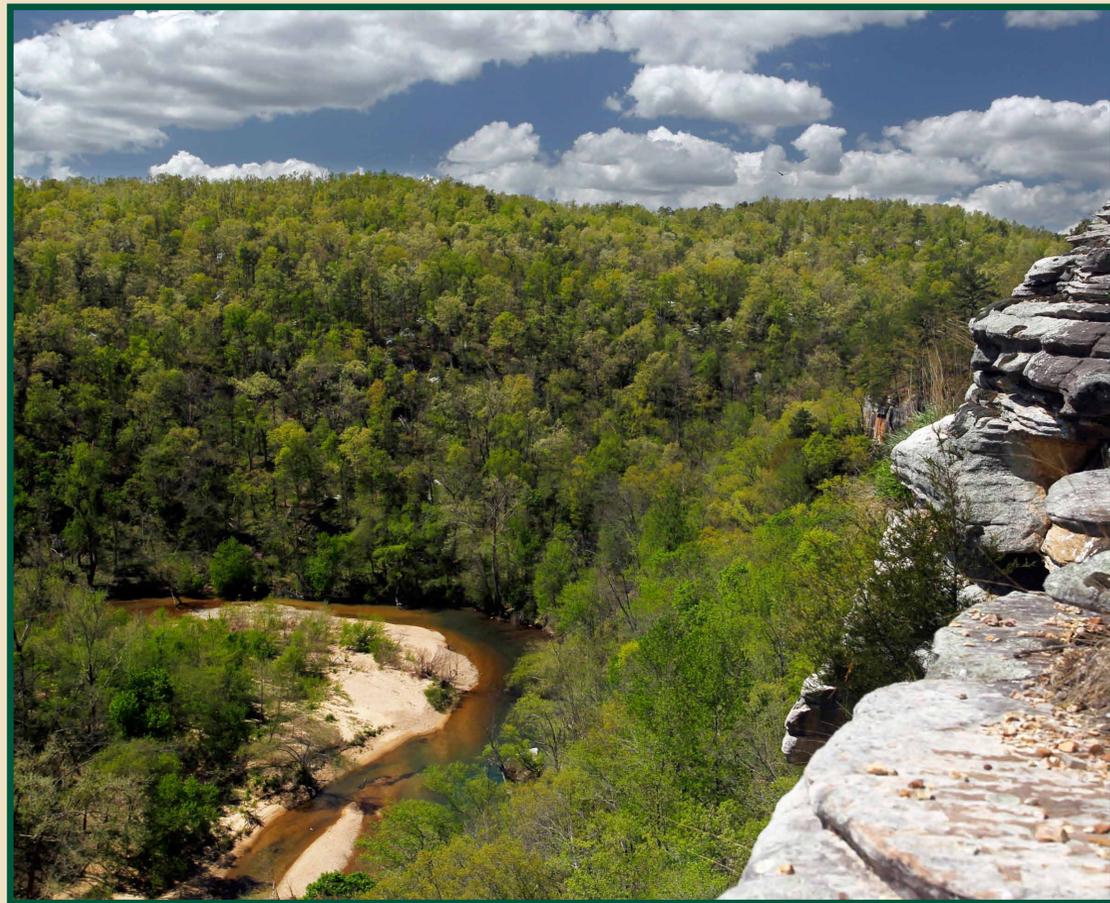




# Kings River Overlook Nature Trail



Bluffs along the Kings River Overlook Nature Trail offer spectacular views of the Kings River's twists and turns. AGFC photo by Mike Wintroath.

Mcllroy Madison County Wildlife Management Area covers more than 14,000 acres of steep Ozark Mountain terrain. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission manages the area, including streams that flow into the Kings River along the WMA's eastern border.

The river winds its way north about 90 miles to the White River, which flows into Missouri's Table Rock Lake. The upper part of the Kings carves through sandstone, shale and limestone, and provides seasonal whitewater excitement for paddlers. The lower stretches provide

year-round floating with deep pools, occasional rapids and several large bluffs. The river holds hefty smallmouth bass and is a great place to watch wildlife.

Hunters find deer, turkey and small game on the WMA. Be aware of hunting seasons and wear hunter orange when appropriate. Learn more at [www.agfc.com](http://www.agfc.com).

Camping and campfires are not allowed along the trail or on the overlook. Designated camping areas are scattered throughout the WMA – one is above this parking area. Repelling is not allowed along the Kings River Overlook Nature Trail.

Much of the Kings River flows through private property, which may be marked by fences, signs or purple paint; avoid intrusion. Rockhouse to Trigger Gap (Arkansas Highway 221) is a popular year-round, 7.7-mile float. Besides Rockhouse, the AGFC maintains an access point upstream at Marble (U.S. Highway 412).

## Important Numbers

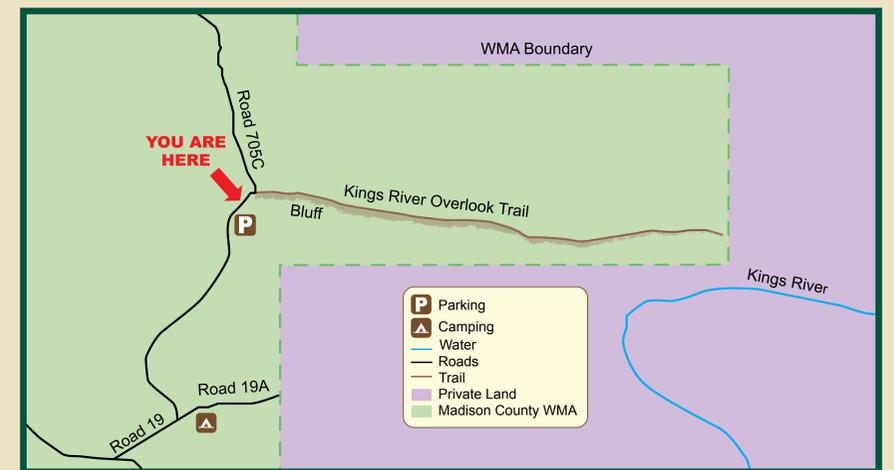
**Madison County EMS – 911**

**Madison County Sheriff – 479-738-2320**

**Wildlife Hotline – 800-440-1477**

## TRAIL MAP

The Kings River Overlook Nature Trail is a moderate, 1-mile, out-and-back hike along a bluff overlooking the Kings River. It's for foot traffic only. **Stay away from the bluff's edge.**



## UPLAND FOREST RESIDENTS

While you're on the trail, keep an eye out for the following:



Bald Eagle



Turkey Vulture



Red-shouldered Hawk



Dogwood



Shortleaf Pine



Eastern Red Cedar



This trail is part of the AGFC's Watchable Wildlife Program. Wildlife viewing is one of the most popular types of outdoor recreation in the U.S. and in Arkansas, perhaps because of the diverse habitats the state offers. The AGFC has established interpretive walking, driving and water trails at several wildlife management areas and around nature centers. Visit [www.agfc.com](http://www.agfc.com) to find more areas to explore and look for wildlife viewing area signs as you travel.

