

In and Around Naples  
**A Series of Presentations  
 for the Collier County Library  
 by Paul Pacter**

**CREW Flint Pen Strand  
 Hiking Trails**

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**Crew Flint Pen Strand**  
 (CREW = Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem  
 Watershed)

**Website:** <https://crewtrust.org/flint-pen-strand-2/>

**Where:** 15970 Bonita Beach Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135.

**Get There:** I-75 Exit 116 Bonita Beach Rd. East 3.7 miles. Left on Vincent Rd (Gravel). Parking on left.

**When:** One hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.

**Admission:** Free.

**What:** 14,000 acres of hiking trails and more. Trails:

**Red - 1.5 miles.**

**Blue - 0.25 miles (shortcut).**

**Yellow - South 3 miles.**

**Yellow - North 2.9 miles.**

**Orange - 2.9 miles.**

**Purple - 6.2 miles**

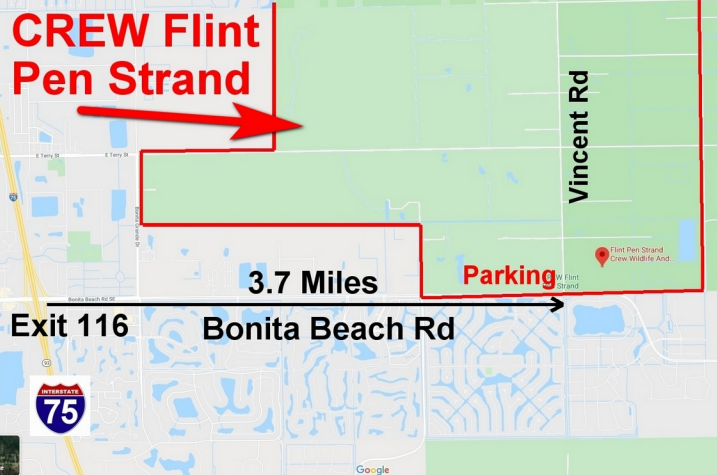
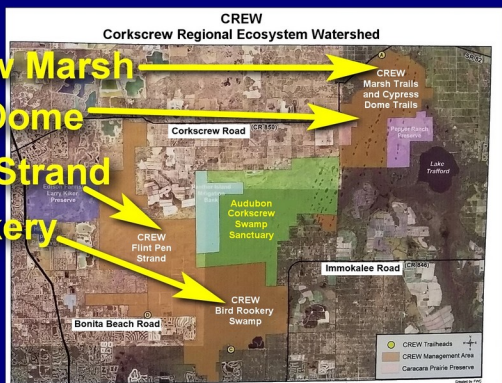


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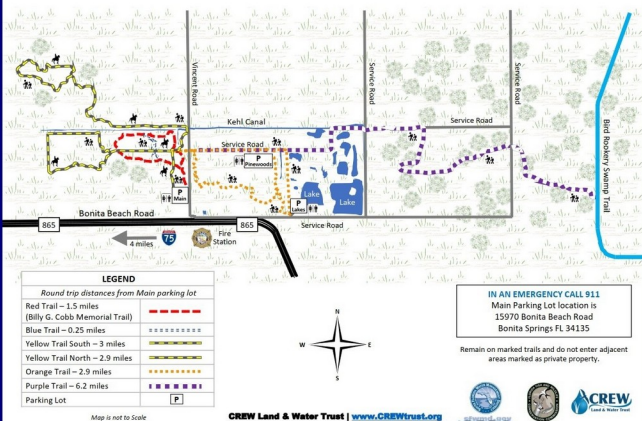
- **Hiking.** Some trails may be wet in rainy season.
- **Biking.**
- **Nature study/photography.**
- **Birding.**
- **Running.**
- **Horseback Riding** (special license needed, yellow trails).
- **Hunting** (seasonal with license, special areas).

**CREW Land and Water Trust**

- Corkscrew Marsh**
- Cypress Dome**
- Flint Pen Strand**
- Bird Rookery**



**CREW FLINT PEN STRAND TRAILS**







**Slash Pine**  
A "slash" is a swamp  
overgrown with trees  
and bushes,  
aka Southern  
Florida Pine.



**Kehl Canal in Flint Pen Strand.**  
Dug in 1960s as drainage for ill-fated  
Sun Coast Acres development.



**Pond - Flint Pen Strand**



**Resident of a pond along the  
Orange Trail**



**CREW Flint Pen Strand  
Blue Trail**



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**CREW Flint Pen Strand  
Slash Pines**



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**Tickseed at CREW Flint Pen Strand  
Florida State Wildflower**



**Tickseed**

**Swamp  
Sunflower**

**Melaleuca Tree aka Paper Bark Tea Tree  
Noxious, Invasive (from Australia area)  
Turns marshland into swamps.  
Kills native plants.  
Destroys habitats.**

