NOTICE TO HIKERS

Title of Notice: Econfina Section, FNST Trail Closure

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Perm. Change? No

Effective Date: 04/20/2022

Ending Date: 06/08/2022

Description/Map: Water Management is performing deforestation and clearing of refuse from Hurricane Michael (Oct 2018) in and around the Scott Road Trailhead and adjoining Florida National Scenic Trail as it traverses Water Management property towards Econfina Creek (Southwest from the Scott Road Trailhead). Work area is estimated to be several hundred yards of trail which has been effectively removed. Water Management has requested no hikers through this area until end date due to the operation of heavy mechanized equipment.

Proposed road walk/detour – There is no entry point between Scott Road and Walsingham Bridge / Devil’s Hole campsite. Road Walk would be Hwy 231 to Hwy 20. From Hwy 20, the FNST can be accessed again at the Rte 20 trailhead, Econfina Road, Strickland Road, or Walsingham Bridge Road. See attached maps for assistance.
Road walk to Walsingham Bridge from Scott Road Trailhead: