NOTICE TO HIKERS

Title of Notice: Kissimmee Prairie Preserve SP Reroute

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Region: Central FTA Map No. 34 Perm. Change? Yes Effective Date: 12/2/17

Ending Date: This is a permanent reroute.

Description/Map:

The levee just south of the S-65A lock structure along the eastern side of the Kissimmee River breached over the summer due to heavy rainfall. The FNST along the Kissimmee River has been closed since then between the northern boundary of Kissimmee Prairie Preserve State Park and south of the S-65A lock structure.

The reroute begins just east of Pine Island Slough and traverses to the northern boundary of the park. It then goes west along the park boundary to a point just east of the river. From there it goes north again along the SFWMD land boundary to the S65A lock access road and then to the lock where it intersects with the existing FNST. This reroute will be permanent, as SFWMD will not be repairing the breached levee.

The existing Pine Island Slough campsite has been moved to a new location along the reroute. Picnic tables have been added at both the Pine Island Slough campsite and the Cowboy Crossing campsite at the southern end of the property.

