



**Florida Department of Environmental Protection**

**OFFICE OF GREENWAYS AND TRAILS  
APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION  
OF PUBLIC LANDS OR WATERWAYS  
AS PART OF THE FLORIDA GREENWAYS AND TRAILS SYSTEM**

Required Signatures:    Adobe Signature

**R2018 0559    APR 1 0 2018**

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**PROJECT ELIGIBILITY**

Public lands and waterways located within the state may be designated by the Department as components of the Florida Greenways and Trails System upon compliance with the requirements of Section 62S-1.400, F.A.C.

**CONSENT OF LANDOWNER REQUIRED**

Section 260.014, Florida Statutes, provides that "no lands or waterways may be designated as a part of the statewide system of greenways and trails without the specific written consent of the landowner." Furthermore, if public access is contemplated for any portion of the project, both the owner(s) and the proposed managing entity must provide the Department with written authorization detailing the public access permitted on the project. Accordingly, the sponsor of each project proposed for designation is strongly encouraged to communicate and collaborate with all potentially affected landowners and land managers throughout all stages of the designation process.

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. All responses on the Application must be typed or legibly printed. If a particular item does not apply to the project, the proper response is "Not Applicable." Do not leave a response area blank.
2. If additional space is needed for a response, indicate that additional sheets(s) are attached, and identify the information contained within each additional sheet by noting the Application item number to which it relates.
3. All "Required Attachments" listed in the next section of the instructions must be attached to and submitted with the application.
4. Applicants must submit an original Application, one (1) original of each Required Attachment and any other supporting documentation.
5. Do not fax any portion of the Application or attachments to the Office of Greenways and Trails. All faxed information received that relates to a pending application will not be accepted.
6. The Application, together with supporting attachments and documentation, must be mailed or delivered to the following address:

Office of Greenways and Trails  
Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd.  
Mail Station 795  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

## **REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS**

The following items must be attached to the Application at the time of submittal:

- A. An "Owner Consent," DRP-097, effective July 10, 2003, signed by each record title owner of the property proposed for designation.
- B. A "Management Certificate," DRP-098, effective July 10, 2003, signed by the managing entity of the property proposed for designation.
- C. If available, photographs of various sites and features within the project that show typical landscape characteristics, labeled with location and orientation and cross-referenced to the location map described in the following paragraph.
- D. An accurate location map of sufficient scale and detail to clearly delineate all project property boundaries in relation to other area greenways or trails, county roadways, major topographic features (such as rivers, lakes and power lines) and local government boundaries (if any). The location map must state the length of trails and total project acreage, and should indicate points of interest or special features. When the project provides for public access to existing or proposed trails, the location map must identify the trail alignment, public access points, trailheads and facilities to accommodate the proposed types of public uses over the extent of the trails.

**APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION  
OF PUBLIC LANDS OR WATERWAYS**

NAME OF PROJECT:

Hungryland Slough Natural Area

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

S of Beeline Hwy, N and W of C-18 Canal, and E of J.W. Corbett WMA

COUNTY/COUNTIES:

Palm Beach County

OWNER OF PROJECT:

Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners

PLEASE NOTE: A completed and signed "Owner Consent," DRP-097, effective July 10, 2003, must be attached to this Application at the time of submittal.

CONTACT:

Melissa McKinlay, Mayor

ADDRESS:

301 N. Olive Avenue, 12th Floor, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

TELEPHONE:

( 561 ) 355-2001

FAX: ( 561 ) 355-3990

MANAGING ENTITY  
OF PROJECT:

Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management

PLEASE NOTE: A completed and signed "Management Certificate," DRP-098, effective July 10, 2003, must be attached to this Application at the time of submittal.

CONTACT:

Deborah Drumm, Director

ADDRESS:

2300 North Jog Road, 4th Floor, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

TELEPHONE:

( 561 ) 233-2400

FAX: ( 561 ) 233-2414

PROJECT SUBMITTED BY (Check one):



OWNER



MANAGING ENTITY



TYPE OF PROJECT (Check One):

☐ National park, forest or trail, preserve, seashore, wildlife refuge, wild scenic river, military reservation, Native American Lands, or other (describe):

☐ State park unit, forest, recreation area, submerged land, wildlife management area, historical or archaeological site, ornamental or botanical garden, university system property, museum or other special feature site, public game area, preserve, or other (describe):

☐ Lands owned by a port authority, flood control district, water management district, navigation district or other agency created by general or special law (describe):

☒ Local government conservation or recreation land, urban open space area or other (describe):  
This project includes 2,987 acres of conservation land which preserves native Florida ecosystems, and provides for passive recreation, environmental education and research.

Please attach a location map and general description of the lands and/or waterways proposed for designation, including the length of trails, total acreage and points of interest or special features. If trails will be available for public access, please identify the trail alignment, public access points, trailheads, and facilities to accommodate the proposed types of public uses over the length of the trail(s). Photographs and printed brochures or other information may also be attached, if available.

The undersigned hereby certify that the Project consists solely of Public Conservation or Recreation Lands or Waterways, as that term is defined in Section 62S-1.100(19), F.A.C., and that the undersigned will negotiate with the Office of Greenways and Trails to formulate and thereafter enter into a mutually satisfactory designation agreement to govern the Project's participation in the Florida Greenways and Trails System.

SIGNATURES OF SUBMITTING PARTY(IES):

R2018 0559

*Melissa McKinlay*

DATE: APR 10 2018

Melissa McKinlay, Mayor

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ OWNER ☐ MANAGING ENTITY (CHECK ONE)

Return Completed and Signed Application To:

Sharon F. Eock, Clerk of the Board

FLORIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Office of Greenways and Trails  
Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Mail Station 795  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000  
Telephone: (850) 245-2052

*Arne Rebert*  
COUNTY ATTORNEY

By *Sharon F. Eock*  
Clerk of the Board





**ATTACHMENT A**

**OWNER CONSENT FORM**



Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
OFFICE OF GREENWAYS AND TRAILS  
OWNER CONSENT  
TO DESIGNATION OF LANDS OR WATERWAYS AS PART OF  
THE FLORIDA GREENWAYS AND TRAILS SYSTEM

Required Signatures: Adobe Signature

R2018 0559

TO: Office of Greenways and Trails  
Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Mail Station 795  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

RE: Hungryland Slough Natural Area  
Name of Project  
S of Beecline Highway, N and W of C-18 Canal, and E of J.W. Corbett Wildlife Management Area (J.W. Corbett WMA)  
Address or Location of Project

FROM: Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners  
Name of Owner(s)  
301 N. Olive Avenue, 12th Floor, West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
Address, City, State and Zip Code of Owner(s)  
561 355-2001  
Telephone No.  
561 355-3990  
Facsimile No.

