## New cabins being built at Pickens County park

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SIX MILE — Work is underway to create 10 cabins at Mile Creek Park in Six Mile.

Pickens County administrator Gerald Wilson said Wednesday that the scheduled completion date on the project is sometime in mid-August.

The cabins will have easy access to Lake Keowee and will include one queen bedroom and one bathroom along with bunk beds, a loft and a futon.

At least six of the cabins will sleep six, and others will sleep four, Wilson said.

Wilson said that as part of the Duke Energy relicensing project, the county received \$300,000 to put toward a project. Accommodations tax funding will also be used to fund the construction.

Wilson estimates the project to cost more than



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\$500,000. That includes site work, utilities and roadwork.

"This is a turn-key project," he said.

The cabins are part of a number of enhancements planned for Mile Creek, he said.

"We want to enhance our tourism and bring more people into Pickens County," Wilson said.

Plans call for the restroom facility to be upgraded. A parking redesign is in the works as well.

"We want to try to make it a little more user-friendly as we go forward," Wilson said. Officials also hope to upgrade the power at campsites and create larger pads for campsites.

"We also want to do full hookup camping," Wilson said. "We've got a plan to upgrade the power at all the sites."

This is likely the first phase of cabins at the park

"We're hoping as time goes on to install more cabins," Wilson said.

Officials hope to have a ribbon cutting for the cabins in mid-to-late August.

Wilson said he hopes the cabins will open for rentals around Labor Day.

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