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## Ozark National Scenic Riverways News Release

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### Seasonal River Boat Access Available at Sinking Creek

Van Buren MO – A new gate is being installed today at Sinking Creek that will allow the public to launch their boats into the Current River during gigging and trapping season. Beginning September 15<sup>th</sup> at the start of gigging season, the gate will be open for boat access from the Sinking Creek gravel bar. Once boats are launched, users will need to park their vehicles and trailers in the designated parking areas and not leave them unattended on the gravel bar itself. Once the gigging and trapping seasons end March 31<sup>st</sup>, the gate will be closed for gravel bar boating access.

“Ozark National Scenic Riverways listened to the fishing and trapping users and their boat access concerns at Sinking Creek”, states Superintendent Bill Black. “The gate allows fishing and trapping recreational boat usage during seasons while maintaining the gravel bar integrity and protecting the river’s resources.”

The gate’s installation should be completed by the end of the day today.

Ozark National Scenic Riverways preserves the free-flowing Current and Jack Fork Rivers, the surrounding natural resources, and the unique cultural heritage of the Ozark people.

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