The undersigned Owner(s) of fee simple title in and to the lands and/or waterways described on the attached Exhibit "A," all of which lie within the project boundary of the above-named greenways and trails project, hereby consents to designation of said lands and/or waterways as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System. By execution of this consent, the undersigned confirms said Owner(s)' willingness to negotiate with representatives of the Department of Environmental Protection to formulate a mutually satisfactory designation agreement to govern participation of the Owner(s)' lands and/or waterways in the Florida Greenways and Trails System.

DATE: APR 10 2018

OWNER(S) OF LANDS OR WATERWAYS:

Melissa McKinlay, Mayor

[Printed Name of Owner]

Melissa McKinlay  
[Signature of Owner]

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL EFFICIENCY

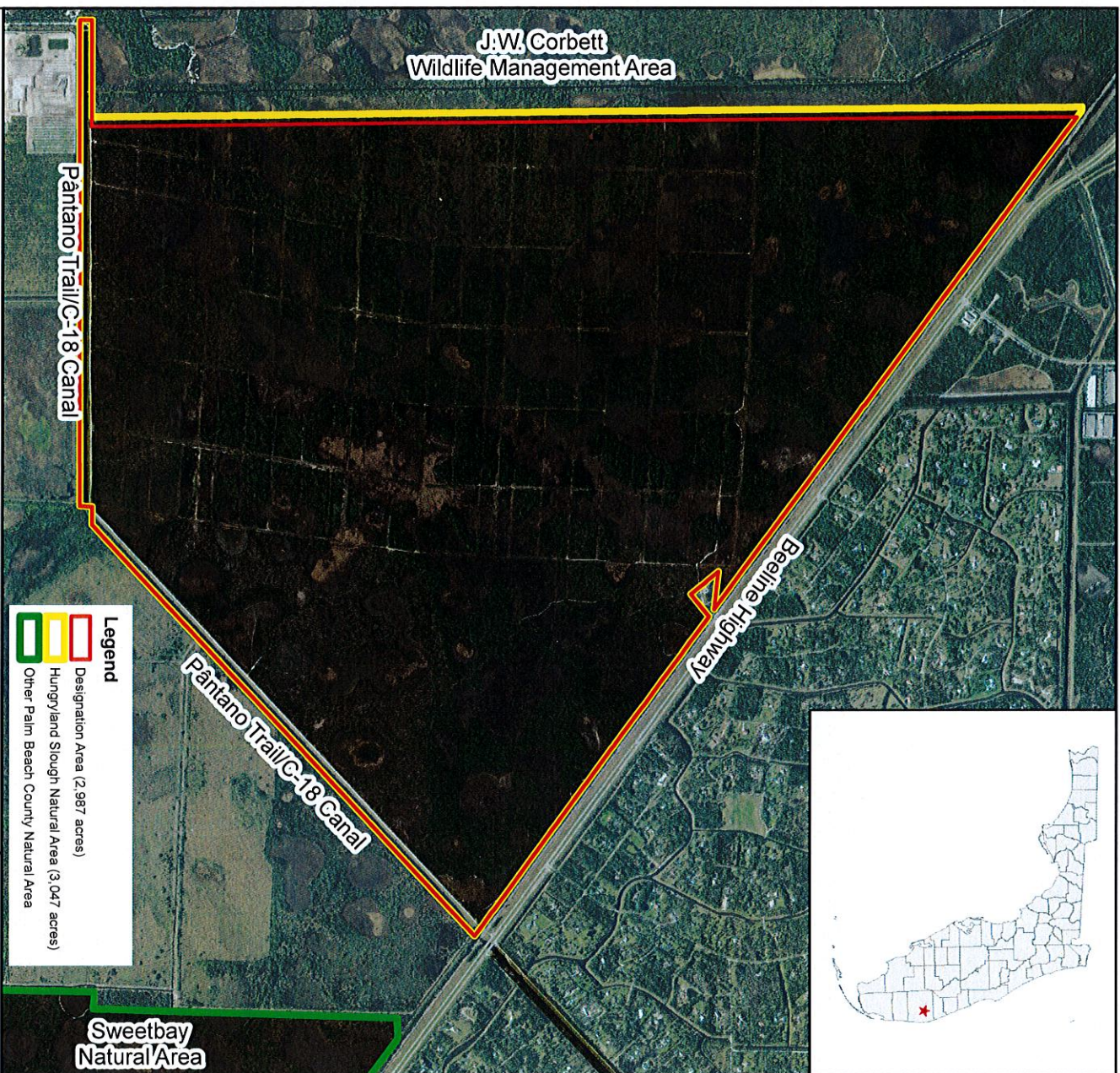
Sharon R. Bock, Clerk of the Board  
Palm Beach County

By [Signature] Deputy Clerk  
APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS.  
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY DATE





# EXHIBIT A



## Legend

- Designation Area (2,987 acres)
- Hungryland Slough Natural Area (3,047 acres)
- Other Palm Beach County Natural Area

0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles



## Hungryland Slough Natural Area Greenways & Trails Site Designation Map

\*A 160-ft road right of way is excluded from the proposed designation area



Palm Beach County  
Department of Environmental  
Resources Management

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**ATTACHMENT B**

**MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**



**Florida Department of Environmental Protection**  
**OFFICE OF GREENWAYS AND TRAILS**  
**MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**  
**FOR DESIGNATION OF LANDS OR WATERWAYS AS PART OF**  
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**TO:**    Office of Greenways and Trails  
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**RE:**    Hungryland Slough Natural Area

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Address or Location of Project

**FROM:**    Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Managing Entity  
Deborah Drum, Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contact/Representative  
2300 N Jog Road, 4th Floor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Managing Entity  
West Palm Beach, FL 33411

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State and Zip Code  
( 561 ) 233-2400                      ( 561 ) 233-2414  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number                      Facsimile Number  
Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Owner of Property Proposed for Designation\*\*  
301 N. Olive Avenue, 12th Floor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Owner of Property Proposed for Designation  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State and Zip Code  
( 561 ) 355-2001                      ( 561 ) 355-3990  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number                      Facsimile Number

\*\* Attach additional sheet(s) if more than one owner

The undersigned Managing Entity hereby ratifies and confirms:

- (1) That it is willing to manage the Project following its designation by the Department of Environmental Protection as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System;
- (2) That management of the project will be based on and proceed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the following:
  - (a) Existing leases, subleases, management plans, licenses, easements or other agreements or encumbrances previously executed and currently in effect for any portion of the lands or waterways located within the Project; and
  - (b) A designation agreement to be negotiated among and executed by the undersigned Managing Entity, the Owner(s) of the lands or waterways proposed for designation and the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection, which designation agreement shall be subordinate to any existing leases, agreements or other encumbrances described in paragraph (a) above.
- (3) That in the event the undersigned ceases to be the Managing Entity of the Project or if the aforementioned designation agreement is amended, rescinded or otherwise terminated for any reason, the undersigned will notify the Department's Office of Greenways and Trails within five (5) business days following the occurrence of any such event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this instrument to be signed as of the date set forth below.

MANAGING ENTITY

Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management

[Print Name of Managing Entity]

By: 

Print Name: Deborah Drum

Title: Director

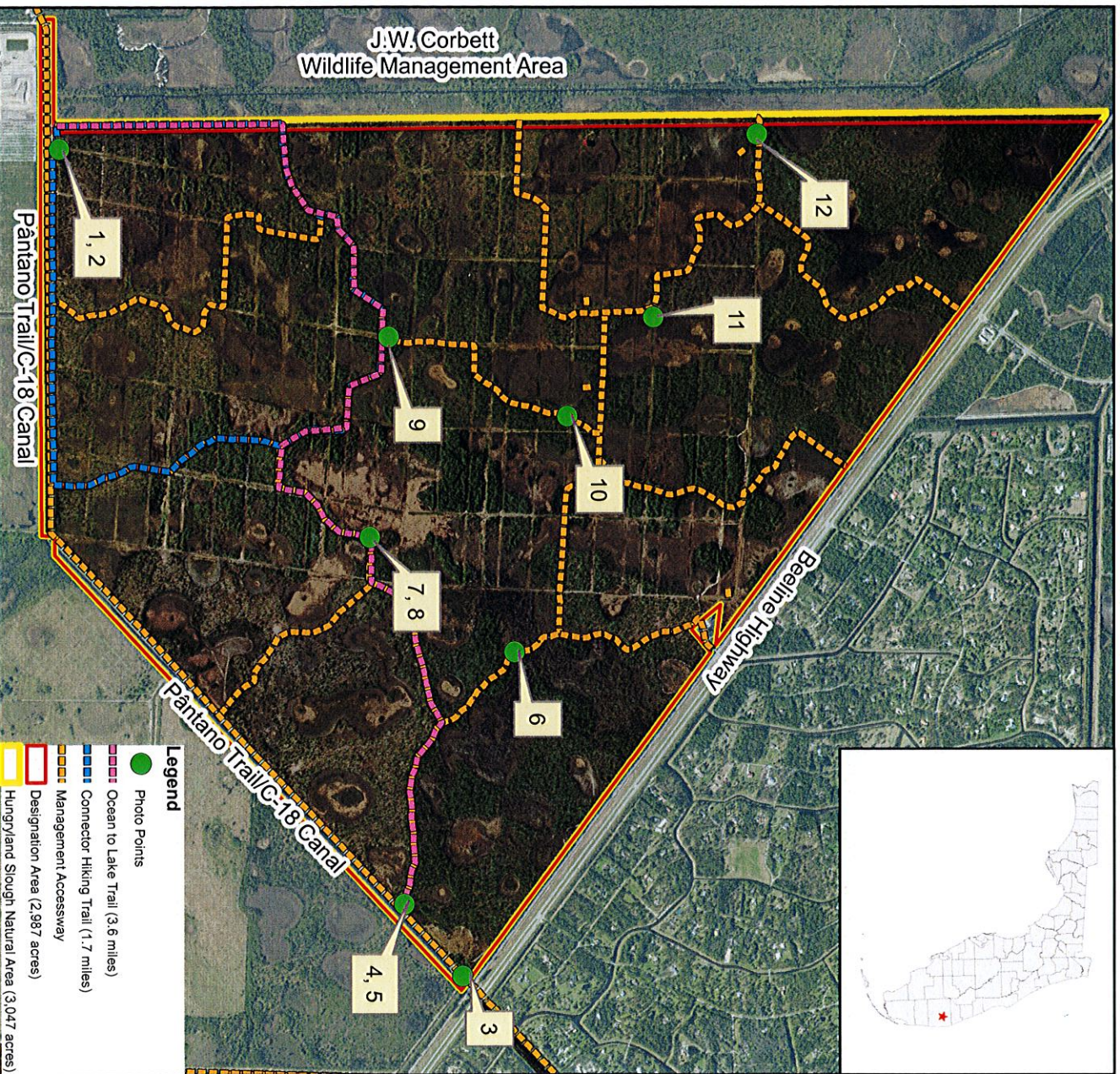
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ATTACHMENT C

PHOTO LOCATION MAP AND SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

Photo Location Map



0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles



# Hungryland Slough Natural Area Greenways & Trails Site Photo Points Map

\*A 160-ft road right of way is excluded from the proposed designation area



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Photo Point 1 : Looking north at the natural area entrance sign, parking lot and bike rack from the C-18 Canal access road.

