Peter Bendal Kear Lisa Blackstone If you are doing the national park add on then unless they extend it it has to be finished this year. Otherwise you have as long as they decide to keep the program going.

at 1:27:13 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Angela Williams It did!

at 1:36:28 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Brooke Pacheco



at 1:44:37 on 10/13/2016 UTC



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at 1:44:44 on 10/13/2016 UTC



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at 1:44:52 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Angela Williams



at 1:50:06 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Taff Clements Marge Ann sad
at 2:03:11 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Cindi Tucker Cranford Jerry Sineath
Julie Ann Kinard
at 2:17:05 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Christine Burroughs Sad. That means no ultimate outsider for me this year! I am really close to finishing and have been to most of the national park sites too!
at 2:24:43 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Margaret DeCarrico Morris Thank you for working to restore our beloved parks!
at 2:27:28 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Leisa E Smith Did the lighthouse at Hunting Island suffer much damage???
at 2:50:13 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Nancy Cannon Randy Cannon
at 3:00:13 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Erin Conrad Jenkins Blair Conrad Chelsea Robinson. Hunting Island 😊
at 3:14:49 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Penny Baskin The only vacation I can afford is to go to the state parks and I love it. My heart aches for Edisto as that is my favorite. So peaceful with out all the fru fru things, just nature to enjoy.
at 3:33:59 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Angel Williams Orechovesky Please post pictures for us when you can. Thanks.
at 4:28:48 on 10/13/2016 UTC



D Kirk Wall Thank you for keeping us updated. Best wishes for safety to all of the crews working hard to restore the parks. We will keep our fingers crossed for our annual fall trip to Huntington Beach State Park, but understand if things have to change.
at 11:26:06 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Rosemarie Hammond Thank you for keeping us updated.
at 11:26:14 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Pat Blackwell I was told our state parks are no longer supported by the state, but that they are self supporting. I hope our scout troops will take an interest in helping them recover.
at 11:37:17 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Joan Benkert Mitchell Thank you for the updates and for the efforts you are making to get the parks re-opened! My husband and I have been traveling to the SC State Parks getting our Ultimate Outsider stamps and we both have really enjoyed our visits to the parks! We have 45 stamps so far!! SC is very blessed to have such great quality parks :) Continued prayers to South Carolina State Parks as you rebuild those parks affected by Hurricane Matthew.
at 12:58:25 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Keith Reis Love South Carolina state parks!
at 14:08:29 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Jennifer Osborne Claytor Nooooooo!!!! My paradise!! ☹️☹️
at 21:01:01 on 10/13/2016 UTC



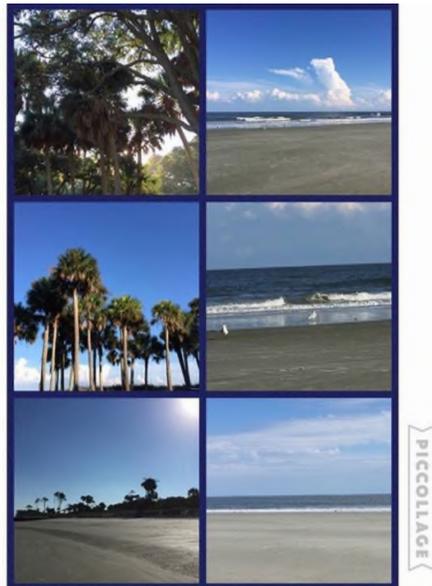
Vicki Perabo Woodhead so sad - this is of our best State Parks!
at 21:12:41 on 10/13/2016 UTC



Kevin Peters The Parks at the coast are truly a SC treasure. My thoughts and prayers go out to the staff.
at 0:03:44 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Debbie Tolbert What a difference a week makes... I took these photos on October 2nd. Our chocolate lab Sadie loved the beach and Hunting Island was one of our favorite day trips from Charleston. Sadly our Sadie passed away in her sleep in September. We went to Hunting Island on this day to remember our time there with Sadie. It was a beautiful day.



at 0:09:06 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Emily Reichelderfer Can you tell me where this is?
at 0:26:16 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Courtney Radtke Linda Steele Broome
at 0:53:22 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Brooke Pacheco Emily Reichelderfer according to the Beaufort County Sheriffs office Facebook page, this is cabin road.
at 2:16:07 on 10/14/2016 UTC

Tanya Morris Bailes A ranger at Edisto State Park told us that the coastal parks bring in



most of the money that supports all of the parks in the state.

at 2:53:32 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Lauren Graham Oh no! Praying! Edisto Beach is my favorite beach ever!

at 6:21:52 on 10/14/2016 UTC



Kam-Ming TL Noooo! We were hoping Edisto would have been okay by early November when we have (or had) our reservations. We usually go every year. Bummer. Hope folks down there are okay and that the area recovers quickly. We hope to return next year, then.

at 1:03:47 on 10/16/2016 UTC



Nancy Geissler Hayes My husband and I come down from western Massachusetts every September/October for 2 weeks to just bask in the glory of your Beautiful Hunting Island. I have renamed it "Heaven on Earth". We were evacuated due to Hurricane Matthew from site #47 and saw a picture that looks like we were the last ones to be camping there for a while. The site seems to be gone! I hope the sea turtle nest was undisturbed by the surf and sand. : (We have reservations for next end September; praying for all of you and our Wonderful Island. Blessings to all.

at 2:20:50 on 10/22/2016 UTC