



## IDIDAHIKE 2026 SCHEDULE

The Choctawhatchee Chapter is excited to welcome you to a Valentine's Day weekend full of love and hiking! All participants must check in at the main pavilion at Sand Pond Campground, regardless of accommodations, to pick up T-shirts, bracelets, and other key information.

### ❤️ Friday, February 13: Check-In

- **Location:** Sand Pond Campground at Pine Log State Forest, Long Leaf Rd, Ebro, FL 32437 (Registration at main pavilion - look for the FTA tent)
- **Time:** 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM CST

### **Camping & RV Accommodations**

- ALL participants are to check in on Friday 2/13, at Sand Pond Campground at the main pavilion (see FTA tent) from noon to 8 PM CST, regardless of whether you are camping there or not. Pick up your package (T shirt, bracelet, printed map to make a copy of for phone). Registration permitted there for 2/13 only.
- Bring your phone to make all arrangements via QR code to pay electronically if not already registered.
- Check-in/Out Times for Campers with reservations at the Campground:
  - RV and Tent sites open at 3:00 PM on 2/13; check-out is by 1:00 PM on 2/15.
  - There are two group camp sites that will accommodate 20 tents each. Tent sites in each are unmarked and first come first serve basis. Limited parking available in the small parking area adjacent to the two group camping areas. Campers can park vehicles to unload and load only. Vehicles will need to be parked along the entrance road in front of the gate overnight. Guides will help direct you to the tent camping areas. This is the same area where the breakfast tent will be located.
  - RV reservations will have participants assigned to a specific RV pad. Each site will accommodate one RV and one vehicle.
  - All campers will receive a gate code to ensure late arrivals have entry to the campground after hours.

- Pack for a winter climate and don't forget headlamps, blankets, rain gear, and that the sun sets early.
- The main pavilion will be the central location for hikers to enjoy a warm, cozy fire and camaraderie with fellow hikers! Other fire pits in each group tent site can also be used for building fires.

## 🍴 **Food & Supplies**

### **On-site Dining Options: 2/13 - 2/15**

- **Bakery Lady Tent:** Breakfast and "Grab and Go" items at the group tent sites in a small parking area (see menu). Payment options: card, cash, Venmo

(2/14 & 2/15) opens 6:30 AM to 10:30 AM



### **Breakfast Menu**

<p><b>Breakfast Sandwich</b>            On a Croissant \$8.00            On a Bagel \$9.00            Link Sausage, Ham, or Bacon,            plus Egg, &amp; Cheese</p>	<p>Cinnamon Roll \$5.00            Apple Fritter \$5.00            Scone \$5.00            Muffin \$3.00</p>
<p><b>Breakfast Bombs</b>            2 per order \$5.00            Sausage, Egg &amp; Cheese            Stuffed Biscuit</p>	<p><b>Grab and Go Bag</b>            \$15.00            Protein Sandwich,            Fruit and Protein Balls (3pk)</p>
<p><b>Quiche</b>            2 per order \$5.00            Egg &amp; Cheese or Bacon, Egg,            Cheese</p>	<p>Coffee \$3.00            Tea \$3.00            Juice \$3.00</p>

## Lunch @ Sand Pond Campground

- **KK Island Eats food truck:** Hawaiian sliders and Grab and GO. See menu. Located in front of the main pavilion all day 2/13 - 2/14. Payment options: credit card and cash.
- **Note the Food sources are providing a nice benefit for this event. Please utilize their service.**

### DA KINE FAVS

- Teriyaki Chicken Sliders*..... \$9.25  
2 grilled teriyaki chicken on a hawaiian sweet slider bun.  
Served with our teriyaki sauce and chips.
- Kalua Pig Sliders*..... \$9.25  
2 pulled pork on a hawaiian sweet slider bun.  
Served with our huli huli sauce and chips.
- Teriyaki Burger Sliders*..... \$10.25  
2 grilled beef patties on a hawaiian sweet slider bun.  
Served with our teriyaki sauce and chips.
- Teriyaki Steak Sliders*..... \$10.50  
2 grilled teriyaki steak on a hawaiian sweet slider bun.  
Served with our teriyaki sauce and chips.
- Huli Huli Chicken Bites*..... \$9  
Hand breaded and fried bite size chicken, served on a bed of fries with our huli huli sauce on the side.
- Kalua Pork Pot Stickers*..... \$11  
Served with our teriyaki sauce on a bed of fries.
- Pork and Cabbage Eggrolls*..... \$8.50  
2 eggrolls served with our teriyaki sauce.
- ### EXTRAS
- Mac & Cheese Wedges*..... \$6.50  
5 battered and fried mac & cheese triangles.
- French Fries*..... \$6
- Spam Musubi*..... \$4.25  
A fried slice of spam resting on a block of rice, wrapped with nori seaweed and topped with a teriyaki drizzle.
- Veggie Spring Rolls*..... \$6.75
- Maui Onion Potato Chips*..... \$1.75



### SWEETS

- Ice Cream Cookie Sandwich*..... \$7  
Two fresh baked chocolate chip cookies with a delicious vanilla dairy free goodness sandwiched in the middle.
- Vanilla Macadamia Nut or Chocolate Chip Cookies*..... \$4.50

### DRINKS

- Canned Coca Cola Products*..... \$3  
Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Dr. Pepper, Barg's Root Beer, Fanta Orange, Coke Zero
- Hawaiian Sun Drinks*..... \$3.75  
Lilikoi Passion Fruit, Strawberry Guava, Pineapple Orange
- Fresh Homemade Lemonade*..... \$5.50
- Dasani*..... \$3.25



## ❤️ Saturday, February 14: Hike Start / Times FINISH TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Driving digital maps can be downloaded from the website for easy navigation to the trailheads.