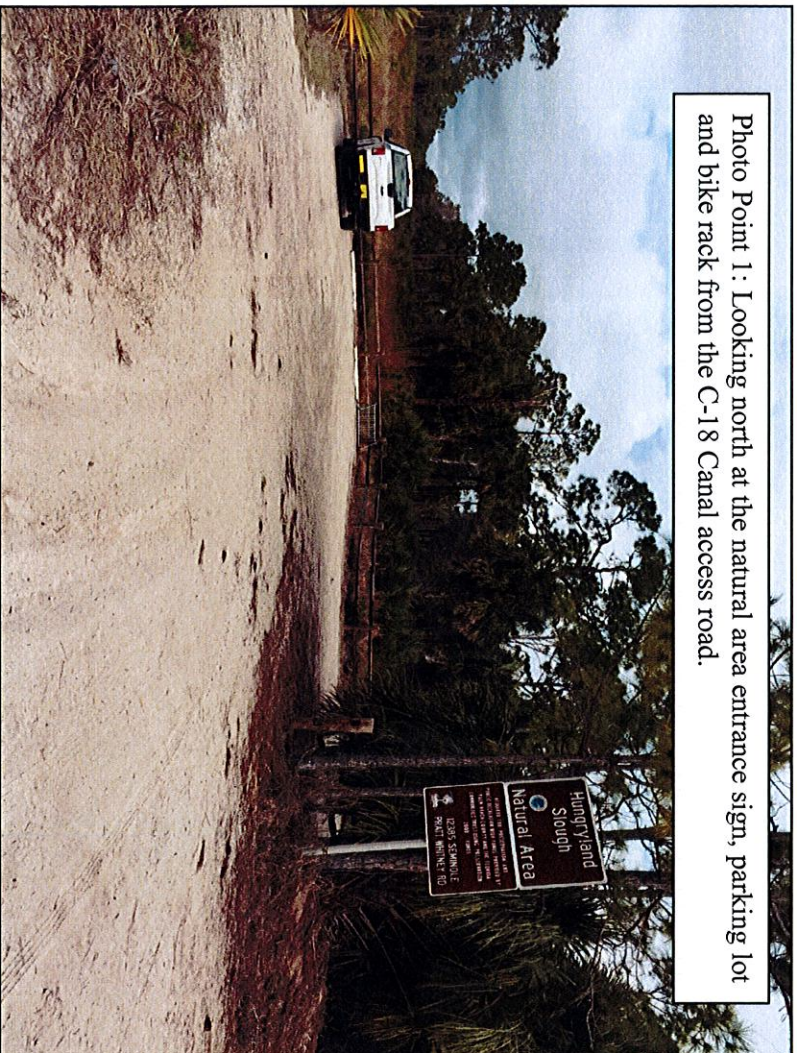


Photo Point 2: Looking west towards the pedestrian entrance and informational kiosk from the parking lot. The entrance provides access to both Hungryland Slough Natural Area and the Ocean to Lake Hiking Trail.

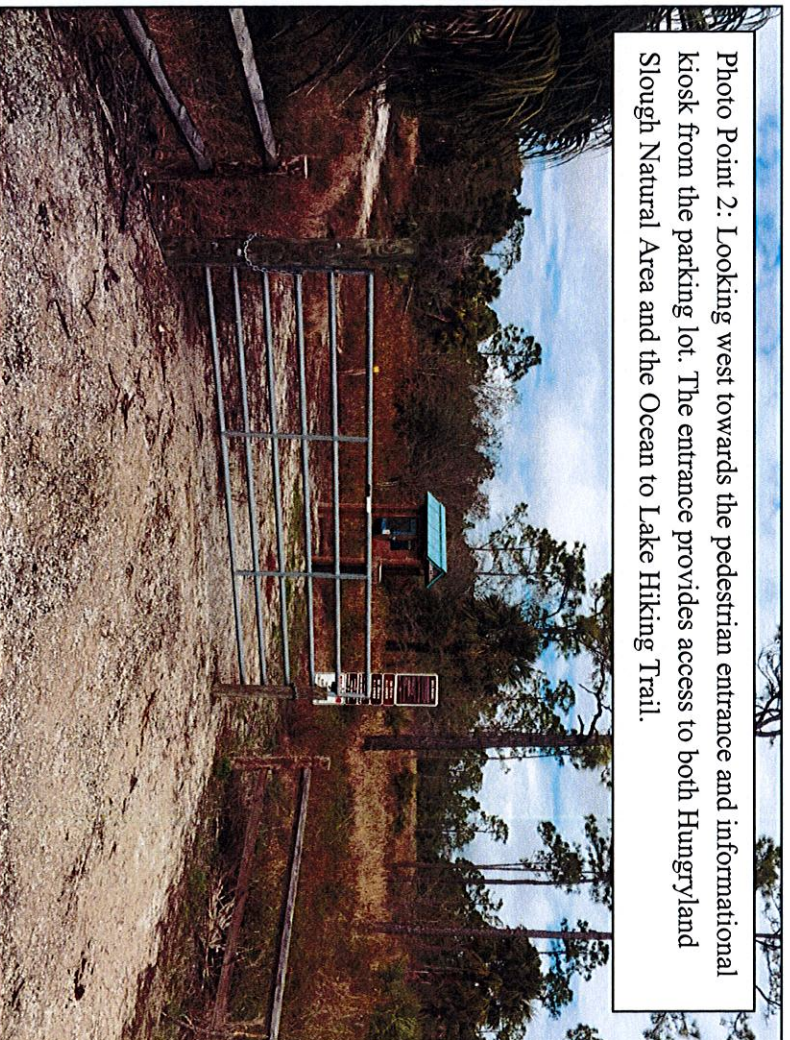




Photo Point 3: Looking southwest along the multiuse Pântano Trail south of the Beeline Highway. The gates shown provide pedestrian/equestrian/bicycle access to the trail and vehicular access for land management and canal maintenance activities.



Photo Point 4: Looking northwest at the eastern pedestrian entrance to Hungryland Slough Natural Area and the Ocean to Lake Trail, from the Pântano Trail.

