Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative

Meeting Minutes:

August 3, 2026, 12:00 p.m.

Town of Jupiter Utilities Field Office
3133 Washington Street
Jupiter, FL 33458

1. **Meeting called to order by John Maehl, Martin County, Chair, at 12:02 pm**
2. **Attendance (by sign-in sheet) (Attachment A)**
3. **Review/adoption of April 13, 2026 Meeting Minutes**
   A. Motioned: Jim Davis, Jupiter Inlet District
   B. Seconded: Deborah Drum, Palm Beach County, Environmental Resources Management
   C. Passed Unanimously with exception of Amanda Barnes, Town of Jupiter, abstained due to not receiving meeting minutes.
4. **Old & New Business**
   A. Old Business
      1) Legislative Update / Verification of FY26 Appropriations – Alessandro Marchesani, Palm Beach County
         i. Budget Update
            a. The Governor signed a FY 26-27 Budget, totaling $117.6 billion into law. He vetoed a total of $1.6 billion from the state budget.
            b. Palm Beach County secured over $14 million in state funding for county projects, including the Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative (LRPI) and the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative.
            c. For LRPI, our two funding requests were fully funded at $354,794, including $241,794 for the Seminole Basin Water Quality Improvements for the Town of Jupiter and $113,000 for the Loxahatchee River Headwaters Invasive Plant Removal for the South Indian River Water Control District. Both projects were sponsored State Representative Peggy Gossett Seidman and State Senator Gayle Harrell.
         ii. Property Tax Update
            a. The Governor called a Special Session on May 27 for June 1-3 which led to the passing of a property tax resolution to be placed on the November 2026 ballot, which would increase the non-school homestead property tax exemption to $150,000 beginning in 2027 and $250,000 beginning in 2028, exempt school taxes from the increased homestead exemption, cap assessment increases on commercial property at five percent year over year, provide a five-year glidepath before individuals who have not established residency in the state of Florida can qualify for these increased homestead exemption, and establish that local

governments would be limited to expending property tax revenues for core services including public safety, education, infrastructure, natural resources, debt service, retirement obligations for local government employees, and to fund the operations of constitutionals officials, commissioners, and local governments, except for expenditures specifically prohibited by state law.

iii. Amanda Barnes extended her thanks to Palm Beach County and Alessandro for their continued efforts in supporting the LRPI projects. This was echoed by John Maehl.

B. New Business

1) Application Presentations by Project Sponsors

i. SIRWCD-Loxahatchee River Headwaters Invasive Exotic Plant Removal – Phase II- Chad Kennedy

a. There was no presentation provided. The project application was passed out to members with the inclusion of a map of the project area (full handout provided as Attachment B)

b. Chad highlighted that phase 1, funded through LRPI, is about to begin with the kickoff meeting recently held. Additionally, there was a typo in the application with task 4 skipped in the numbering. Dustin Fazio will continue to manage phase 2 as he is managing phase 1. After completion of the first phase SIRWCD plans to pursue funding through FWC for future phases.

c. Question/Statement from Deb Drum – It will be important to compile metrics on achievable removable for an effectiveness evaluation. Chad responded stating that data collection is included in their tasks in the LRPI application and will share those results when they are realized.

d. Question/Statement from Jon Moore, FDEP – Does FWC currently have a funding system in place? Chad responded stating he believes yes but they are in the beginning phases of this discussion with FWC.

e. Question/Statement from Deb Drum – Lake Worth has previous experience with working through landowner easements and agreements and can be a resource for SIRWCD. Chad acknowledged the suggestion.

f. Question/Statement from Deb Drum – Is SIRWCD's Board committed to the continued funding of this project. Chad responded stating that the Board is approaching the limit in funding they are comfortable with until results are realized or more funding through other avenues is secured.

g. Question/Statement from Albrey Arrington, LRECD – The removal of exotics is cheaper when completed on a smaller level and planned continued maintenance is necessary to keep growth controlled and not require larger projects like the project presented. Chad acknowledged the statement and responded stating that Phase 2 includes the maintenance of any new growth from Phase 1. Additionally, SIRWCD has ongoing contracts for smaller exotics removal and spraying.

h. Question/Statement from John Maehl – How dependent is SIRWCD on ad-valorem taxes? Chad responded stating they do not anticipate any impacts as they receive their revenue from non-ad valorem assessments.

i. Question/Statement from Allyson Burg, Village of Tequesta – With the planned removal of larger and more mature exotics, are there the proper erosion and sedimentation control measures required by the Contractor? Chad responded stating that sod and bank stabilization is included in the scope of work.

ii. PBC -ERM - Loxahatchee Slough Luckey Tract Habitat Restoration Phase 1 Project- TJ Wilkerson
    a. Presentation provided as Attachment C
    b. Question/Statement from Chad Kennedy – There is no city water in the area so provided the environment for safe controlled burns is very important.
    c. Question/Statement from Allyson Burg – How often are controlled burns performed after the land is cleared? TJ responded that they try and keep areas in a 3 year rotation, so the same area is burned once every three years.

2) Committee Project Ranking
    i. Committee members were asked to rank the presented projects, and clarification was provided on the ranking values.
    ii. Ranking was announced by John Mahl (Attachment D). Results will be sent to Alessandro and provided at the Oct/Nov Committee meetings.

