

# **Executive Summary**

Florida Forever is the state's blueprint for conserving our natural and cultural resources and is one of the most successful programs of its kind in the United States. Implemented in 2000, the Florida Forever Act reinforced the importance of conserving the state's natural and cultural heritage; providing urban open space; increasing public recreation opportunities; and supporting quality stewardship of the lands acquired.

The Florida Forever program funds land acquisition to address critical statewide conservation goals, including the protection of water resources; sustainable forestry; the protection of biodiversity and ecological greenways; the preservation of wildlife habitat; environmental restoration; provision of public outdoor recreation; public lands management and maintenance; and the protection of working landscapes through the acquisition of conservation easements.

The \$3 billion investment over the past decade demonstrates Florida's continued commitment to protecting and restoring our vital natural resources. Florida has been at the forefront of the nation's land protection efforts and continues to be the model for other land acquisition programs across the country.



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## **Acquisition and Restoration Council**

The Acquisition and Restoration
Council (ARC) makes recommendations
regarding acquisition, management
and disposition of state-owned
lands. This advisory group includes
four state agency representatives in
addition to members of the public
with backgrounds in land, water or
other environmental sciences as well
as wildlife management, forestry
management, and outdoor recreation.

The Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund (BOT) are responsible for acting on ARC's recommendations. The BOT also approves the acquisition of each parcel and has ultimate oversight over all state-owned lands. The Division of State Lands (DSL) provides primary staff support for ARC and the BOT.





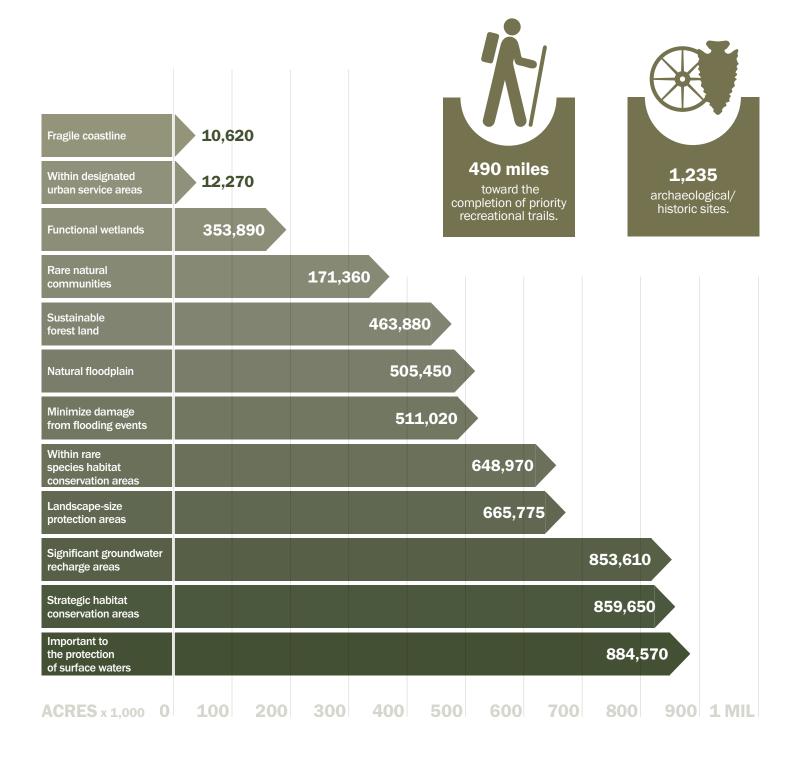
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# **Program Accomplishments**

Since 1963, Florida has conserved more than 4 million acres of land for environmental, recreational and preservation purposes. This has been accomplished through Florida Forever and its predecessor programs.

Collectively, the total acreage protected within Florida Forever projects, including donations and and lands acquired with other program funding, is more than 1 million acres. Land acquired under Florida Forever often achieves multiple resource goals, and the program's success can be measured by the acres protected within 14 categories:

The Florida Forever program has protected over 1 million acres of land with approximately \$3.3 billion.