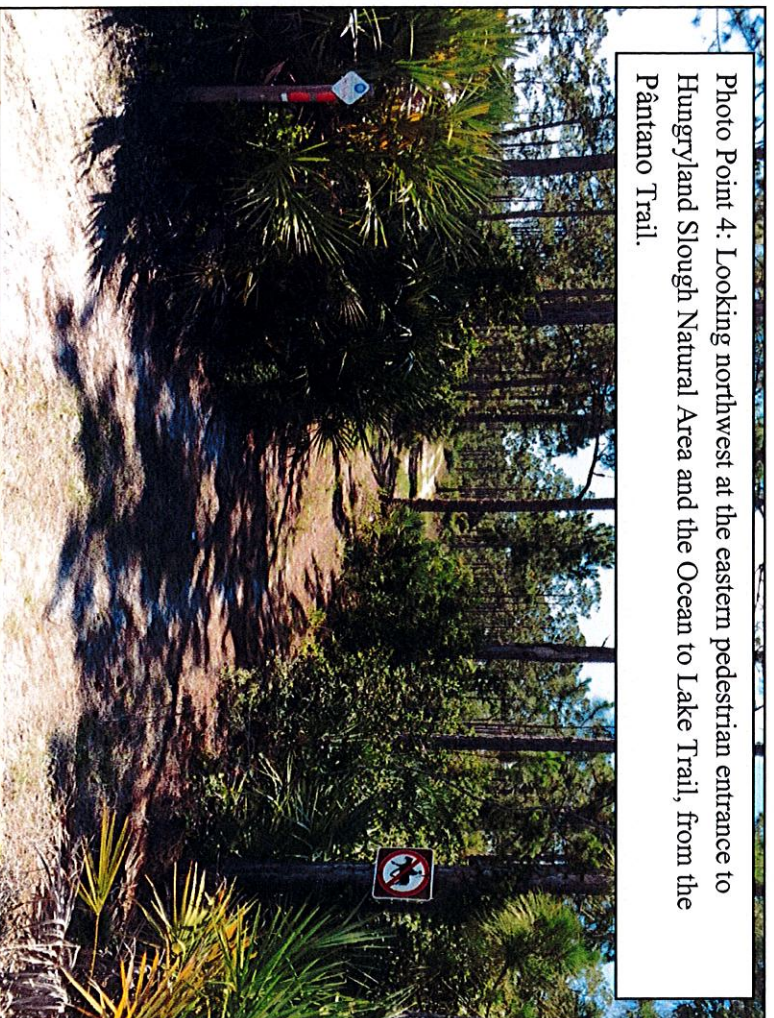




Photo Point 5: Looking southwest along multiuse Pântano Trail near bike rack and hiking trail entrance.



C-18 Canal

Photo Point 6: Looking northwest along existing hiking trail/management accessway.





Photo Point 7: Looking northwest from existing hiking trail/management  
accessway into slough marsh habitat.



Photo Point 8: Looking south  
along the Ocean to Lake Hiking  
Trail/management accessway.

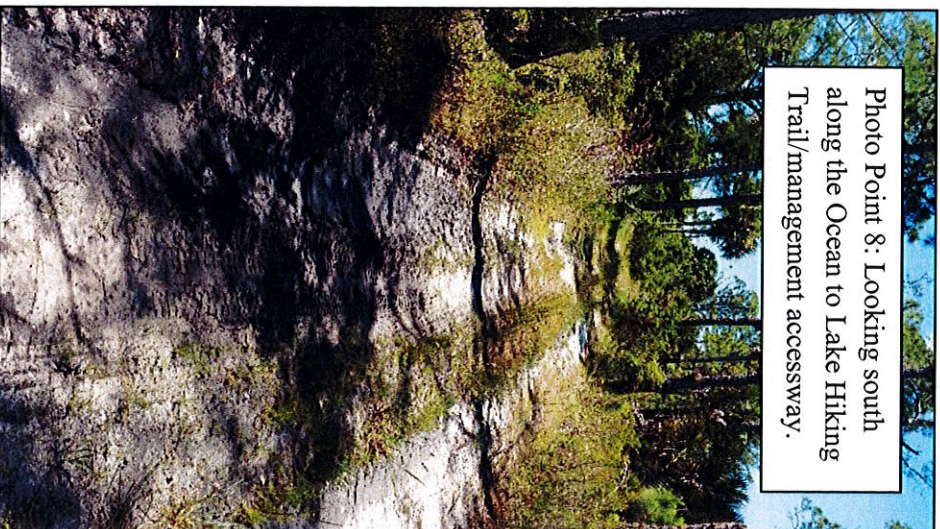




Photo Point 9: Looking north along existing management accessway.

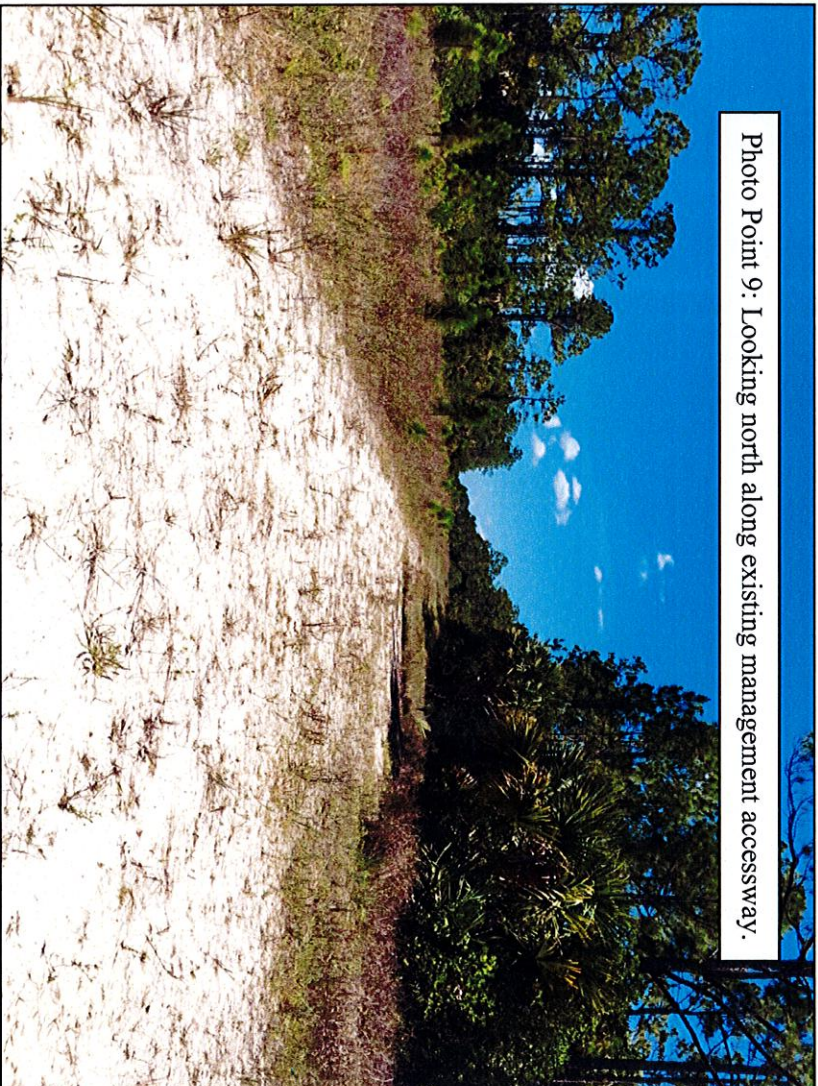


Photo Point 10: Looking northwest along existing management accessway.

