NOTICE TO HIKERS

2020 – Gulf Islands National Seashore Closure

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Description:

Following guidance from the CDC and public health officials, all ranger-led programs have been cancelled and many areas are temporarily closed in the Gulf Islands National Seashore. This includes the entire Santa Rosa Island area and Fort Pickens, including Highway 399 between Pensacola Beach and Navarre Beach. Furthermore, county roadblocks have been put in place restricting access to the island to residents only at Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach.

Due to this closure, access is no longer available to the FNST Northern Terminus. Thru-hikers are no longer able to access the final sections of the trail, and the FTA encourages hikers to re-evaluate and postpone their plans for the remainder of this hiking season.