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## The Florida Ecological Greenways Network

The Florida Ecological Greenways Network (FEGN) is a statewide database that identifies and prioritizes a functionally connected, statewide ecological network of public and private conservation lands. The FEGN has been a key component of the evaluative criteria for Florida Forever projects since 2003. In July 2021, Governor Ron DeSantis signed the Florida Wildlife Corridor Act into law, which designates the Florida Wildlife Corridor and authorizes conservation land acquisition for the benefit of wildlife, Floridians and the economy. The act defines the Florida Wildlife Corridor as Priority 1, Priority 2 or Priority 3 areas of the FEGN.

The new law piqued interest in Florida Forever, and the program received an unprecedented number of applications in 2022. As a result, ARC approved 30 new Florida Forever proposals representing over 108,000 acres of land of which over 83,000 acres are within the Florida Wildlife Corridor.

In 2022, over 20,000 acres within the Florida Wildlife Corridor were acquired through Florida Forever.

#### 216 Acres

Etoniah/Cross Florida Greenway

#### **6.864 Acres**

Fisheating Creek Ecosystem

#### **4.252 Acres**

Kissimmee-St. Johns River Connector

#### 366 Acres

Lake Wales Ridge Ecosystem

#### 142 Acres

Pinhook Swamp

#### **4,102 Acres**

Red Hills Conservation

#### 406 Acres

Wakulla Springs Protection Zone

#### 4,353 Acres

Wolfe Creek Forest



**Project Features:** The Fisheating Creek Ecosystem project contains Fisheating Creek, the only undammed tributary to Lake Okeechobee. The creek flows through vast prairies and flatwoods and connects existing conservation lands. This project helps to ensure the survival of the Florida panther and other native animal and plant species that depend on this critical habitat.

2023 Priority List Rank: 1 Category: Less-Than-Fee **Acquisition Name:** Chaparral Slough Acres Acquired: 6,864 **Acquisition Type:** Less-than-fee

Property Features: The acquisition of Chaparral Slough provides an 11-milelong and 1-mile-wide protected wildlife corridor from the Caloosahatchee River to the Fisheating Creek/Lykes conservation easement and Fisheating Creek Wildlife Management Area. The property contains a diversity of native Florida habitats including mesic hammock, pine flatwoods and dry prairie within the primary and secondary dispersal zones for the endangered Florida panther.



## **Partnerships**

The state's series of successful land acquisition programs also includes a long history of cooperative partnerships with state agencies, land trusts, conservation organizations, local governments and federal agencies. Partnerships may involve a local or regional cost-share agreement that lowers acquisition costs and expands the impact of the program funding or the interim purchase of critical conservation land for subsequent purchase by the state. Additionally, the Florida Forever evaluation and selection process is supported by an interagency team of professionals who represent our partner agencies at the state level.





#### Aucilla/Wacissa Watershed

Project Features: The Aucilla/ Wacissa Watershed project helps protect the hydrological integrity of critical waterbodies by connecting a series of public and private conservation lands extending from the Georgia border to the Gulf Coast. The project includes the Aucilla River, Little Aucilla River, Wacissa River, at least 22 springs and several unique geological features including the Aucilla River Sinks.

**2023 Priority List Rank:** 7 Category: Partnerships and Regional Incentives

**Project Acres: 101,265** 

project area.

Partners: The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Suwannee River Water Management District, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The Nature Conservancy and Tall Timbers Land Conservancy are acquisition partners for various portions of this project. Tall Timbers Land Conservancy, through the Natural Resources Conservation Service Regional Conservation Partnership Program, will invest \$1.5 million into the purchase of conservation easements within the



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## **Sentinel Landscape Partnerships**

DSL is an active participant in the Southeastern Regional Partnership for Planning and Sustainability and works closely with the U.S. Department of Defense through the Readiness and **Environmental Protection Integration** and Sentinel Landscape Partnership programs.

These programs help protect military missions by minimizing land use conflicts near installations through partnerships with the military services, private conservation groups, and state and local governments that share the cost of land acquisition to preserve compatible land uses and natural habitats near installations and ranges. Of the 11 federally-designated sentinel landscapes, Florida is the only state with two: Avon Park Air Force Range Sentinel Landscape (designated in 2016) and Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape (designated in 2021).





