

Big South Fork River & Recreation/Obed Wild and Scenic River (KY,TN)

Joshua Daugherty is a lifelong resident of East Tennessee. Growing up just outside of Oak Ridge, TN has provided him with an appreciation for the history of the area's involvement in WWII, as well as an appreciation for the state's entire history. In addition, growing up as a frequent visitor to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, along with other area parks, provided him a desire to learn about, help preserve, and educate others about the natural history and ecology of the nation's great public lands and the opportunities they provide. He acquired an Associate's degree in Criminal Justice from Roane State Community College and a Bachelor's degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Science from Tennessee Technological University. He believes it is God's call for his life to be spent preserving our public lands and educating the public about them. Theodore Roosevelt once said, "I recognize the right and duty of this generation to develop and use the natural resources of our land; but I do not recognize the right to waste them, or to rob, by wasteful use, the generations that come after us." This quote is the back bone of Joshua's career aspirations and he is overjoyed by this opportunity to begin his career uplifting our vast and wonderful public resources.