5. Other Business / Member Announcements

A. Upcoming Meetings: October 19, 2026

1) Agenda Topics for October 19, 2026
    i. SIRWCD presentation on Loxahatchee River Headwaters Invasive Exotic Plant Removal – Phase I
    ii. Deb Drum suggested a presentation from the Palm Beach County Archeologist, Chris Davenport, on the history and evidence of the area.
    iii. Martin County update on the Lox Land Acquisitions and Cypress Creek Tributary project
    iv. Chad suggested an update from FDOT on the expansion of 2 lanes for the turnpike as the project is in early design.

2) Member Comments
    i. Pat Magrogan, Landowner Representative, Palm Beach County – Asked Jupiter Inlet District if there was an update on the jetty in the Jupiter Inlet. Jim Davis, Jupiter Inlet District, responded that there are no plans to address the jetty.
    ii. Allyson Burg – Provided an update on the Dover Ditch Living Shoreline 6-month warranty inspection and the continued success of the project.
    iii. Amanda Barnes – Both Pennock Water Quality Improvements and Bush Road Water Quality Improvements have been completed and funding reimbursement received. Sims Creek Preserve Passive Park project will be presented at the next Council meeting for award and is being managed by the Town Planning and Zoning Department. The Seminole Avenue Stormwater Basin Improvements final design is anticipated at the end of August. Legislative funding was secured for Alma's Place exotic removal and restoration of the natural flow way.
    iv. Jon Moore – There may be an opportunity for local entities in the future to complete CERP projects through an MOU/MOA under Section 1043(b) of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014. with the Army Corps instead of waiting on the ACOE to complete the projects.
    v. Albrey Arrington – (discussed during agenda topics but listed under member comments) MFL revisions, a 2021 letter was sent to SFWMD regarding the removal of salinity criteria. Drew Bartlett responded, stating that he personally did not have

interest in removing the criteria and that there was no current effort to remove the criteria. Deb Drub responded to Albrey's comment stating that she was shocked after the recent LRMCC meeting. Deb Drum requested a technical workshop from Sarah Ouly, SFWMD, regarding the proposed changes in the criteria.

vi. Chad Kennedy – (discussed during agenda topics but listed under member comments) Emphasized the importance of local projects that contribute to the goal of CERP as the Loxahatchee continues to be bumped further on the timeline. Deb Drum responded, stating that the purpose of LRPI is to implement meaningful projects through state appropriations and emphasized the importance of ensuring the availability of clean water to affected areas. John Maehl agreed with the statements. Deb Drum suggested distributing LRMCC minutes to LRPI members.

vii. Deb Drum – Night out for the Natural Areas will be hosted on Saturday, August 15th, at Tequesta Brewing Company and members and supporters are encouraged to attend (Flyer passed out to Committee and provided as Attachment E)

6. Public Comment

A. Newton Cook – The area upstream of the inlet used to be grass and has since increased in muck. Requests a study to understand the reduction of grass and fish in the area.

B. Sierra Club – Recommends an extension to the ban on herbicides and encourages committee members to communicate the recommendation to Palm Beach County Commission.

7. Adjournment

A. Motioned: Pat Magrogan

B. Seconded: Chad Kennedy

C. Passed Unanimously

Next Meeting: October 19, 2026, at 12 p.m.

Attachment A

LOXAHATCHEE RIVER PRESERVATION INITIATIVE

COMMITTEE SIGN-IN SHEET

August 3, 2025

Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative

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SIGN-IN SHEET/Members of Public

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Attachment B

LRPI Application 2026

Loxahatchee River Headwaters Invasive Exotic Plant Removal – Phase II

South Indian River Water Control District (SIRWCD)

This Phase II proposal builds directly upon the FY 2027 LRPI project and continues efforts to remove invasive exotic vegetation within the upper C-14 Canal corridor, beginning at Riverbend Park and progressing upstream into the headwaters of the Wild and Scenic Loxahatchee River. The original project identified the canalized historic river corridor as a significant source of invasive exotic seed dispersal impacting Riverbend Park, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, and the Northwest Fork floodplain.

Funding for the initial project is limited by the South Indian River Water Control District's annual cost-share capacity. Because the District is funded through non-ad valorem revenues, it is implementing the project incrementally each year to minimize the financial burden on District landowners while maintaining progress toward long-term invasive species management and ecosystem restoration goals.

Project Title

Loxahatchee River Headwaters Invasive Exotic Plant Removal – Phase II: Habitat Restoration and Long-Term Exotic Species Suppression

Project Sponsor

South Indian River Water Control District

Estimated Cost

Funding Source	Amount
LRPI Request	$200,000
SIRWCD Match	$200,000
Total Project Cost	$400,000

(Adjustable based on LRPI funding targets.)

Project Description

Phase II expands upon the initial invasive exotic removal effort by targeting additional untreated reaches of the C-14 Canal and adjacent headwater wetlands while implementing follow-up maintenance treatments in areas previously treated under Phase I. The project will focus on eliminating residual invasive populations, restoring native habitat, enhancing riparian buffers, improving hydraulic conveyance, and reducing future invasive seed recruitment into the Wild and Scenic Loxahatchee River system.

The project area includes the upper C-14 Canal, associated drainage corridors, headwater wetlands, and adjacent lands where access agreements are obtained.