#### **Wolfe Creek Forest**

**Project Features:** The Wolfe Creek Forest project helps protect outstanding seepage and blackwater streams that are contiguous with the Blackwater River, and conserve habitat for species such as the Florida black bear and the pine barrens tree frog. The project will provide the public with resource-based recreational opportunities and a critical buffer for military missions at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field.

**2023 Priority List Rank: 16** Category: Critical Natural Lands **Acquisition Name:** Kingfisher Timber LLC Acres Acquired: 3,610 **Acquisition Type:** Fee simple

Property Features: A critical northsouth corridor, this project connects Blackwater River State Forest to NAS Whiting Field. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection finalized the purchase of 3,610 acres within this project from the Trust for Public Land. The property is part of a large, multiphase acquisition partnership among DEP, the U.S. Navy, U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Forest Service, Santa Rosa County and the Knobloch

The property supports areas of native upland pine forest along with intact seepage and blackwater streams and their associated bottomland forest. The Florida Forest Service manages the property as an addition to Blackwater River State Forest.



### **Coastal Resilience**

Conservation of Florida's natural coastal features such as beaches, vegetated dunes, barrier islands, coastal wetlands, salt marsh, mangroves and maritime forests helps protect communities by attenuating storm surge from hurricanes, filtering excess nutrients, and slowing runoff into estuaries and oceans. Strategic land acquisitions also create valuable ecological corridors for the migration of vulnerable animal and plant species and can become natural strongholds to support these species as they adapt to the effects of climate change.





#### **Northeast Florida Blueway**

**Project Features:** The Northeast Florida Blueway project is in one of the fastest-growing regions in the state. Acquisition of priority parcels will help protect and maintain natural communities and wildlife habitat along the Tolomato and Matanzas rivers, benefiting the endangered Florida manatee. This project will help connect existing conservation lands such as the

Estuarine Research Reserve and the Guana River WMA located along these rivers and the Intracoastal Waterway. The project also supports recreational trail connectivity and contributes to ongoing efforts to protect and restore the region's land and water resources.

2023 Priority List Rank: 3 **Category:** Climate Change Lands **Project Acres: 32,591** 



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## **Springs and Water Quality Protection**

Florida's water resources face various complex threats, including decreasing spring flows and excessive nutrients that can lead to algal growth and habitat degradation. Land acquisition is an important tool that can be used to protect watersheds. Large, continuous areas of open space reduce and slow runoff, absorb sediments and excess nutrients, serve as flood control, and help maintain native aquatic communities.

Florida's more than 1,000 springs constitute what may be the largest concentration of freshwater springs on Earth. Our springs support unique ecosystems and supply clean freshwater for many of our rivers. Florida Forever works across the state to conserve and acquire land in critical watersheds and spring recharge zones to prevent nitrate contamination, support Everglades restoration, and provide communities with floodplain and water quality protection.



### Florida's First Magnitude Springs

Project Features: Florida's First
Magnitude Springs project will protect
large springs of clear, continuously
flowing water that are among Florida's
most famous and important natural
resources. The Floridan Aquifer
supplies water for the largest springs
and most of the state's drinking
water. Florida's first magnitude
springs are scattered in the northern
peninsula and the eastern Panhandle,
where the limestone of the Floridan

Aquifer arches close to the surface. By preserving springs and the lands around them, this project aids in the protection of springs and the Floridan Aquifer from the effects of surrounding incompatible uses and pollution. This project will ensure that Floridians along with visitors from all over the world will be able to enjoy Florida springs for years to come.

**2023 Priority List Rank:** 1 **Category:** Partnerships and Regional Incentives

**Project Acres: 18,206** 



## **Working Landscapes**

Florida's rich history of ranching and forestry has shaped our state's economy and our natural landscape. However, this is not a relic of the past: it is very much a contemporary, lived reality for those who ranch, log and reside in the rural areas that still compose most of Florida. While permanent refuges and other natural areas are critical for conservation, the biodiversity that can be found on working lands is also important for wildlife and plant species. These lands are often critically important areas for floodplain protection, water quality protection and aquifer recharge.

