National Scenic Trail System

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The Florida Trail is Open To All

The Florida Trail is a 1,300-mile footpath that extends from Big Cypress National Preserve at the edge of the Everglades in south Florida to Gulf Islands National Seashore on Santa Rosa Island in the Florida panhandle.

Hike our white sand beaches. Travel through dense subtropical forests and vast, open grasslands. Test your physical and mental endurance in Florida’s swamps, marshes and wetlands. Encounter the diverse plant and animal life that flourish along the Florida Trail.

The Florida Trail is non-partisan public resource that needs your support.
Meet the Florida Trail Association

The 90th US Congress passed the National Trail Systems Act in 1968. This Act authorized the creation of a national system of trails “to promote the preservation of, public access to, travel within, and enjoyment and appreciation of the open-air, outdoor areas and historic resources of the Nation.” It initially established the Appalachian Trail and Pacific Crest Trails.

Today the National Trails System designates 11 National Scenic Trails, including the entirely unique Florida Trail.

The US Forest Service administers the Florida Trail. The USFS partners with the Florida Trail Association—a non-profit organization—to coordinate the development, maintenance, protection and promotion of the trail.

The FTA provides opportunities for the public to enjoy outdoor recreation, participate in environmental education and contribute to meaningful volunteer work.

The FTA Volunteer Program is comprised of 18 volunteer chapters located across the state of Florida. These volunteer chapters execute the vision of the National Trails System Act by working within their communities to develop a culture of conservation and stewardship.

The FTA also supports the US Forest Service in addressing trail protection issues in order to ensure the preservation of the Florida Trail and the land it passes through. Together with the public, we strive to protect many of the scenic, natural, historic and cultural values of Florida’s wildlands.
Your Constituents Care Deeply About the Florida Trail

This is demonstrated by their donations of time and money.

Volunteers Hours Contributed to the Florida Trail: 24,810

Value of Volunteer Hours: $756,631

Out of Pocket Contributions: $126,308

Trail Maintained: 1,323.89 miles

Trail Built: 22 miles

Structure Maintained: 10,332 feet

Structure Built: 535 feet

Volunteer Miles Driven: 228,671 miles
District 1
The Honorable Matt Gaetz

The Florida Trail in District 1 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between **Federal**, **State**, **County** and **Private** landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

**The Florida Trail in District 1 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.**

District 1 Constituency Engagement in 2017

Hours Donated in 2017 - 5,602 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $28,762

**The Florida Trail in District 1 is hosted by:**

- Gulf Islands National Seashore - **Federal**
- Santa Rosa Island Authority - **County**
- Eglin Air Force Base - **Federal**
- North West Florida Water Management District - **State**
  - Yellow River WMA
  - Lafayette Creek WMA
  - Choctawhatchee River WMA
- Florida Forest Service - **State**
  - Blackwater River SF
- MC Davis Conservation Easement - **Private**
  - Nokuse Plantation
District 2
The Honorable Neal Dunn

The Florida Trail in District 2 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal and State landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 2 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 2 Constituency Engagement in 2017
Hours Donated in 2017 - 2,395 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $12,012

The Florida Trail in District 2 is hosted by:
North West Florida Water Management District - State
  Choctawhatchee River WMA
  Econfina Creek WMA
Suwannee River Water Management District - State
  Middle Aucilla WMA
  Suwannee Valley CA
Florida Forest Service - State
  Pine Log SF
USDA Forest Service - Federal
  St. Joe Tract
  Apalachicola National Forest
  Rainbow Tract
  Williams Tract
USDI Fish and Wildlife Service - Federal
  St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission - State
  Aucilla WMA

Florida National Scenic Trail
The Florida Trail in District 3 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, and Private landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 3 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 3 Constituency Engagement in 2017
Hours Donated in 2017 - 3,058 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $7,723.26

The Florida Trail in District 3 is hosted by:
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
  - Palatka-Lake Butler Trail
  - Mike Roess Gold Head Branch SP
  - Marjorie Harris Carr Cross FL Greenway R & CA
- US Department of Defense - Federal
  - Camp Blanding Military Reservation
- USDA Forest Service - Federal
  - Ocala NF
- Florida Forest Service - State
  - Etoniah Creek State Forest
- Meyerhaeuser Timber - Private
  - Plum Creek Tract
- St Johns River Water Management District - State
  - Rice Creek CA
- Less-Than-Fee Access Easements - Private
District 5
The Honorable Al Lawson

The Florida Trail in District 5 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, Local and Private landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 5 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 5 Constituency Engagement in 2016
Hours Donated in 2016 - 3,332 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $9,192.85

The Florida Trail in District 5 is hosted by:
Florida Forest Service - State
  Twin Rivers SF
Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
  Suwannee River State Park
  Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center SP
  Big Shoals State Park
  Olustee Battlefield Historic SP
USDA Forest Service - Federal
  Goolsby, Donaldson, Richards, Latus Tracts
  Suwannee River Farms MA
  Osceola NF
Suwannee River Water Management District - State
  Lower Alapaha, Holton Creek, Camp Branch CAs
  Swift Creek CA
  Deep Creek CA
Less-Than-Fee Access Easements - Private
Town of White Springs - Township
District 6
The Honorable Ron DeSantis