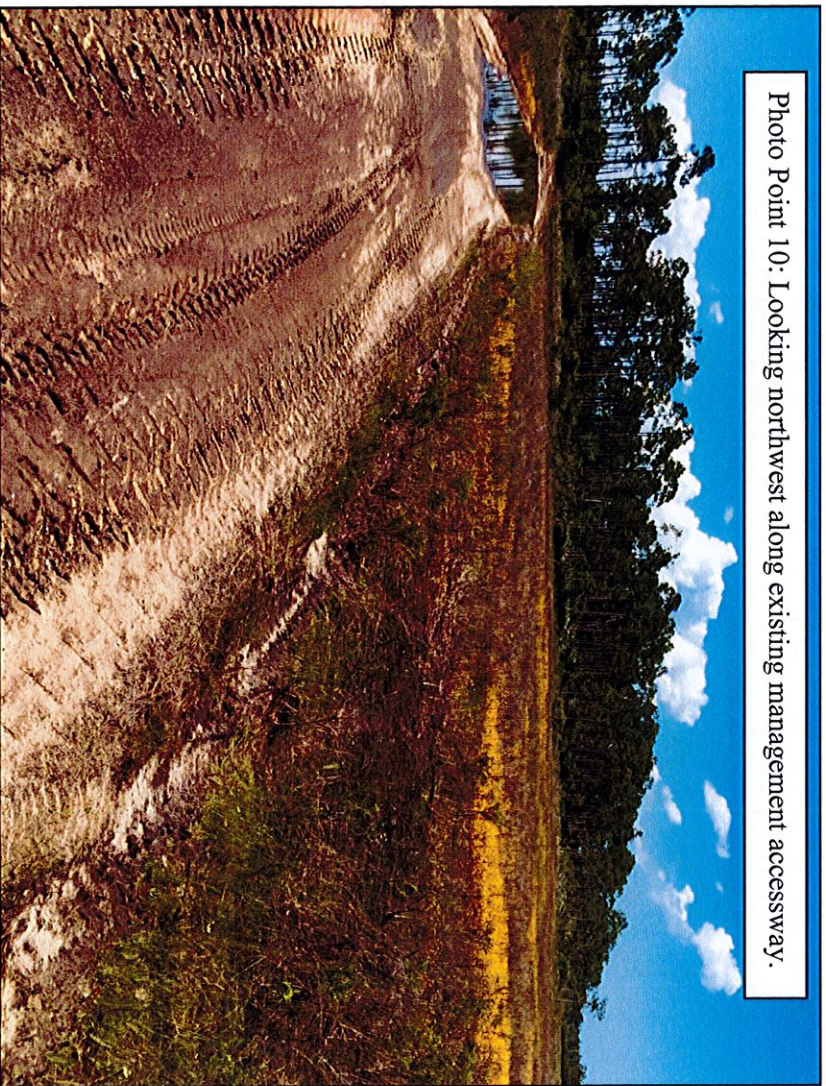




Photo Point 11: Looking east from existing management accessway into depression marsh and basin marsh habitats.

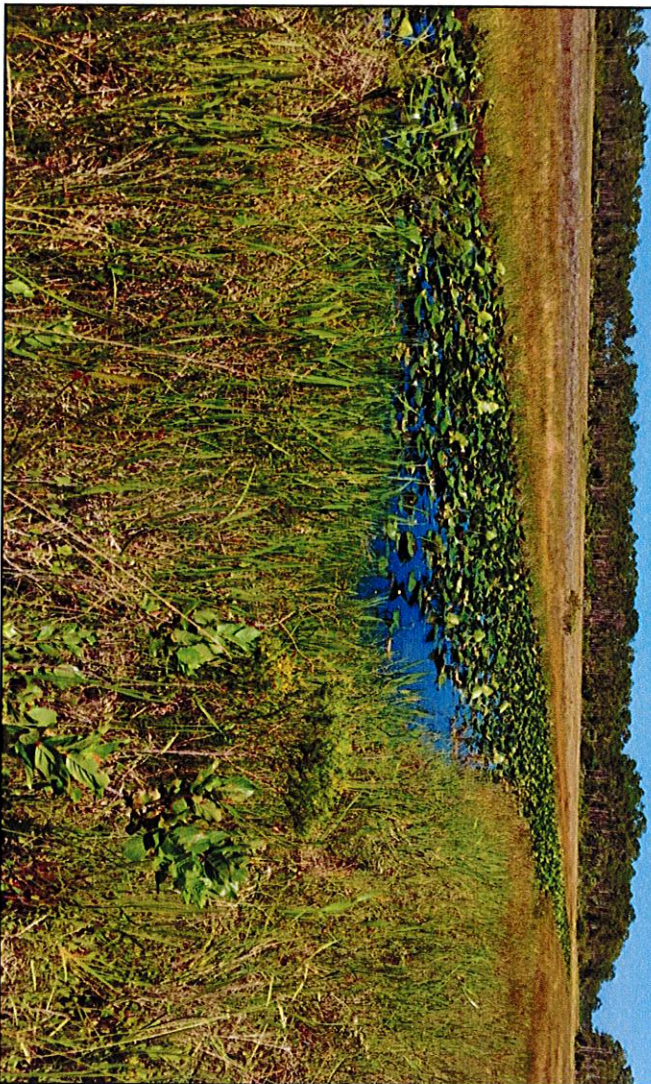


Photo Point 12: Looking northeast from existing management accessway into basin marsh habitat.



