



# Division of Recreation and Parks Management Plan Updates

Collier-Seminole • Delnor-Wiggins Pass • Estero Bay Preserve  
Fakahatchee Strand Preserve • Koreshan Historic • Lovers Key • Mound Key Archaeological

The Division of Recreation and Parks is updating the Unit Management Plans for seven parks in Southwest Florida. Many proposed improvements focus on storm recovery following recent hurricanes and building more resilient facilities that will allow parks to reopen more quickly after future storms while continuing to protect natural and cultural resources.



## Planned Improvements

### Collier-Seminole State Park

- Redevelop the campground to increase resilience to storm impacts.
- Resurface roads and parking areas to improve visitor access and safety.
- Develop new interpretive features and educational elements to further enrich the visitor experience.
- Reconstruct Blackwater Creek Day Use Area's restroom facilities and pavilions.
- Evaluate and improve the trail system to expand access to recreational opportunities and improve connectivity throughout the park.

### Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park

- Redevelop beach access parking areas and restore surrounding habitats to strengthen resilience to storms and protect natural resources.
- Upgrade the park entrance to improve visitor access and improve operations.
- Enhance visitor amenities through the construction of improved restroom facilities.
- Develop new interpretive features and educational elements to further enrich the visitor experience.
- Develop the North Point Nature Trail to expand hiking access and other nature-based recreational opportunities.

### Estero Bay Preserve State Park

- Install low-water crossings and other stabilization methods along flood-prone trail segments to improve safety and maintain access during wet conditions.
- Develop new interpretive features and educational elements to further enrich the visitor experience.
- Improve visitor amenities through the construction of a restroom facility.
- Restore and revegetate trail segments to improve both habitat quality and visitor access.
- Implement visitor management strategies for trail access to support sustainable recreation.



### Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park

- Improve trail connectivity throughout the park and expand hiking opportunities to provide visitors with greater access to natural areas and recreational experiences.
- Replace the Big Cypress Bend Boardwalk and establish a connection to the Glades Marsh Boardwalk to enhance accessibility and visitor exploration.
- Develop new interpretive and educational elements to highlight the park’s unique natural resources.
- Enhance the park entrance to improve visitor access and experience.
- Maintain roads and parking areas to improve safety and accessibility for visitors.

### Koreshan Historic State Park

- Expand visitor access to the park’s historic features to showcase and preserve its cultural heritage.
- Enhance visitor amenities by adding new restroom facilities and improved paved parking areas.
- Redevelop the campground with upgraded facilities designed to improve the overall visitor experience.
- Construct new maintenance facilities and redevelop RV sites to support park operations and volunteers.
- Continue evaluating and enhancing interpretive features and educational elements to further improve the visitor experience.

### Lovers Key State Park

- Upgrade the park entrance to improve traffic flow, visitor access and safety.
- Reconstruct the concessions building and restore restroom facilities damaged by previous hurricanes.
- Construct a new restroom facility and reconnect the boardwalk bridge to restore beach access.
- Rebuild a staff residence and improve facilities damaged by recent hurricanes to support more efficient storm recovery efforts.
- Develop new interpretive features and educational elements to highlight the park’s resources.

### Mound Key Archaeological State Park

- Expand interpretive and educational elements to showcase the park’s unique cultural resources.
- Enhance preservation and protection efforts for the park’s significant archaeological resources.

### Public Comments

Public input is an important and valued part of all DEP decision-making, and we encourage the community to take advantage of this opportunity. People can provide oral comments at the meeting by visiting the comment table. Written comments are also welcome and can be submitted either at the comment table during the meeting or by email to [FLStateParkPlanning@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:FLStateParkPlanning@FloridaDEP.gov). The public comment period will conclude on Aug. 14, 2026.



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