For all four hikes, participants are to arrive at the trailheads between **8:00- 9:00 AM CST**. All hikers are to check-in at the trailheads and be on the trail **NLT 9:00 AM CST**. Hikers should plan their hikes to be back at the trailhead **NLT 4:00 PM CST**. Be sure to check in with the hike leader for any additional instructions. You may be checked for a bracelet and asked to sign-in.

### **Hike: Forgotten Creek Loop (13.3 miles)**

**AND**

### **Hike: Lafayette and Magnolia Creek Loop (9.5 miles)**

**Trailhead:** Lafayette Creek Trailhead at north end of J.W.Hollington Road - GPS coordinates 30.524505, -86.047730

**Parking Directors:** Park on either side of the road at entrance to the parking lot. See the FTA Tent.

### **Hike: Steephead Out and Back (7.4 miles)**

**Trailhead:** Owls Head Trailhead on US Hwy 331 - GPS coordinates: 30.562057, -86.106190

**Parking Directions:** Park on the west side of U.S. Hwy 331, use extreme caution crossing this very busy highway (see the FTA tent).

### **Hike: Black Creek Loop (5 miles)**

**Trailhead:** Watch for Golf Course Creek Road off Hwy 81 and continue to the end point at the gate - GPS coordinates: 30.527389, -85.971525

**Parking Directions:** Park on the side of the road (see FTA tent).

## Hiking Essentials & Reminders

- **Smartphone and backup charger:** Fully charged and required for hiking and navigation to ensure your maps remain accessible throughout the hike.
- **GIS Maps:** Pre-download the custom GIS maps from the FTA website to your phone (this allows you to see your live position on the trail). Some of the sections of the hikes are off the FNST. TUTORIAL ON THE WEBSITE AND BELOW. Caution: best to do this before arriving at the hike, as cell reception may be weak.
- **Navigation & Safety Tools:** A compass, whistle, head lamp, and a phone copy of the Emergency Action Plan (EAP). Hard copy available at trailheads.
- **Safety Requirements: ONLY** for the two long hikes (Forgotten Creek Loop & Lafayette and Magnolia Creek Loop) at the Lafayette Creek Trailhead, you must wear an **orange vest** because parts of the hike are near public lands where hunting is permitted. **Please bring your own red/orange vest for visibility on the trail.**

- **Footwear:** Sturdy, closed-toed boots or shoes. Extra footwear and socks suggested for after the hike if you encounter wet trails.
- **Monitoring:** Strategic monitors and transport will be available to provide instructions or a ride back to the trailhead if needed.
- **Water & Provisions:** Ensure you carry adequate water and food for your specific hike and for the weekend.
- **Digital Payment:** Bring your phone to make all arrangements via QR code to pay electronically; cash and credit cards **will NOT be accepted** at the trailheads

## **Avenza and Trail Maps Tutorial**

FTA has created four geolocation maps (PDF) for the IDIDAHIKE 2026. These are *custom-designed* maps with embedded GIS data for uses in the Avenza Map app. When used in the Avenza Map app they display the route of the trail and the user's location on the map.

These *custom* maps are only available (download) from the official FTA IDIDAHIKE 2026 webpage for use during the IDIDAHIKE. The four maps are NOT available from the Avenza Store (library of downloadable maps). Each of the four trail routes includes access to normally off-limits areas of Nokuse. This is special permission access and only available to users during the IDIDAHIKE 2026.

### **Tutorial / Guide:**

1. Download the basic Avenza Map app (free download).
2. Download the appropriate hike map from the IDIDAHIKE webpage to your cell phone's file.
3. In the Avenza Map app select upload (+) a *custom* map from your files.
4. From your files select and open the desired map file.
5. View the selected map in the Avenza app.

### **Notes:**

1. Each of the four maps can be copied and printed (hard copy). Printed maps will not contain the embedded GIS data and therefore not display the user's location.
2. The basic Avenza Map app is a free download. It's highly recommended that trail users download both the Avenza Map app and the hike map to their device with WIFI access. Coverage for one or both may be unavailable at the trailheads and on the trail.
3. In the basic Avenza Map app you're only permitted to have three active *custom* maps at any one time. Only load the map you intend to use.
4. The above only addresses maps and use for the IDIDAHIKE. It covers a very basic Avenza feature. You're encouraged to explore Avenza further.

## E.O. Wilson Biophilia Center

**4956 State Highway 20 East Freeport, FL 32439**

The E.O. Wilson Biophilia Center will open its doors from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM exclusively to IDIDAHIKE participants - free of charge when you present your IDIDAHIKE '26 bracelet ID! Guidance on hand for parking.

Explore the wonders of nature, learn about local wildlife, and discover the incredible biodiversity that thrives within the 55,000-acre Nokuse Conservancy. At **3:30 PM CST** in the theater, enjoy an inspiring presentation by guest speaker in-resident Biologist Charli Morgan. Title: "Ecological Restoration at Scale: Management Practices and Wildlife Responses at Nokuse".



There is no charge for admission, but donations or gift shop purchases to the Biophilia Center would be appreciated.

**If you are visiting the Biophilia Center on Saturday afternoon, there is a dedicated food option on-site.**

- **City Street Food Truck (Chef Richard Lipshanic)**
  - **Availability:** Saturday (2/14) only, from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
  - **Menu:** Sandwiches only

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