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## **IN BRIEF**

### **Cades Cove Loop Road closing for repairs**

**CADES COVE** — The Cades Cove Loop Road will be closed to motorists for a week — Feb. 27-March 5 — to replace a collapsed stream crossing on the south side of the 11-mile, one-way road, weather permitting.

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park Service said hikers and bikers will be allowed access to most of the road during the week's closure.

The work to replace a water ford will be located near the exit of the Loop Road, just past Sparks Lane. Visitors will be required to exit via the two-way gravel Sparks Lane, which will detour visitors back through the entrance to avoid the construction activity.