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Aug. 11, 2026

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The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

The Honorable Ben Albritton
President, Florida Senate
409 The Capitol
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The Honorable Daniel Perez
Speaker, Florida House of Representatives
420 The Capitol
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Ms. Kara Collins-Gomez
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Dear Governor DeSantis, President Albritton, Speaker Perez and Coordinator Collins-Gomez:

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) holds agreements with 89 Citizen Support Organizations (CSOs). Pursuant to section 20.058, Florida Statutes, each CSO is required to report information related to its organization, mission and finances to DEP annually by Aug. 1. DEP is required to report by Aug. 15 of each year to the Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, the information provided by each CSO, including a recommendation with supporting rationale to “continue,” “terminate” or “modify” DEP’s association with each.

The enclosed report includes DEP’s recommendations and rationale related to each CSO. The report, supporting documentation and links to their individual websites (if applicable) can be

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found on DEP's website at: FloridaDEP.gov/comm/comm/content/citizen-support-organizations-reports.

If you have questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact me or Bryan Bradner, Deputy Secretary for Land and Recreation, at 850-245-2043.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mara Gambineri', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mara Gambineri
Chief of Staff

Enclosures

cc: Bryan Bradner, Deputy Secretary for Land and Recreation, DEP
Adam Blalock, Deputy Secretary for Ecosystems Restoration, DEP
Alex Cronin, Director of Legislative Affairs, DEP



2026 Citizen Support Organization Annual Report

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Division of Recreation and Parks

Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection

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2026 CITIZEN SUPPORT ORGANIZATION ANNUAL REPORT

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Introduction

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) holds agreements with Citizen Support Organizations (CSOs) through its Division of Recreation and Parks (DRP) and Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection (ORCP). DRP manages agreements with 76 CSOs and the ORCP manages agreements with 13 CSOs, for a total of 89 CSOs.

Pursuant to section 20.058, Florida Statutes, each CSO is required to report information related to its organization, mission and finances to DEP by Aug. 1 of each year. The reporting requirements include:

- Name, mailing address, telephone number and website address of the organization.
- Statutory authority or executive order pursuant to which the organization was created.
- Brief description of the mission of, and results obtained by, the organization.
- Brief description of the plans of the organization for the next three fiscal years.
- Copy of the organization's code of ethics.
- Copy of the organization's most recent federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax form (IRS Form 990).

Additionally, DEP is required to report by Aug. 15 of each year to the Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability the information provided by each CSO, including a recommendation with supporting rationale to continue, terminate or modify DEP's association with each.

Following the passage of 2014 legislation which created sections 20.058 and 112.3251, Florida Statutes, DEP continued to work with the CSOs to generate awareness and compliance with these new requirements. To ensure compliance with the new laws, CSOs were provided with information on the new requirements, a report template, a model code of ethics and instructions for submitting the required documents. Because of this ongoing effort, DEP received the required information from 87 CSOs for this annual report.

Support Organization Reports

Each of the CSO reports includes three components: Main Report, Code of Ethics and an IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-N or IRS Form 8868. After receiving the documentation, DEP compiled the components into one .pdf document per CSO. As required, the .pdfs and links to each CSO's website, if applicable, can be found on DEP's website at:

FloridaDEP.gov/comm/comm/content/citizen-support-organizations-reports.

Agency Recommendations

DEP recommends it "continue" its association with 87 CSOs and "modify" its relationship with two CSOs.

Citizen Support Organization	Office/Division	Report Complete	Agency Recommendation	Rationale
Aquatic Preserve Alliance of Central Florida, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Aquatic Preserve Society, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Estero Bay Buddies, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Biscayne Bay, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	No	Modify	An incomplete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Rookery Bay, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Charlotte Harbor Aquatic Preserves, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Reserve, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Spoil Islands, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the St. Joseph Bay Preserves, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Our Florida Reefs, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
St. George Lighthouse Association, Inc.	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Tampa Bay Aquatic Preserve	Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Florida State Parks Foundation, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Blackwater Heritage Trail, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Camp Helen State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Eden State Gardens, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Florida Caverns State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	No	Modify	A 2026 CSO report was not provided.
Friends of Franklin County State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Grayton Beach State Park and Deer Lake State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Maclay Gardens, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Pensacola State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of St. Andrews State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of St. Joseph State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Torreya State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Natural Bridge Historical Society, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
The Friends of Topsail Hill Preserve State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Dudley Farm, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Fort Clinch, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.

Citizen Support Organization	Office/Division	Report Complete	Agency Recommendation	Rationale
Friends of Ichetucknee Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of O'Leno, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Paynes Prairie, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Rainbow Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of San Felasco, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Talbot Islands State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Crystal River State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Farm, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Gold Head Associates, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
North Florida Springs Alliance, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Olustee Battlefield Citizen Support Organizations, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Rails to Trails of the Withlacoochee, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Stephen Foster Citizen Support Organization, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
The Friends of Fort Cooper, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Citizens for the St. Sebastian Preserve, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Fort Mose Historical Society: African American Community of Freedom, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Anastasia State Recreation Area, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Blue Spring State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Colt Creek State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of De Leon Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Dunns Creek State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Gamble Rogers State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Kissimmee Prairie Preserve, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Lake Griffin State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Lake Louisa State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Ravine Gardens, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Sebastian Inlet State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Silver Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Tomoka Basin State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Washington Oaks Gardens State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Wekiva Wilderness Trust, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.

Citizen Support Organization	Office/Division	Report Complete	Agency Recommendation	Rationale
Barrier Island Parks Society, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Anclote Key State Park and Lighthouse, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Collier-Seminole State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Fakahatchee, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Highlands Hammock State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Koreshan State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Little Manatee River Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Lovers Key, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Oscar Scherer Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Island Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Myakka River, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Weeki Wachee Springs State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Gamble Plantation Preservation Alliance, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Hillsborough River State Park Preservation Society, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Paynes Creek Preservation Alliance, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Salt Springs Alliance, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Supporters of Delnor-Wiggins Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Bahia Honda State Park	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Birch State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Cape Florida, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Oleta River State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of Savannas Preserve State Park, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
Friends of the Islamorada Area State Parks, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.
The Barnacle Society, Inc.	Division of Recreation and Parks	Yes	Continue	A complete 2026 CSO Report was provided.