Work includes:

- Follow-up treatment of Phase I removal areas.
- Removal of newly established invasive exotic vegetation.
- Expansion into untreated upstream areas and tributary corridors.
- Native vegetation habitat enhancement and restoration through removal of invasive exotic vegetation shade and seeds.
- Monitoring and mapping of treatment effectiveness.
- Continuation of the District's contracted long-term invasive species management program.

Project Benefits (100 words)

- Eliminates invasive exotic seed sources impacting the Loxahatchee River watershed as much as the funding can treat. The Phase 2 is not anticipated to remove all the invasives because the project is designed to incrementally work upstream each year to minimize the financial burden on District landowners while maintaining progress toward long-term invasive species management and ecosystem restoration goals.
- Protects prior LRPI investment by preventing regrowth in Phase I treatment areas.
- The work compliments the District's canal invasive exotic chemical treatment program and Improves habitat quality for native wildlife and vegetation.
- Enhances hydraulic function within the canal system by reducing blockage risks.

- Improves ecosystem resilience within the headwaters of the federally designated Wild and Scenic Loxahatchee River.
- Reduces downstream spread of Australian Pine, Brazilian Pepper, Melaleuca, and other invasive species into Riverbend Park, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, and the Loxahatchee River floodplain.
- Creates a sustainable maintenance strategy that lowers future restoration costs.

Project Readiness

The project is ready to proceed immediately upon funding authorization. SIRWCD has experience implementing invasive exotic vegetation removal projects within the treatment area and has established access to District easements and previously identified treatment locations. No design work is required, and activities are expected to qualify as maintenance vegetation management within existing drainage rights-of-way. Thus no permits are required and the District has two contractors available to access the sites by water to complete the work.

Project Selection Criteria

Bang for the Buck

Phase II protects the State's and SIRWCD's prior investment by ensuring that Phase I treatment areas do not reestablish invasive populations. Follow-up management is widely recognized as the most cost-effective method of achieving long-term ecological restoration success. The project also expands treatment/removal into previously untreated seed-source areas, maximizing downstream environmental benefits.

Ready to Go

Yes.

- Existing treatment areas identified.
- Access is available within SIRWCD easements.
- Procurement procedures established.
- Local match funding available.

- Work can commence immediately after contract execution.

Local Commitment

Yes.

SIRWCD will provide a minimum 50% local match and continue to support project administration, monitoring, contractor oversight, and reporting. The District successfully implemented Phase I and remains committed to long-term watershed restoration.

Regional Significance

This project directly supports:

- Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative objectives.
- Loxahatchee River watershed restoration goals.
- Florida DEP water resource protection objectives.
- Habitat restoration efforts occurring within Riverbend Park and Jonathan Dickinson State Park.
- Long-term preservation of Florida's first federally designated Wild and Scenic River.

Objectives

1. Maintain and enhance all Phase I treatment areas.
2. Remove invasive exotic vegetation from an additional 40–60 acres of river corridor and wetland habitat.
3. Reduce invasive seed production and downstream dispersal.
4. Restore native riparian vegetation communities.
5. Improve ecological connectivity between headwater habitats and downstream conservation lands.
6. Develop a GIS-based inventory and monitoring database for future management.

Scope of Work

Task 1 – Assessment and Mapping

- Ground survey of Phase I treatment areas.
- Mapping of invasive regrowth.
- Identification of new treatment areas.
- GIS documentation.

Task 2 – Mechanical Removal

Target species include:

- Australian Pine
- Brazilian Pepper
- Melaleuca
- Other FLEPPC Category I and II species

Removal methods:

- Forestry mulching
- Chainsaw clearing
- Mechanical extraction
- Stump grinding

Task 3 – Native Habitat Enhancement

- Supplemental sod installation in highly disturbed locations near water.
- Stabilization of disturbed areas.

Task 5 – Monitoring and Reporting

- Before-and-after photography.
- GIS mapping updates.
- Progress reporting.
- Final performance summary.

