

Press Release: Christine Ellis named Executive Director of Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc.

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**Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc. Names New Executive Director
Christine Ellis to Lead Environmental Nonprofit**

Conway, SC – The Board of Directors of Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc. (WRF) today announced that Christine Ellis has been named WRF’s Executive Director effectively immediately. Ellis has invested over a decade at WRF, initially as the Waccamaw Riverkeeper, then as Deputy Director / River Advocate.

“This is a wonderful time for our organization,” WRF Board President Ronald Hartman commented. “WRF has adopted many new initiatives to advance our mission, strengthen our strategies and strive for clean water protections over the last several years. Christine has been an important part of our success and with Christine’s leadership, WRF is poised for even greater impact and success protecting clean water and healthy communities.”

Ellis joined WRF in 2006 and served as Waccamaw Riverkeeper until 2014 when she transitioned to an advocacy role as River Advocate, focusing on the North Carolina portion of our greater Winyah Bay watershed. Her role expanded to include responsibilities as Deputy Director in 2015, working closely with the Waccamaw Riverkeeper, other WRF staff and WRF’s Board of Directors.

Ellis has a MS in Environmental Management and a BS in Zoology. Her entire career has been in the environmental field and she has a deep commitment to protecting our rivers and their riches for the benefit of our families and our future.

About Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc.

Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc. (WRF) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization whose mission is to protect, preserve, monitor and revitalize the health of the lands and waters of the greater Winyah Bay watershed. WRF hosts the Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER® Program, advocating for clean water and healthy habitats in the Waccamaw watershed. Founded in 2001, we are a licensed member of WATERKEEPER® ALLIANCE, united as one powerful force fighting for every community’s right to drinkable, fishable, swimmable water. To learn more, visit winyahrivers.org.