PROJECT SITE DESCRIPTION:
The Monongahela National Forest is one of the most ecologically diverse forests in the United States. In the early 1900’s, following massive deforestation and industrialization in the eastern US, the Weeks Act was passed to allow the federal government to purchase land for watershed protection and natural resource management. On April 28, 1920, the Monongahela National Forest was created. Today, the forest contains more than 919,000 acres in West Virginia’s highlands.

On the eastern edge of the forest lies the bucolic Old House Recreation Pavilion, a popular stop for forest visitors and travelers. HistoriCorps and AFHA Hands On volunteers worked together to re-roof the pavilion’s historic roof.

WHO: This project was completed by AmeriCorps Appalachian Forest Heritage Area Hands On Volunteers. Learn more here.

SCOPE OF WORK: In order to rehabilitate the pavilion’s roof, AmeriCorps volunteers worked closely with HistoriCorps field staff in learning new skills and techniques, including:

- Removing existing roofing and decking
- Replacing roof using cedar shakes
- Repairing the pavilion’s roof

WHERE: The pavilion is located about five miles east of Bartow, WV (map)

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