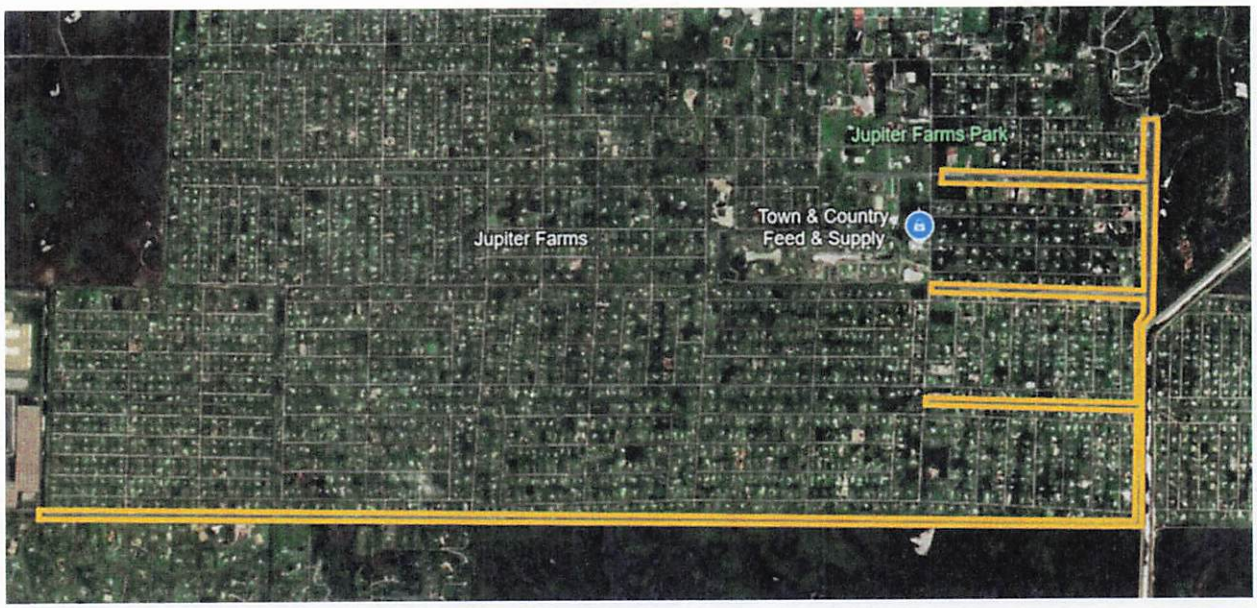
Anticipated Deliverables

Deliverable	Schedule
Treatment Area Assessment	30 Days
GIS Mapping & Survey	60 Days
Mechanical Removal Activities	180 Days
Native Habitat Enhancement	240 Days
Final Monitoring Report	30 Days after Completion

Expected Measurable Results

- Additional areas treated.
- Reduction of target invasive species within treatment areas.
- Significant reduction in invasive seed dispersal to downstream preserves.
- Improved native habitat condition within the headwater's corridor.
- Enhanced protection of the Wild and Scenic Loxahatchee River system.
- Establishment of long-term invasive species management protocols.

Phase I removed the seed source, Phase II protects the investment, expands restoration upstream, and establishes long-lasting invasive species suppression throughout the headwaters of the Loxahatchee River.