As demands on land for development continue and property values rise, land uses such as ranching and forestry that contribute to the conservation of Florida's natural resources are threatened. Florida Forever works with private landowners and our conservation partners across the state to identify and purchase conservation easements that will sustain these working landscapes for future generations of Floridians.



## **Kissimmee-St. Johns River Connector**

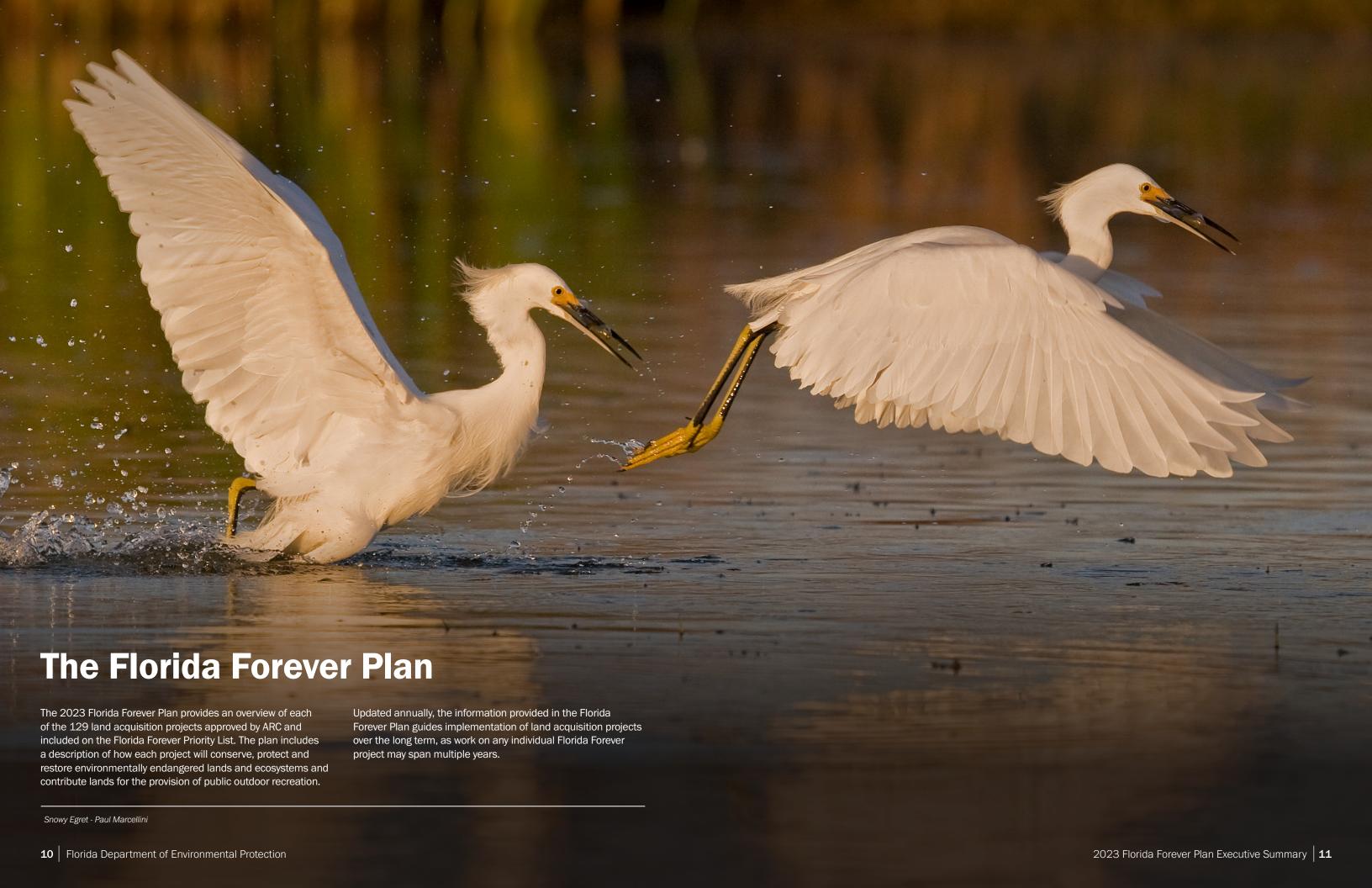
Project Features: The Kissimmee-St. Johns River Connector project prioritizes the ecological and hydrological connection between the Fort Drum Marsh Conservation Area, Kissimmee Prairie Preserve State Park and the Ordway-Whittell Kissimmee Prairie Sanctuary. The project area contains seasonally wet grasslands, pine savannas, and cattle ranches that if protected can help to sustain strategic habitat for the Florida grasshopper sparrow, one of the world's most imperiled bird species.

