

Management Planning

Management Planning is an important step along the path of effective stewardship of Florida's land resources. Management plans are required by Florida statutes to be written for all District Conservation Lands over 1000 acres. These plans are to be reviewed by an adhoc multi-party review team and updated every 10 years, although the District is committed to exceed this standard by having management reviews every 5 years. A management review team consists of one member each of:

- the Water Management District
- a private Land Manager
- the local soil and water conservation district board of supervisors
- the Division of Forestry
- the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- the Department of Environmental Protection
- a conservation organization
- a user group
- a resident of the county where the property is located

The District has about 1.2 million acres of land in 25 projects that are managed for conservation purposes, including the Water Conservation Areas. The District has developed partnerships with other agencies to help manage these projects. On 10 of those projects the District is the "lead manager" and creates General Management Plans to meet its statute obligations.

Management activities are designed for each site based on the Land Stewardship Program's (LSP) mission for Conservation Lands, "to provide natural resource protection and management while allowing compatible multiple uses on designated public lands." The LSP has three primary goals for managing its conservation lands:

- Conserve and protect water resources
- Protect and/or restore land to its natural state and condition
- Provide public use

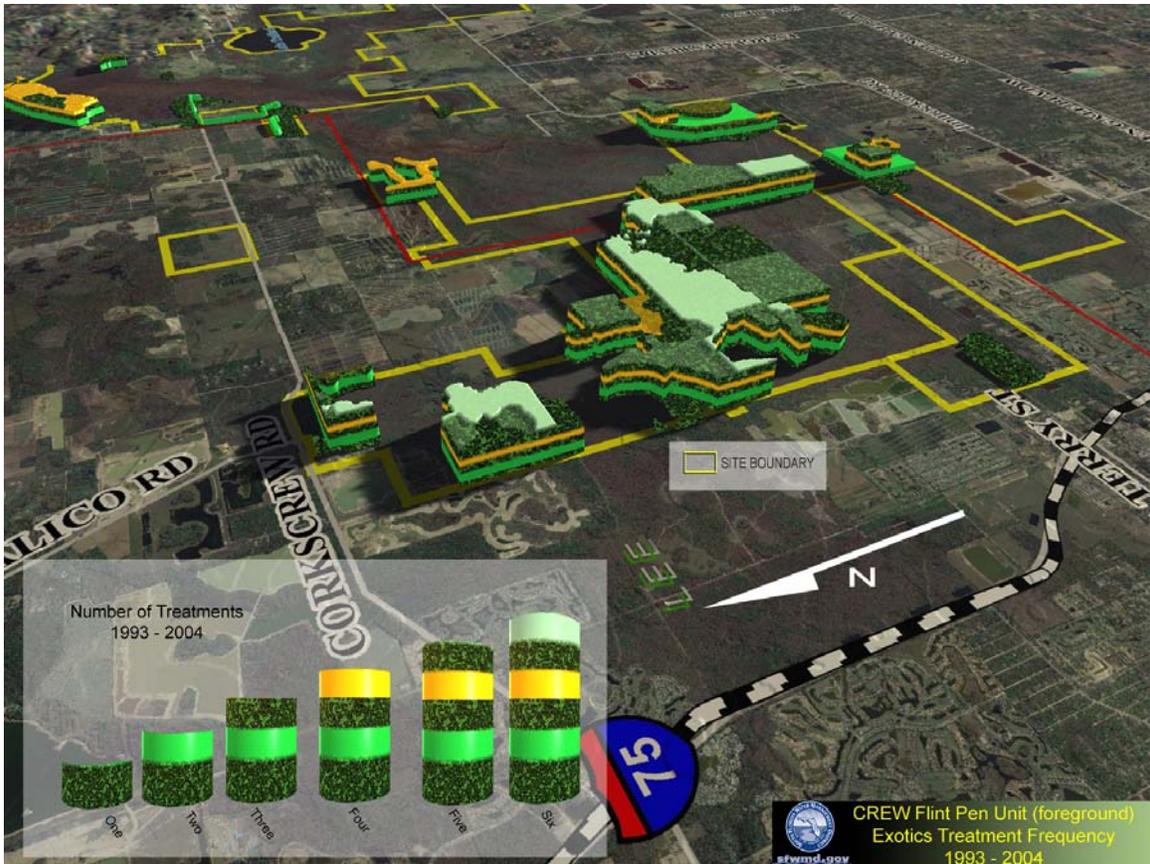
To accomplish these goals, the LSP performs six major functions:

- Strategic, project, and management planning
- Operation and maintenance of land resources
- Development of public use programs
- Development of restoration projects
- Evaluation of management activities
- Administration of land management service contracts & lease agreements

The General Management Plans include goals and objectives, past and present land uses, resource data, restoration and management needs, public use programs, compatible multiple uses, monitoring programs, site security, and administrative duties to guide management actions for the 5-year period. As such, it serves as a collective information source for management staff, partners, and the general public.



A review team meeting is held every 5 years for all District managed conservation lands over 1000 acres



Adaptive Management: Planning management activities for the future requires looking at how effective past management has been and changing those activities when appropriate.

Land Management Planning

-  Conservation Lands:
Other Lead Manager
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District Lead Manager
-  Other District Lands

District Lands with 5-year Management Plans

1. Shingle Creek
2. Reedy Creek
3. Lake Marion Creek
4. Kissimmee Chain of
Lakes
5. Kissimmee Pool A
6. Kissimmee Pool C & D
7. Allapattah
8. DuPuis
9. Cypress Creek
10. CREW