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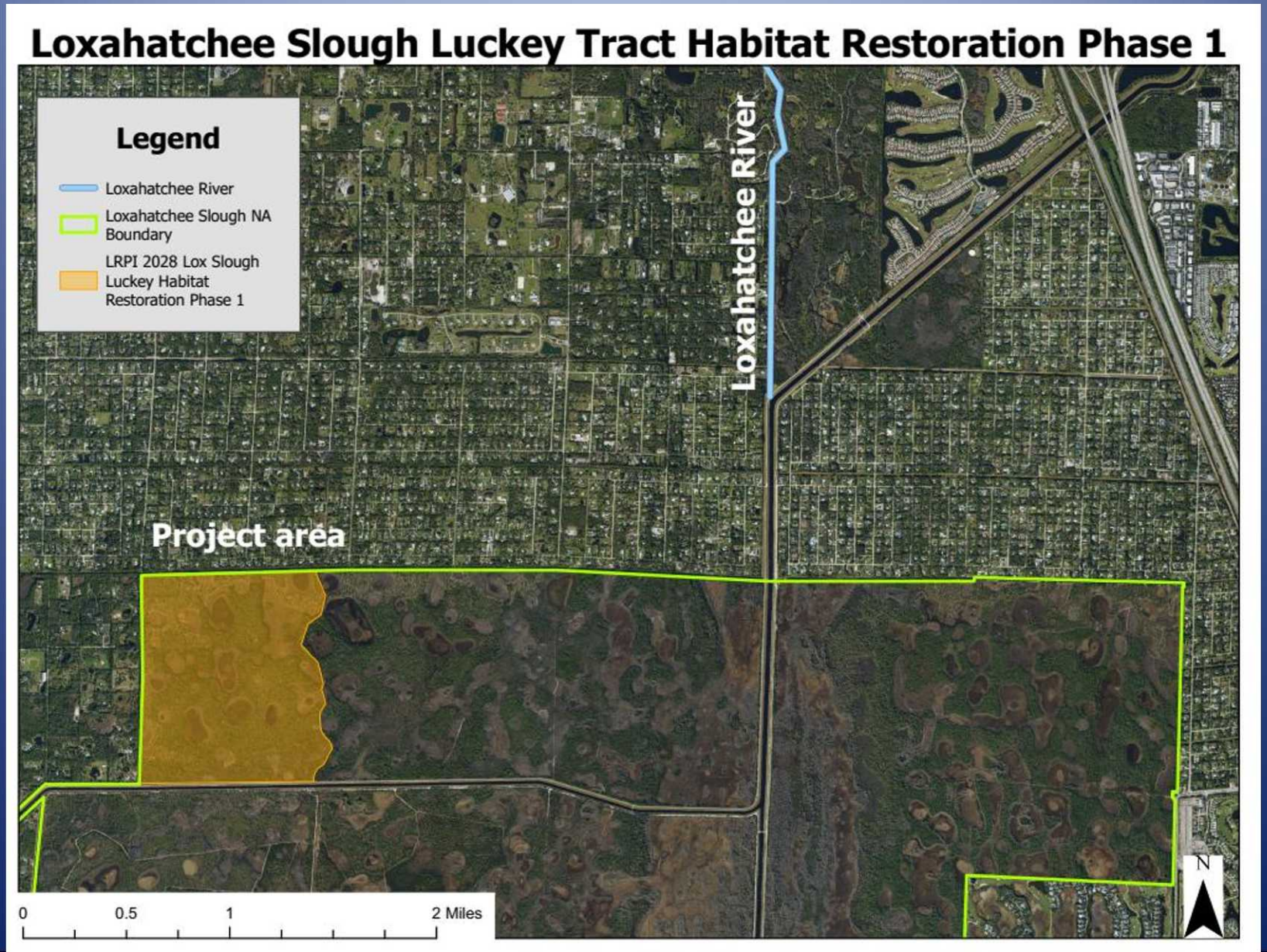
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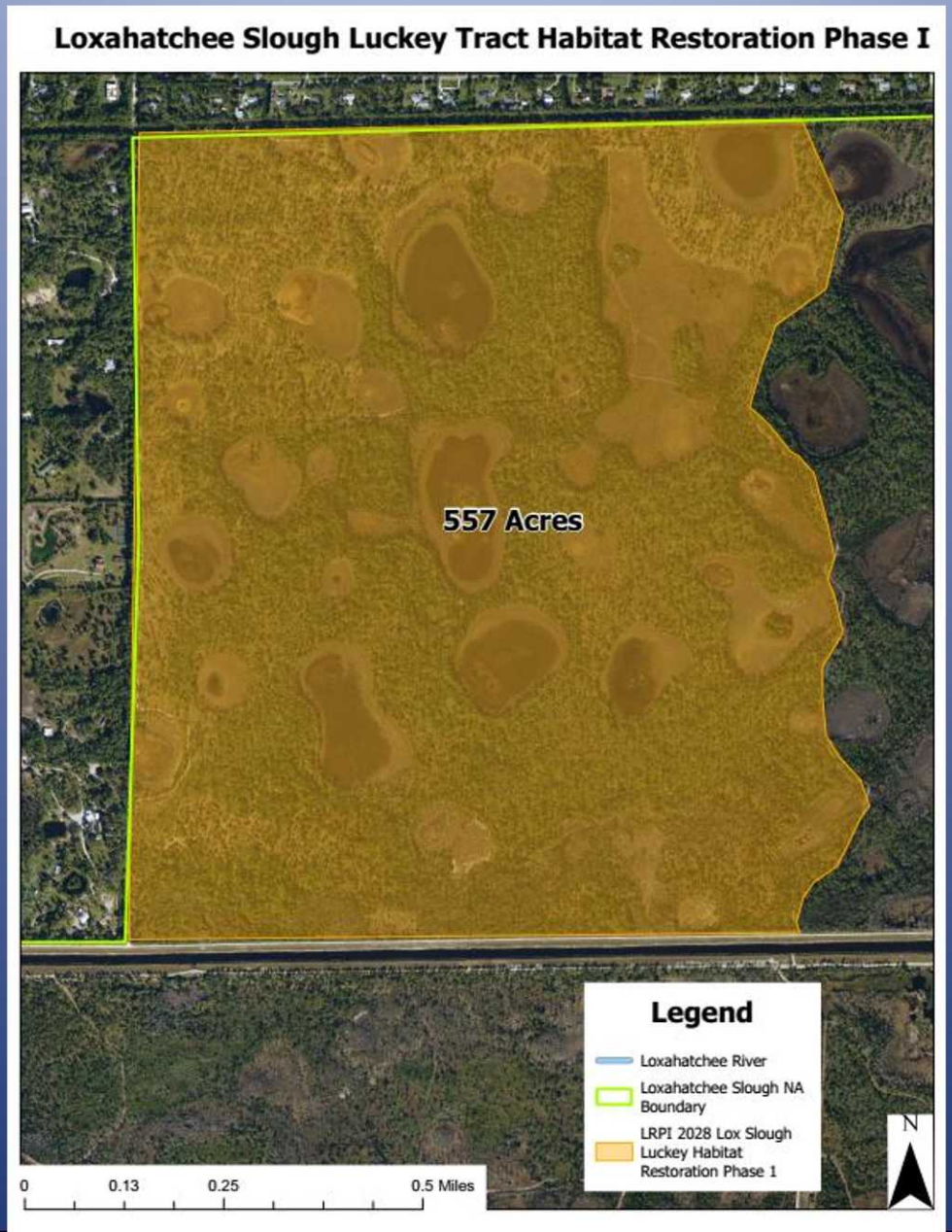
Loxahatchee Slough Luckey Habitat Restoration Phase 1

- Mechanical fuel reduction
- Invasive plant treatment
- Restoration of 557 acres upland habitat
- Benefit 2,007 acres natural systems & Lox River
- Budget $500,000
- Request $250,000 w Match

Loxahatchee Slough Luckey Habitat Restoration
Project Overview Map



Loxahatchee Slough Luckey Habitat Restoration
Detailed Project Map



Project Benefits

- Continue addressing problems caused by fire exclusion: Wildfire damage risk, loss of biodiversity
- Treat invasive species
- Reduce risk of wildfire in adjacent neighborhoods
- Reduce risk of wildfire to ecosystem and water quality

Project Benefits

- Promote future fire management and insure the survival of diverse habitats / endemic & listed species
- Enhancement of wetland habitats, stormwater storage, and aquifer recharge
- Support natural hydrologic flow and wetland function