**2023 Priority List Rank:** 5 **Category:** Less-Than-Fee

**Acquisition Name:** Abington Preserve Acres Acquired: 4,252 acres **Acquisition Type:** Less-than-fee Property Features: The acquisition of this conservation easement will protect valuable wildlife habitat, improve habitat connectivity and provide regional watershed protection that will benefit critical resources within the state park and the Northern **Everglades Headwaters National** Wildlife Refuge and Conservation Area. The property includes ranchland used for cattle production and recreational hunting along with imperiled dry prairie habitat that is crucial for the endangered Florida grasshopper sparrow.



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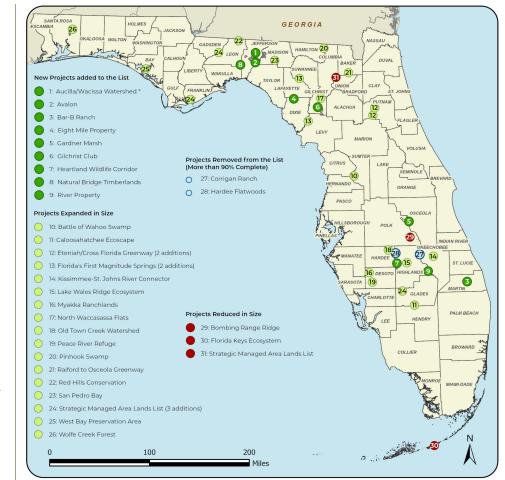


## **Explanation of Project Information**

A project evaluation report is approved by ARC for each project on the Florida Forever Priority List. This report contains resource and planning information compiled from our partner agencies along with a management prospectus (for proposed fee simple projects). Each project description in this plan includes:

- An overview of significant natural and cultural resources.
- The recommended land manager.
- The purpose for state acquisition.
- Public use opportunities.
- Florida Natural Areas Inventory element occurrences.
- Project/parcel acres, acquisition history and boundary modifications.
- A management policy statement and summary of anticipated management costs (fee simple).
- A map showing project boundaries and essential parcels.

The project acres, acres acquired and acres remaining included with each summary reflect the project status as of Dec. 31, 2022. This information is based on the initial project proposal. Acres within a project may be refined over time as improved data are available and as parcels are acquired. Acreage from this plan should be cited as an approximation until such time actual parcels are fully acquired and final acres are determined as part of the official closing process.



## FLORIDA FOREVER PROJECTS NEWLY ADDED TO THE PRIORITY LIST, EXPANDED, REDUCED OR REMOVED DURING 2022

\*Aucilla/Wacissa Watershed was created by combining existing Econfina Timberlands, West Aucilla River Buffer, Wacissa/Aucilla River Sinks, the new Aucilla River Corridor and the Wacissa/Aucilla River Sinks tracts of the St. Joe Timberlands project.





