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SOAKY MOUNTAIN WATERPARK OFFICIALS UNVEIL PLANS FOR NEW RAFTER'S RAGE WATERSLIDE FOR THE 2025 SEASON

(SEVIERVILLE, Tenn.) –Soaky Mountain Waterpark officials today announced its 50-acre waterpark, located at 175 Gists Creek Road, will be adding a new thrill water slide for guests to enjoy in 2025.

Rafter's Rage, produced by WhiteWater, will be an incredibly exciting six-person raft ride that starts roughly eight stories in the air and spans 825 feet. Riders will be capable of reaching speeds of up to 19 mph as they whip down the slide.

According to Dave Andrews, general manager of Soaky Mountain Waterpark, "Our Edge water coaster, which was the first of its kind in the world, has been such a hit we've decided to follow it up with Rafter's Rage, another first-of-its-kind attraction.

"Rafter's Rage will be different than most water slides with high banking turns and steep drops because instead it will feature four artfully crafted arcs that rafts will laterally accelerate over sideways. This thrilling drifting experience —a world's first for a water slide — will extend a rider's zero G feeling, making it an incredible attraction."

The slide will be located adjacent to the park's Avalaunch water coaster behind the Black Bear Rapids Adventure River. It is anticipated to be completed in time for the start of the 2025 season in May.

2025 Season admission passes will be available starting August 12, 2024 for \$99.99 and include one guest daily admission ticket. Daily admission tickets for the 2024 season are \$49.99 (if purchased online) for anyone above 42 inches and \$41.99 for anyone under 42 inches. Children ages three and up require a ticket. All Wilderness at the Smokies' registered guests can purchase a discounted daily admission ticket for \$19.99 at the time of check-in. The 2024 season ends on September 29, 2024.

Soaky Mountain Waterpark, which opened in June 2020, features some of the most thrilling and unique water attractions available, all in a beautiful mountain-modern park setting. It is open daily from Mid-May to Labor

Day and weekends in September. It features two water coasters; a massive wave pool; adventure river; FlowRider; WIBIT obstacle course; flat water cabana pool; little kids' area and four large slide complexes that provide for thrills and excitement all day long.

The park is owned and operated by Wilderness Resorts and Waterparks. For more information visit: SoakyMountainWaterpark.com.

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Wilderness Resorts and Waterparks currently owns and operates Soaky Mountain Waterpark and Wilderness at the Smokies in Sevierville, and Wilderness Resort, Glacier Canyon Lodge, and Wilderness on the Lake, Wild Rock Golf Course, Sundara Spa and Glacier Canyon Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells.