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Final Fall Foliage Report for 2010

Charleston, W. Va. – Windy and rainy weather pulled much of West Virginia's fall foliage off the trees, but there are still a few areas to enjoy the spectacular colors of the season.

“Right now people wanting to see the last of the fall foliage will see great color on individual trees, such as oak, sumac and maples,” says Bob Damron of the West Virginia Division of Forestry. “That’s especially true in parts of southern West Virginia including Raleigh County. People won’t see huge areas of color this late in the season.”

Good views in southern West Virginia are on State Route 3 from Daniels in Raleigh County to Hinton in Summers County. Oaks are coloring nicely in McDowell County, and any foliage that’s left should be at peak this weekend. People driving through Mercer County will be able to spot some color on U.S. Route 460 from Princeton to the Virginia state line.

In the Eastern Panhandle, leaves are still hanging on, offering batches of color to be seen by anyone taking a scenic drive. Foresters recommend a trip on the George Washington Heritage Trail through Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties. Yellows and gold are the most prominent colors with splashes of reds and oranges.

Leaves in the Kanawha Valley and the western counties are at 90 to 95 percent peak, so this is likely the last weekend to get a glimpse.

This is the final fall foliage report for 2010.

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