The Florida Trail in District 6 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, and Private landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 6 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 6 Constituency Engagement in 2016

Hours Donated in 2016 - 7,894 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $25,466.02

The Florida Trail in District 6 is hosted by:
USDA Forest Service - Federal
Ocala NF
Boy Scouts of America - Private
Camp La No Che
Florida Forest Service - State
Seminole State Forest
District 7
The Honorable Stephanie Murphy

The Florida Trail in District 7 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, County and City landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 7 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 7 Constituency Engagement in 2017
Hours Donated in 2016 - 5,136 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $20,804.07

The Florida Trail in District 7 is hosted by:
Seminole County - County
Lucas Tract
Wekiva Trail
Cross Seminole Trail
Spring Hammock Preserve
Black Hammock Trail Head
Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
Lower Wekiva River Preserve SP
City of Oviedo - City
Florida Forest Service - State
Little Big Econ State Forest
USDA Forest Service - Federal
Mills Creek Woodlands
District 8

The Honorable Bill Posey

The Florida Trail in District 8 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, and City landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 8 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 8 Constituency Engagement in 2017

Hours Donated in 2017 - 536 Hrs

Dollars Contributed - $2,636

The Florida Trail in District 8 is hosted by:

- Florida Forest Service - State
  - Charles H. Bronson State Forest
- City of Orlando - City
  - Orlando Wetlands Park
- St Johns Water Management District - State
  - Seminole Ranch CA
  - Hal Scott Regional Preserve and Park
  - Canaveral Marshes CA
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission - State
  - Tosohatchee WMA
District 9
The Honorable
Darren Soto

The Florida Trail in District 9 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State, and Private landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 9 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 9 Constituency Engagement in 2016

Hours Donated in 2016 - 8,216 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $34,324.97

The Florida Trail in District 9 is hosted by:
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission - State
  - Herky Huffman/Bull Creek WMA
  - Triple N Ranch WMA
  - Three Lakes WMA
- Alan Broussard Conservancy - Private
  - Forever Florida
- South Florida Water Management District - State
  - Kissimmee River WMA
  - KICCO WMA
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
  - Kissimmee Prairie Preserve SP
  - Lake Kissimmee SP
- Florida Forest Service - State
  - Lake Wales Ridge SF
- US Department of Defense, Air Force - Federal
  - Avon Park Air Force Range
- The Nature Conservancy - Private
  - Tiger Creek Preserve
District 17

The Honorable Tom Rooney

The Florida Trail in District 17 highlights the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, and State landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 17 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 17 Constituency Engagement in 2016

Hours Donated in 2016 - 3,331 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $12,506.24

The Florida Trail in District 17 is hosted by:
Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
  Kissimmee Prairie Preserve SP
South Florida Water Management District - State
  Kissimmee River WMA
  Starvation Slough WMA
  Yates Marsh WMA
  Chandler Slough WMA
US Army Corps of Engineers - Federal
  Okeechobee North
  Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail
District 18
The Honorable
Brian Mast

The Florida Trail and Ocean to Lake Trail in District 18 highlight the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State and County landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service and the Florida Trail Association to host the Florida National Scenic Trail and the Ocean to Lake Trail.

The Florida Trail and the Ocean to Lake Trail in District 18 are Non-Partisan Public Resources that needs your support.

District 18 Constituency Engagement in 2017

Hours Donated in 2016 - 3,924 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $15,813.21

The Florida Trail and Ocean to Lake Trail in District 18 is hosted by:
US Army Corps of Engineers - Federal
  Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail
South Florida Water Management District - State
  Dupuis Reserve WMA
  Cypress Creek and Loxahatchee River MA
Martin County - County
  South Fork Addition
Palm Beach County - County
  Hungryland Slough Natural Area
  Loxahatchee Slough Natural Area
  River Bend Park
Florida Department of Environmental Protection - State
  Seabrand Preserve SP
  Jonathan Dickinson SP
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission - State
  J. W. Corbett WMA
District 25

The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart

The Florida Trail in District 25 highlight the uniquely effective partnership between Federal, State and Private landowners currently under agreement with the USDA Forest Service to host the Florida National Scenic Trail.

The Florida Trail in District 25 is a Non-Partisan Public Resource that needs your support.

District 25 Constituency Engagement in 2016

Hours Donated in 2016 - 1,325 Hrs
Dollars Contributed - $6,404.32

The Florida Trail in District 25 is hosted by:

US Army Corps of Engineers - Federal
Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail
South Florida Water Management District - State
L1E Canal Levee
L2 Canal Levee
Seminole Tribe of Florida - Private
Big Cypress Reservation
USDI National Park Service - Federal
Big Cypress National Preserve