NOTICE TO HIKERS

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**Florida Forest Service CLOSURES in response to COVID-19:**

The mission of the Florida Forest Service is to protect our state and its people from the devastating effects of wildfire and to manage forest resources to ensure they are available for future generations.

To minimize exposure to COVID-19 and to protect visitors and our employees, **all Florida Forest Service offices and facilities are temporarily CLOSED to the public**, including all day-use areas, campgrounds, and recreation sites.

Our priority is wildland fire readiness and response. While we are utilizing technology where possible to ensure connection and service to the public, we must remain vigilant during this time to avoid the risk of a reduction in firefighting resources.

The Florida Forest Service is committed to our mission and will continue to work in partnership with federal, state and local fire service agencies to protect life, property and natural resources.

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