ATTACHMENT D

USE PLAN,

LOCATION MAP

AND

PUBLIC USE FACILITIES MAP



## Use Plan

The 3,047-acre Hungryland Slough Natural Area (natural area) opened to the public in 2015. A 2,987-acre portion of the natural area (“Designation Area”, Figure 1) is the subject of this designation agreement. A 160-foot-wide strip of land along the western boundary of the natural area is reserved for a proposed road right of way and is not part of this designation agreement. Existing public use facilities on the Designation Area include a small, unpaved parking lot; two informational kiosks; a 3.6-mile, natural-surfaced portion of the Ocean to Lake Hiking Trail; and a 1.7-mile natural-surfaced, connector hiking trail (Figure 2). The Designation Area also includes a 3.4-mile portion of the Pantano Trail, a multiuse (pedestrian, equestrian and bicycle) portion of the Ocean to Lake Trail. Proposed public use facilities include an accessible nature trail, wildlife observation platform and larger, paved parking lot. The primary purpose of the Designation Area is to preserve important remnants of Florida’s native vegetation communities, their associated plant and wildlife populations, and local groundwater resources. Its secondary purpose is to provide for passive, resource-based recreation, environmental education and scientific research. The Designation Area is open 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset.

**Access/Directions:** Public vehicular and multiuse trail access to the southwestern portion of the Designation Area is provided via an unpaved access road and the Pantano Trail (Figure 2). Public multiuse trail access also is provided via the Pantano Trail/Ocean to Lake Trail, which enters the northeastern portion of the Designation Area, just south of Beeline Highway. Pedestrian access is provided to the interior portion of the Designation Area via pedestrian access points located just west of an unpaved parking lot in the southwestern portion of the site and just west of the Pantano Trail in the northeastern portion of the site. Bicycle racks are located at both pedestrian access points to encourage the use of alternative transportation to the site.

**Management:** Palm Beach County (County) owns the 2,987-acre Designation Area. The County’s Department of Environmental Resources Management is responsible for managing and maintaining the Designation Area, with assistance from County-hired invasive/nonnative vegetation removal contractors.

Signage with the natural area name, access hours and natural areas rules have been installed adjacent to the parking lot and the other public access points. Trail maps and general information about the site are provided in kiosks located near each of the public access points. Regulatory signs are located along the site’s boundaries at intervals of no greater than 500 feet.

**Security:** The County Sheriff’s Office (PBSO) has the primary responsibility for public safety and law enforcement at the natural Designation Area. The County also has contracted with the PBSO to have Wildlands Task Force deputies conduct extra patrols of the natural area when needed. The Wildlands Task Force is a specially-trained and specially-equipped unit that was formed to prevent illegal activities, such as dumping, on natural areas managed by the County and to enforce the provisions of the County’s Natural Areas Ordinance.



Figure 1

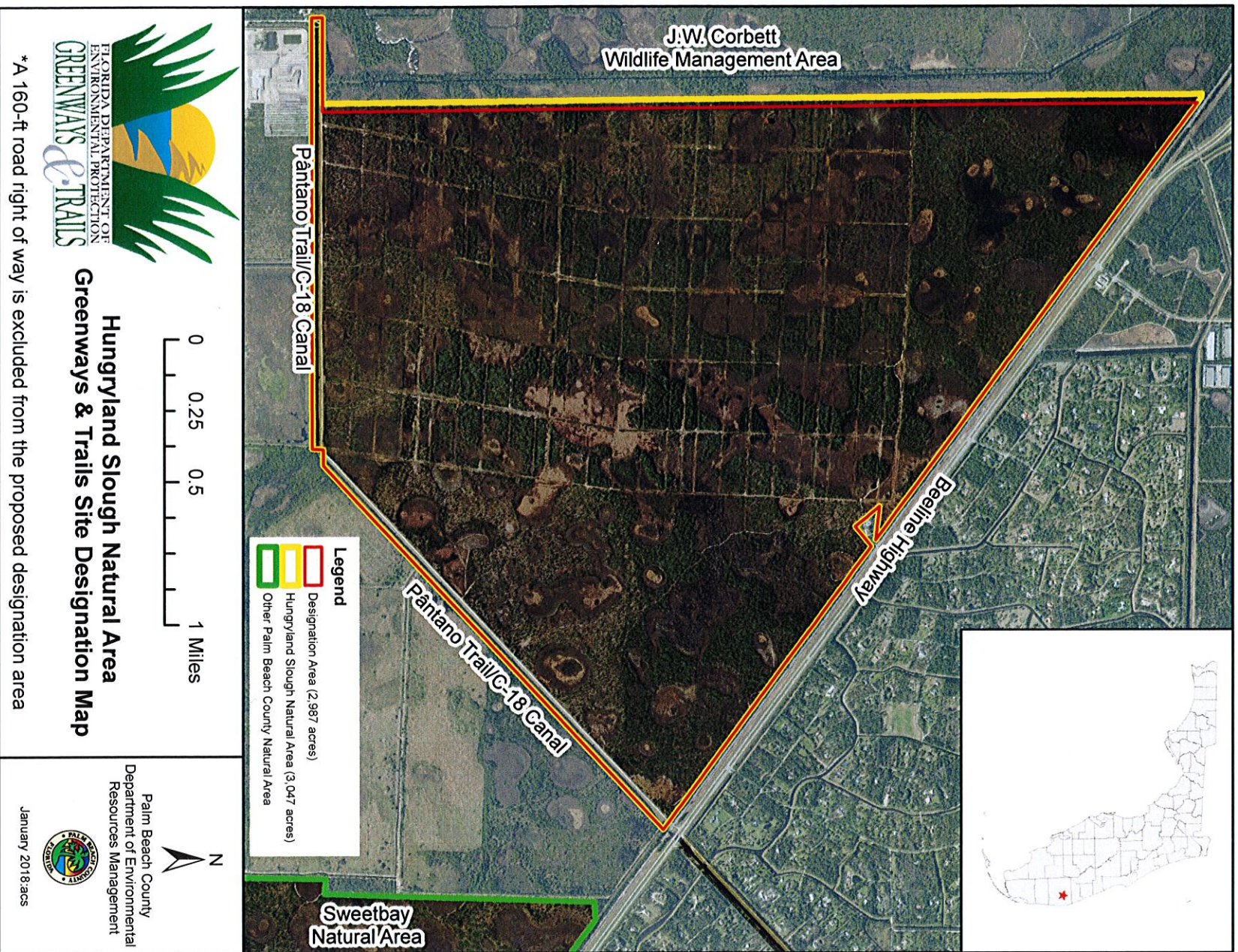
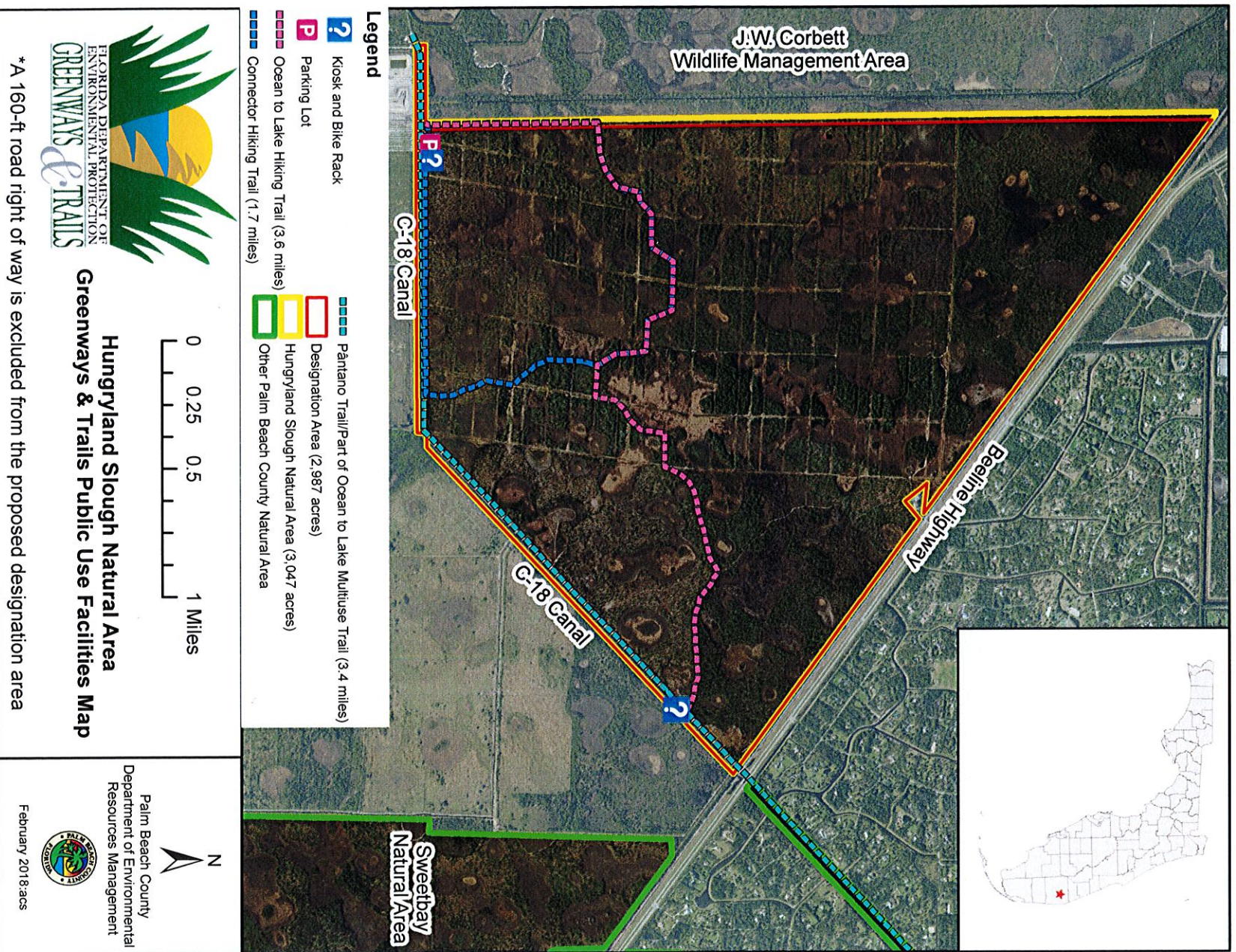