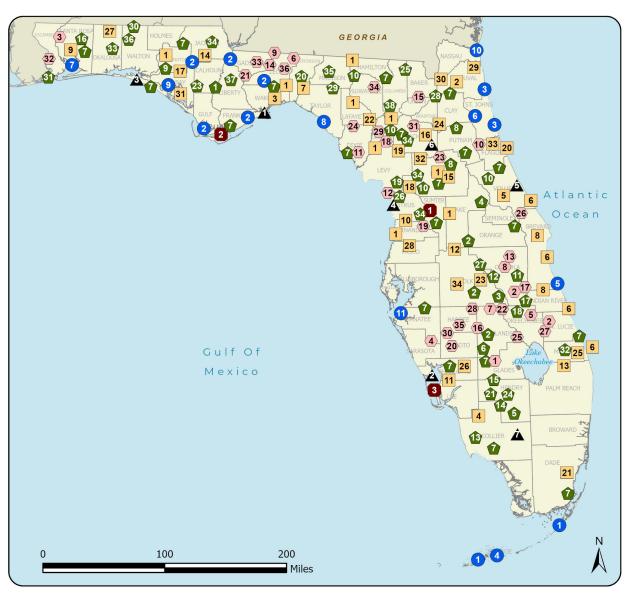
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## **2023 Florida Forever Priority List**

ARC and the BOT approved the following changes for the 2023 Priority List:

- Added nine new projects totaling 86,953 acres.
- Expanded the boundaries of 17 existing projects totaling 21,511 acres.
- Removed two projects from the list that were 90% or more complete.



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#### **Florida Forever Project Categories**

- Climate Change Lands
- Critical Historical Resources
- Critical Natural Lands

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NOTE: Numerals within the symbols represent the project rank within each category. See priority list for project name and details.

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## **2023 Florida Forever Priority List**

## **Critical Natural Lands**

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Apalachicola River	Calhoun, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Liberty	48,860	High
2	Lake Wales Ridge Ecosystem	Highlands, Lake, Osceola	29,285	High
3	Bombing Range Ridge	Highlands, Osceola, Polk	29,716	High
4	Wekiva-Ocala Greenway	Lake, Orange, Seminole, Volusia	22,225	High
5	Panther Glades	Hendry	39,382	High
6	Blue Head Ranch	Highlands	43,051	High
7	Strategic Managed Area Lands List	Alachua, Bay, Broward, Charlotte, Clay, Collier, Columbia, Dixie, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Glades, Hamilton, Hernando, Lafayette, Lake, Levy, Madison, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Orange, Palm Beach, Putnam, Santa Rosa, St. Lucie, Sumter, Taylor, Union, Volusia, Wakulla	11,802	High
8	Etoniah/Cross Florida Greenway	Citrus, Clay, Levy, Marion, Putnam	54,027	High/Medium
9	Forest & Lakes Ecosystem	Bay, Washington	54,862	Medium
10	Longleaf Pine Ecosystem	Gilchrist, Hamilton, Marion, Volusia	9,915	Medium
11	Osceola Pine Savannas	Osceola	23,238	Medium
12	Gardner Marsh	Osceola	5,918	Medium
13	Belle Meade	Collier	4,919	Medium
14	Half Circle L Ranch	Collier, Hendry	11,182	Medium
15	Caloosahatchee Ecoscape	Glades, Hendry	10,763	Medium
16	Wolfe Creek Forest	Santa Rosa	4,254	Medium
17	Pine Island Slough Ecosystem	Osceola	21,895	Medium
18	Triple Diamond	Okeechobee	2,690	Medium
19	South Goethe	Levy, Marion	11,355	Medium
20	Avalon	Jefferson	13,250	Medium
21	Twelvemile Slough	Hendry	8,036	Medium
22	Natural Bridge Timberlands	Jefferson, Leon	5,442	Medium
23	Bear Creek Forest	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf	97,434	Medium/Low
24	Devil's Garden	Collier, Hendry	47,641	Low
25	Pinhook Swamp	Baker, Columbia	54,689	Low

High Priority:	High/Medium Priority	Medium Priority	Medium/Low Priority	Low Priority
Top 1/3 acreage within each category	Portion of project in High Priority Group and portion in Medium Priority Group	Middle 1/3 acreage within each category	Portion of project in Medium Priority Group and portion in Low Priority Group	Bottom 1/3 acreage within each category