Project Photos





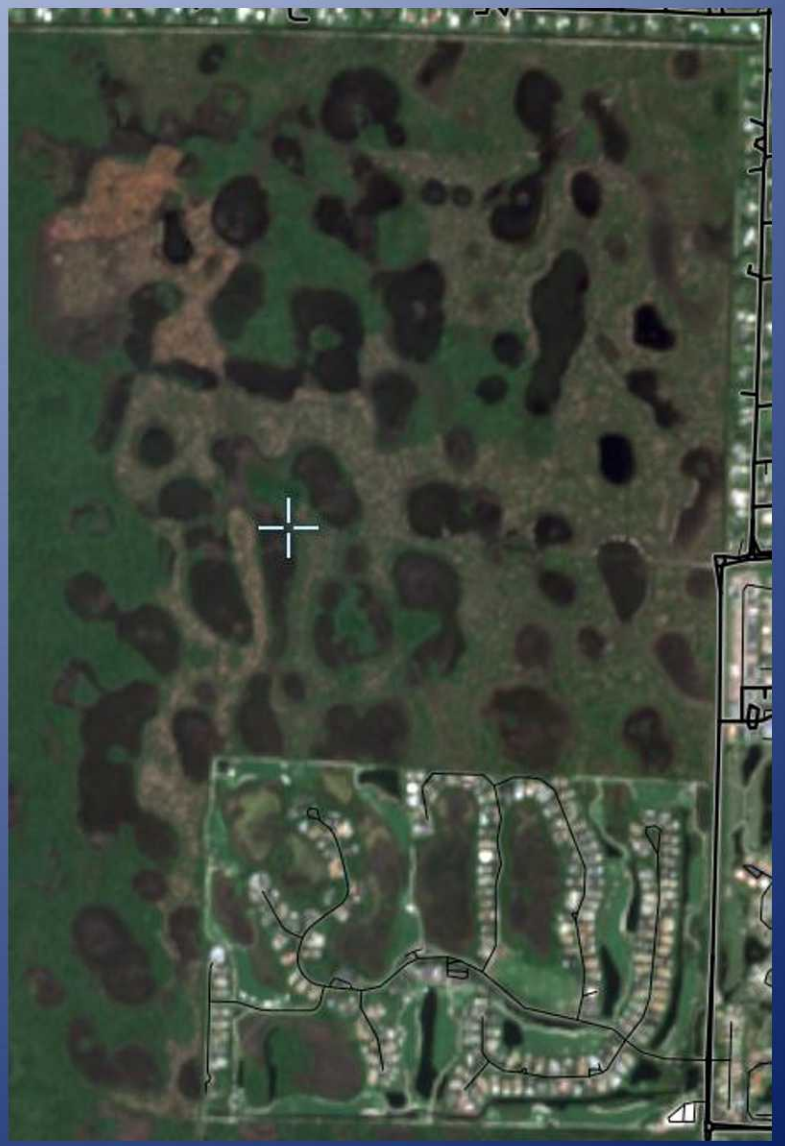
Fuel Reduction Results

FY 2024





FY 25-26 (Aerial 7/13/2026)



