## Creek Travel Plaza voted #1 independent truck stop in nation

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Yesterday it was announced that Creek Travel Plaza (CTP) was voted the top independent truck stop in America, as ranked by the Trucker Path mobile app. Users. Last year, CTP landed just inside the top 25, ranking as the 24th best truck stop in the nation. It was the first time CTP scored high enough to be included in Trucker Path's ranking of the top 100 truck stops in the country.

Since opening their doors in 2012 as an independent truck stop, meaning they have no affiliation with any multi-store franchise or brand, CTP has prided itself on putting customer's first. CTP General Manager Tammy Smith was among the very first employees at CTP, and from many years in the industry knows that keeping the customers happy, comfortable and safe while traveling pays huge dividends in the long run. But she doesn't take the credit for this success.

"This achievement is really a testament to our staff here. It takes effort and commitment on everyone's part to achieve the kind of customer service that merits national recognition, "Smith said. "I am so very proud of our team!"

In addition to being ranked as the number one independent truck stop, CTP also was ranked overall as the number two truck stop in the country and for the second year as the top-ranked truck stop in Alabama.

The rankings are compiled based on feedback and reviews from over 500,000 truck drivers who use the Truck Path app, which lists over 6,000 truck stops nationwide. The Trucker Path survey found that drivers preferred places that have abundant parking, clean bathrooms and facilities, laundry services, free Wi-Fi and good diesel prices. Truck stops that have restaurants with high food quality and sit down service, such as the Diner at CTP, scored the best regarding what users are looking for in a truck stop.

The truck stops are rated using a 0-5 point scale. The number one truck stop nationally, located in Texas, scored a 4.861 rating. CTP's score was 4.773. Only time will tell, but with this close of a margin, it could very well be that next year Atmore's Creek Travel Plaza may indeed achieve the ranking of the number one truck stop in the country.

To view the full list, go to CTP's website, <a href="http://creektravelplaza.com/westminster/index.html">http://creektravelplaza.com/westminster/index.html</a>, or go to <a href="https://truckerpath.com/blog/top-truck-stops-2017/">https://truckerpath.com/blog/top-truck-stops-2017/</a>

## **About Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority**

The Poarch Band of Creek Indians operates a variety of economic enterprises, which employ hundreds of tribal members and area residents. Creek Indian Enterprises Development Authority, the economic development arm of the Tribe, manages tribally-owned nongaming enterprises representing a diverse collection of industries including entertainment, food service, manufacturing, hospitality, travel, and retail.

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