Figure 2





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PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Agenda Item: 3L1  
PB/MOB 7-0  
R-2018-0559

Meeting Date: April 10, 2018 (X) Consent ( ) Regular  
( ) Workshop ( ) Public Hearing

Department  
Submitted By: Environmental Resources Management  
Submitted For: Environmental Resources Management

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:

A) approve a Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Office of Greenways and Trails Application (Application) for Designation of Public Lands or Waterways as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System for a portion of the Hungryland Slough Natural Area (Natural Area); and


B) authorize the County Administrator, or designee, to execute the FDEP Greenways and Trails Program Designation Agreement (Agreement) and sign a Resource Certification (Certification) every five years during the term of the Agreement.

Summary: The Application requests that a 2,987-acre portion of the Natural Area be designated as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System. A 160-foot-wide strip of land along the western boundary of the Natural Area is reserved for a proposed road right of way and is not part of the Application. If the Application is approved by the State's Greenways and Trail Council, the County is required to sign a 20-year term Agreement to complete the designation. To maintain the designation, Certification is required every 5 years from the date of execution requiring that the site's natural, recreational, cultural, and/or historic resources be maintained. The natural, recreational and historic resources found within the designation area are maintained pursuant to Management Plan (Item 3.L.1, 5/21/02), and neither the Application nor Agreement are expected to have any fiscal impact. District 1 (AH)

Background and Justification: The Florida Greenways and Trails Designation Program was established to further the purposes, goals, and objectives of the Florida Greenways and Trails System; ensure an inclusive and interconnected system of greenways and trails; encourage voluntary partnerships in conservation, development, and management of system components; provide recognition for individual components of the system and those partners involved; and raise public awareness of the conservation and recreation benefits of the system components. Designation of the Natural Area as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System will encourage ecotourism at the site and may assist the County in obtaining future grants.

Attachments:

- 1. Hungryland Slough Natural Area Location Map
- 2. Application
- 3. Sample Agreement

Recommended by:  3/8/2018  
Department Director Date

Approved by:  3/24/18  
Deputy County Administrator Date



II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External Revenues					
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match (County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT	*				
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)					

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No ☒

Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes No ☒

Budget Account No.:

Fund Department Unit Object Program

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

\* Approval of the Application and future execution of an Agreement will not result in any fiscal impacts to the County. Ongoing management, maintenance and restoration of the natural area are already budgeted on an annual basis or as specific management/restoration contracts are approved.

C. Department Fiscal Review:

J. Melny

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and /or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

OFMB 3/14/18

Contract Development & Control 3/21/18

B. Legal Sufficiency:

Orme Delgent 3-26-18

Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director