# Critical Natural Lands

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
26	Bear Hammock	Marion	4,689	Low
27	Lake Hatchineha Watershed	Osceola, Polk	3,592	Low
28	Camp Blanding to Raiford Greenway	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Union	32,283	Low
29	San Pedro Bay	Madison, Taylor	46,345	Low
30	Natural Bridge Creek	Walton	1,967	Low
31	Perdido Pitcher Plant Prairie	Escambia	2,389	Low
32	Bar-B Ranch	Martin	1,910	Low
33	Shoal River Buffer	Okaloosa	2,188	Low
34	Southeastern Bat Maternity Caves	Alachua, Citrus, Jackson, Marion, Sumter	598	Low
35	Hixtown Swamp	Madison	21,998	Low
36	Upper Shoal River	Walton	12,035	Low
37	Telogia Creek	Liberty	12,428	Low
38	Ichetucknee Trace	Columbia	1,717	Low

## **Partnerships and Regional Incentives**

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Florida's First Magnitude Springs	Bay, Citrus, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hernando, Jackson, Lafayette, Leon, Levy, Madison, Marion, Suwannee, Wakulla, Walton, Washington	7,104	High
2	Northeast Florida Timberlands and Watershed Reserve	Clay, Duval, Nassau	74,314	High
3	Wakulla Springs Protection Zone	Leon, Wakulla	3,305	High
4	Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed	Collier, Lee	31,188	High
5	Volusia Conservation Corridor	Flagler, Volusia	17,819	High
6	Indian River Lagoon Blueway	Brevard, Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, Volusia	18,118	High
7	Aucilla/Wacissa Watershed	Jefferson, Madison, Taylor	40,240	High/Medium
8	Brevard Coastal Scrub Ecosystem	Brevard	20,520	Medium
9	Clear Creek/Whiting Field	Santa Rosa	2,867	Medium
10	Annutteliga Hammock	Citrus, Hernando	8,796	Medium

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# Partnerships and Regional Incentives

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
11	Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods	Charlotte, Lee	6,577	Medium
12	Green Swamp	Lake, Pasco, Polk	161,238	Medium/Low
13	Pal-Mar	Palm Beach, Martin	9,333	Low
14	Middle Chipola River	Calhoun, Jackson	12,265	Low
15	Heather Island/ Ocklawaha River	Marion	13,647	Low
16	Lochloosa Forest	Alachua	4,693	Low
17	Sand Mountain	Bay, Washington	14,534	Low
18	Rainbow River Corridor	Citrus, Marion	1,058	Low
19	Watermelon Pond	Alachua, Levy	5,238	Low
20	Flagler County Blueway	Flagler	3,891	Low
21	Dade County Archipelago	Miami-Dade	303	Low
22	Lafayette Forest	Lafayette	10,253	Low
23	Catfish Creek	Polk	3,231	Low
24	Lake Santa Fe	Alachua, Bradford	8,875	Low
25	Atlantic Ridge Ecosystem	Martin	8,175	Low
26	Hall Ranch	Charlotte	7,503	Low
27	Welannee Watershed Forest	Okaloosa	8,378	Low
28	Crossbar/Al Bar Ranch	Pasco	12,440	Low
29	Pumpkin Hill Creek	Duval	6,709	Low
30	Baldwin Bay/St. Marys River	Duval, Nassau	8,397	Low
31	Crayfish Habitat Restoration	Bay	2,348	Low
32	Carr Farm/Price's Scrub	Alachua, Marion	428	Low
33	Pringle Creek Forest	Flagler	8,446	Low
34	Wilson Ranch	Polk	451	Low

## Less-Than-Fee

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Fisheating Creek Ecosystem	Glades, Highlands	119,329	High
2	Adams Ranch	Osceola, St. Lucie	32,990	High
3	Coastal Headwaters Longleaf Forest	Escambia, Santa Rosa	97,456	High/Medium
4	Myakka Ranchlands	DeSoto, Manatee, Sarasota	32,387	Medium
5	Kissimmee-St. Johns River Connector	Indian River, Okeechobee	35,543	Medium
6	Red Hills Conservation	Jefferson, Leon	13,701	Medium