Fuel Reduction Results



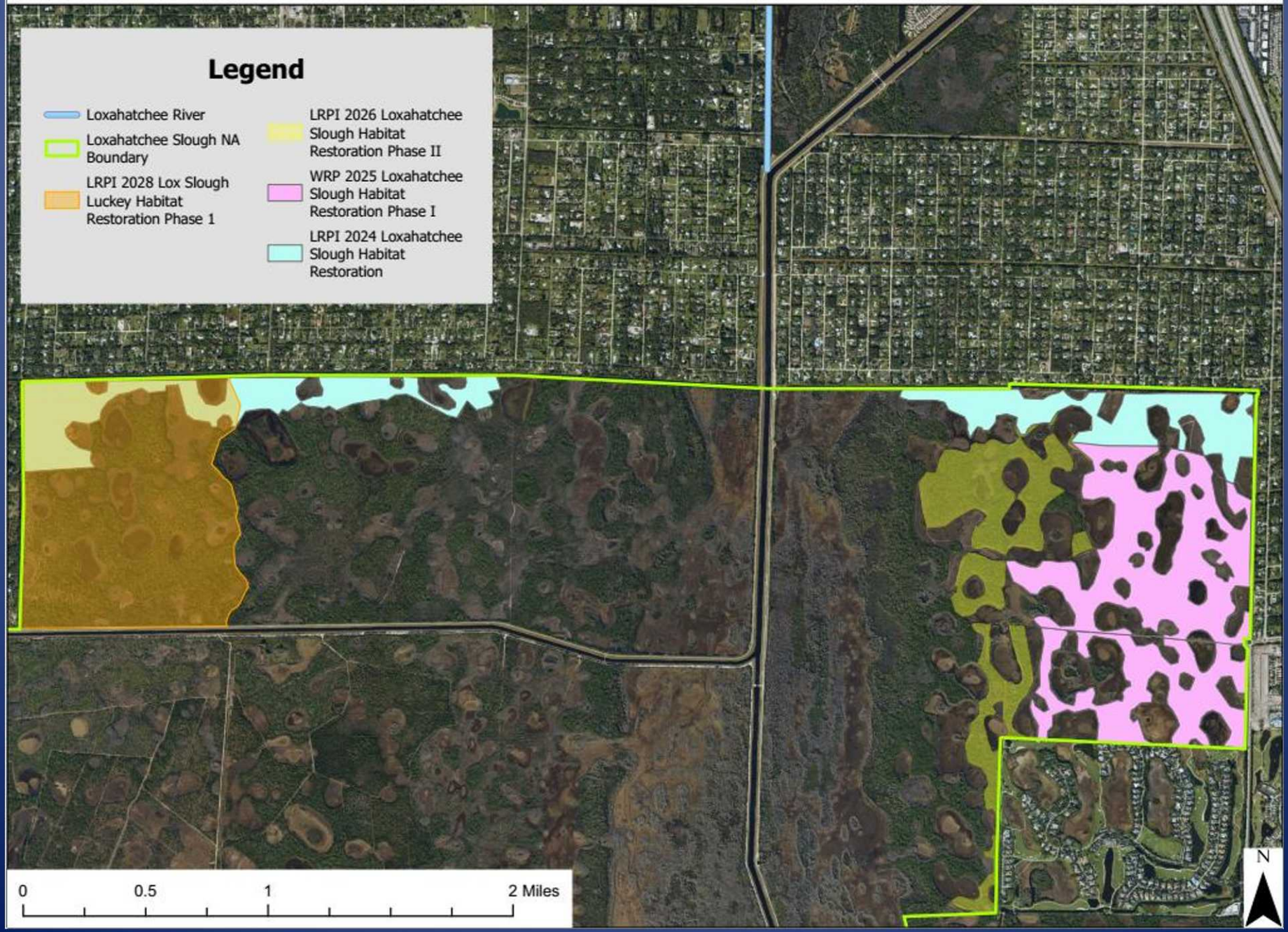
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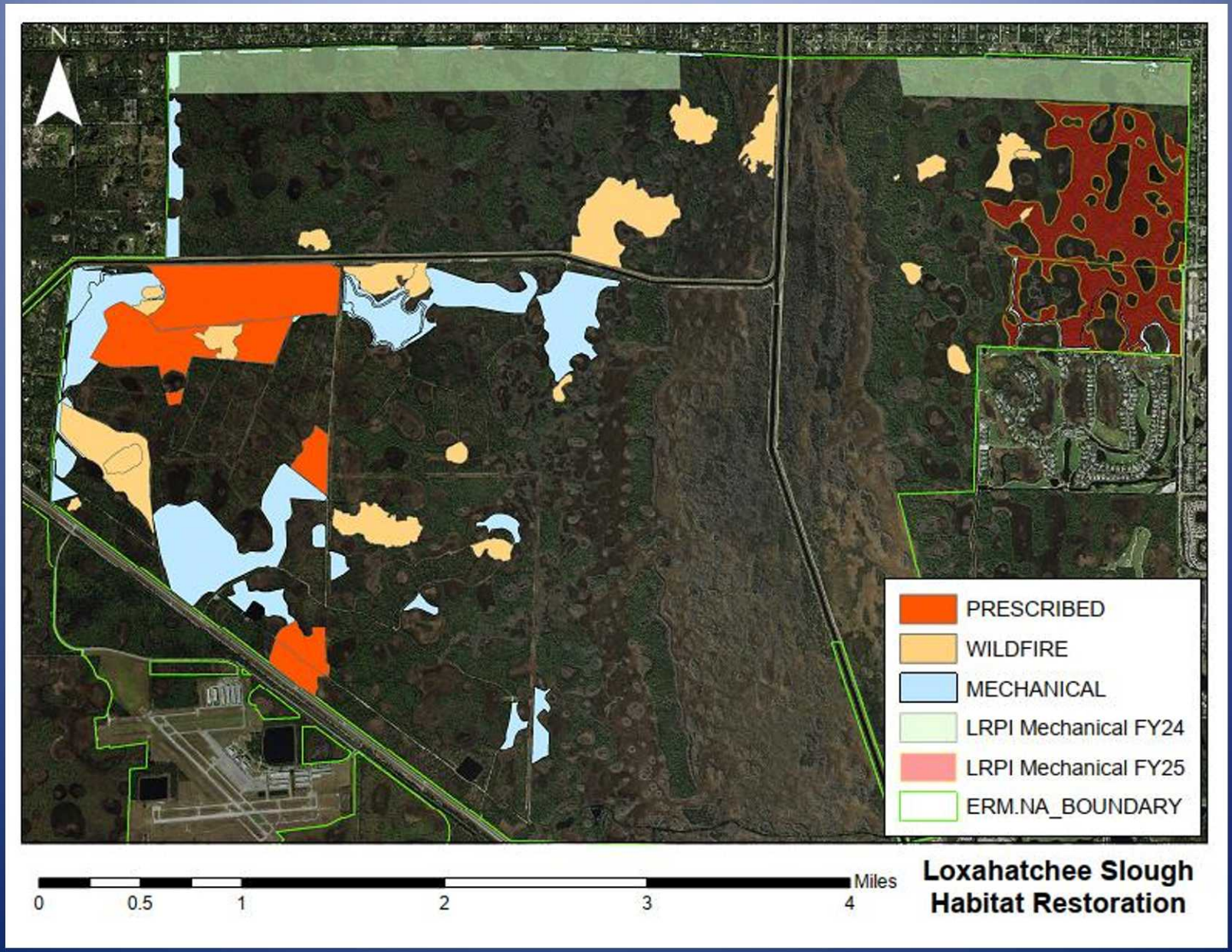
Bang for the Buck

