

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 344
SENATE BILL 6

AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE HORSEPASTURE RIVER A NATURAL RIVER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 113A-35.2 is amended by adding a second paragraph to read:

"That segment of the Horsepasture River in Transylvania County extending downstream from Bohaynee Road (N.C. 281) to Lake Jocassee shall be a natural river and shall be included in the N.C. Natural and Scenic Rivers System."

Sec. 2. The Department of Natural Resources and Community Development shall, by January 1, 1986, prepare a management plan for the Horsepasture River section. This plan shall recognize and provide for protection of the existing undeveloped scenic and recreational features of the river and its gorge so as to preserve its outstandingly scenic character in perpetuity. Further, this management plan and the river corridor selected in it shall satisfy Federal requirements for the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System set forth in 16 U.S.C. Sections 1271 and 1273 (a)(ii) and (b) as amended and implementing regulations published in the Federal Register.

The General Assembly requests the Governor to seek inclusion of the Horsepasture River section in the National System of Wild and Scenic Rivers by action of the Secretary of the Interior. Such inclusion shall be at no cost to the Federal government, as prescribed in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 7th day of June, 1985.