## Less-Than-Fee

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Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
7	Arbuckle Creek Watershed	Highlands	2,353	Medium
8	Big Bend Swamp/ Holopaw Ranch	Osceola	40,858	Medium
9	Ochlockonee River Conservation Area	Gadsden, Leon	3,881	Medium
10	Matanzas to Ocala Conservation Corridor	Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns	96,707	Medium
11	Lower Suwannee River and Gulf Watershed	Dixie	25,339	Medium/Low
12	Gulf Hammock	Levy	25,611	Low
13	Conlin Lake X	Osceola	3,522	Low
14	Ayavalla Plantation	Leon	6,098	Low
15	Raiford to Osceola Greenway	Baker, Union	68,825	Low
16	Heartland Wildlife Corridor	Hardee, Highlands	9,579	Low
17	Ranch Reserve	Brevard, Indian River, Osceola	12,519	Low
18	Gilchrist Club	Gilchrist	23,298	Low
19	Withlacoochee River Corridor	Citrus, Hernando	3,286	Low
20	Peace River Refuge	DeSoto	3,736	Low
21	Hosford Chapman's Rhododendron Protection Zone	Gadsden, Liberty	6,890	Low
22	Eastern Scarp Ranchlands	Highlands	2,214	Low
23	Mill Creek	Marion	10,135	Low
24	Eight Mile Property	Dixie	5,717	Low
25	River Property	Highlands	3,068	Low
26	Maytown Flatwoods	Brevard, Volusia	1,613	Low
27	Bluefield to Cow Creek	Okeechobee, St. Lucie	7,731	Low
28	Old Town Creek Watershed	Hardee, Polk	2,291	Low
29	North Waccasassa Flats	Gilchrist	14,715	Low
30	Horse Creek Ranch	DeSoto, Hardee	16,316	Low
31	San Felasco Conservation Corridor	Alachua	376	Low
32	Lower Perdido River Buffer	Escambia	2,338	Low
33	Little River Conservation Area	Gadsden	2,293	Low
34	<b>Suwannee County Preservation</b>	Suwannee	1,254	Low
35	Limestone Ranch	Hardee	6,382	Low
36	Millstone Plantation	Leon	83	Low

### **Climate Change Lands**

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Florida Keys Ecosystem	Monroe	5,668	High
2	St. Joe Timberland	Bay, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Leon, Liberty, Wakulla, Walton, Washington	52,191	High/Medium
3	Northeast Florida Blueway	Duval, Flagler, St. Johns	10,970	Medium/Low
4	Coupon Bight/Key Deer	Monroe	985	Low
5	Archie Carr Sea Turtle Refuge	Brevard, Indian River	171	Low
6	St. Johns River Blueway	Clay, St. Johns	17,151	Low
7	Garcon Ecosystem	Santa Rosa	3,248	Low
8	Taylor Sweetwater Creek	Taylor	3,742	Low
9	West Bay Preservation Area	Bay	4,598	Low
10	Tiger Island/Little Tiger Island	Nassau	647	Low
11	Terra Ceia	Manatee	2,292	Low

### **Substantially Complete**

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Dickerson Bay/Bald Point	Franklin, Wakulla	3,076	High
2	Charlotte Harbor Estuary	Charlotte, Lee, Sarasota	5,403	High/Medium
3	South Walton County Ecosystem	Walton	2,583	Medium
4	Florida Springs Coastal Greenway	Citrus	8,786	Medium/Low
5	Spruce Creek	Volusia	358	Low
6	Lochloosa Wildlife	Alachua	4,446	Low
7	Save Our Everglades	Collier	24	Low

### **Critical Historical Resources**

Rank	Project	County <sup>1</sup>	Remaining Acres	Work Plan Priority <sup>2</sup>
1	Battle of Wahoo Swamp	Sumter	1,623	High
2	Pierce Mound Complex	Franklin	562	Low
3	Pineland Site Complex	Lee	144	Low

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Counties with no remaining acreage to acquire in a project not listed here. See project summaries for counties in which acquisitions are complete.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Work Plan Priority Groups pursuant to Rule 18-24.006(6), Florida Administrative Code.



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