- Aid in habitat enhancement to ~2,007 acres (Luckey) of natural systems benefitting wildlife
- Enhance native habitat by reducing invasive species
- Preserve water attenuation and protect the hydrologic integrity
- Reduction of heavy fuels along the WUI
- Build on previous WUI/ Fire management projects

Loxahatchee Slough LRPI/WRP Recent Projects 24-28



Fire Mgmt History LOS

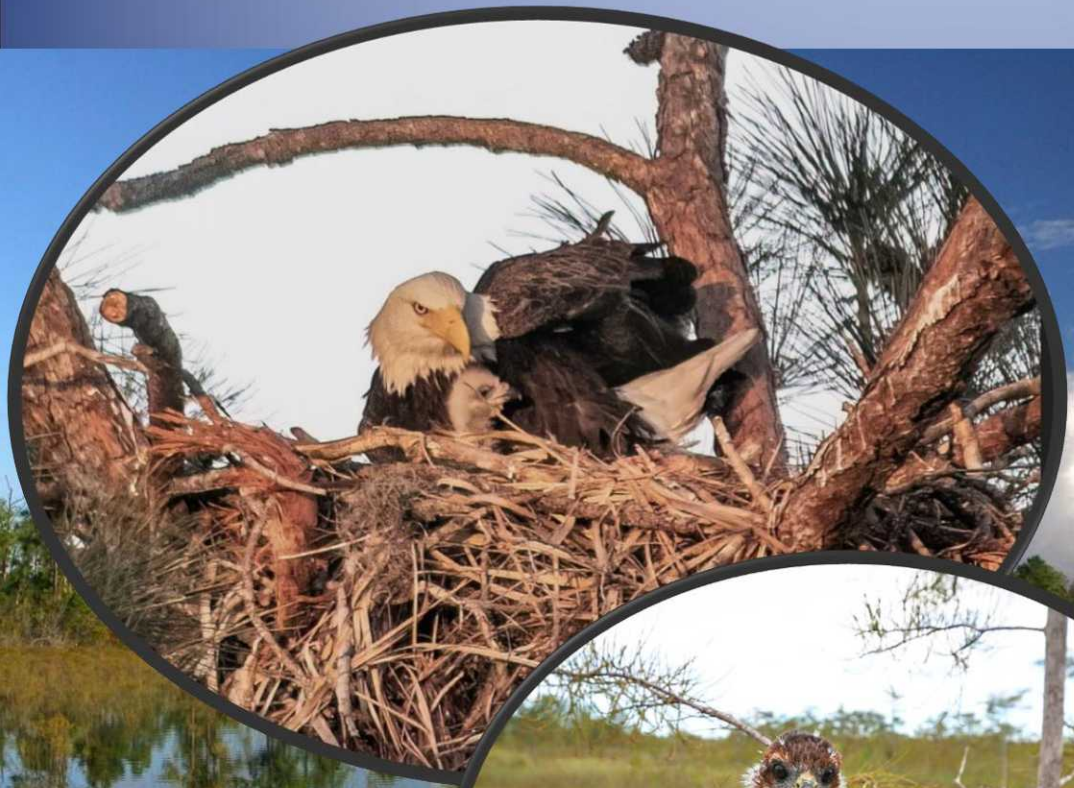


Project Readiness

- No permits required
- Work can begin immediately using contractors who specialize in vegetation reduction and invasive vegetation under our master agreement
- County will provide 50% matching costs, consisting of direct funding



Questions ?







Attachment D

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Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative
Fiscal Year 2027 Projects Proposals

Committee Member Name: LRPI
Agency:

No.	Project Name	Sponsor	Contact	John Maehl	Deb Drum	Rebecca Wilder	Albrey Arrington	Libby Reinert	Chad Kennedy	Jim Davis	Allyson Burg	Patricia Magrogan	John Melson	Sara Ouly	Jon Moore	Score	Include or Not Include
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Committee Member Name: LRPI JOHN MELSON
Agency:

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Committee Member Name: LRPI Sara Ouly
Agency: SFWMD

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Agency: JID

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Committee Member Name: LRPI
Agency: ~~Town of Jupiter~~ Amanda Barnes

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Committee Member Name: LRPI Allyson
Agency: Village of Tequesta

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Agency: LRD

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Agency: DEP

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Agency: PBC

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Agency: LOREC

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• BREWED TO BENEFIT

HOSTED AT TEQUESTA Smokehouse

COME CELEBRATE OUR 11TH ANNUAL

NIGHT FOR THE Natural Areas

Saturday, August 15
2:00–7:00 PM
Artwork raffled at 5 & 7pm

Tequesta Brewing Company
287 US Highway 1, Tequesta, FL 33469

2026 ARTIST LINEUP

@captainkimophoto
@jeffbiegephotography
@alysiawright_art
@devinnoeldesigns
@benjistudtphoto
@carolineskae
@lightswitchaddict
@thickpaint
@weingarth.art
@cruisebogledesigns
@katherinehofmann.studio

YOUR $30 DONATION INCLUDES:

1. One craft beer pour
2. Food from **Tequesta Smokehouse & Hog Snappers**
3. A raffle ticket for stunning nature photography & artwork

LIMITED CAN RELEASE · AUG 15th 2026

Loxahatchee Lager

A European Pilsner, brewed with the Natural Areas in mind.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH TEQUESTA Smokehouse · TBC · Palm Beach Creamed Honey · hog snappers

Brewed to Benefit *The Natural Areas*