Corkscrew Regional Mitigation Bank

Lee County

Area within planning boundary footprint

633 acres

District fee-simple ownership

633 acres

Other public fee-simple ownership

~ 0 acres

Area under other protective restriction (conservation easement, platted preserve area, etc.)

~ 0 acres

Site Overview

The Corkscrew Regional Mitigation Bank consists of 632 acres, situated along the southern edge of the Imperial Marsh Mitigation Project. The goal has been to restore historic wetland function through hydroperiod restoration, exotic removal and controlled burn. These efforts are ongoing.

Assessment Units

None.

Core Mission Values

The area supports natural systems restoration by providing mitigation for impacts to wetlands.

Other Resource Value

The area borders the Imperial Marsh mitigation project, expanding the amount of protected conservation land in the area.

Management Issues

The area is managed by EarthMark, a private company, until all of the credits are sold and restoration success is achieved. Proceeds from the sale of credits are shared with the district to fund other land management needs and the long-term management of the property.

Public Use and Recreation Value

The mitigation bank is not currently open for recreation because the restoration of the site is ongoing.



The Corkscrew Regional Mitigation Bank, purchased in 1996 with funding from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund. District ownership is outlined in yellow.

Corkscrew Regional Mitigation Bank, Photos



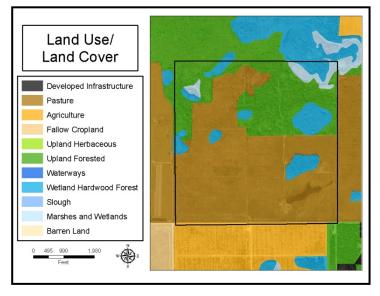


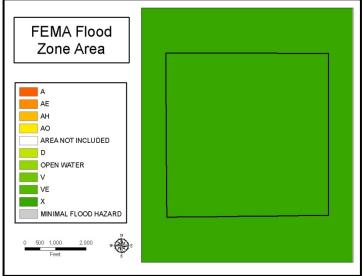


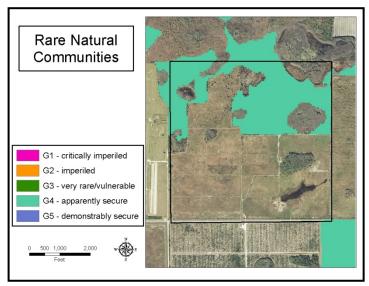


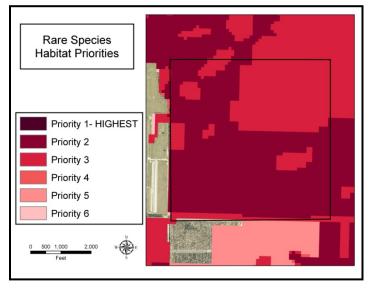
Heavy equipment re-contouring the land to its historic condition (top), ground crews planting hydric pines (bottom left), and a fireline on the northern part of the property (bottom right).

Corkscrew Regional Mitigation Bank: Land Character





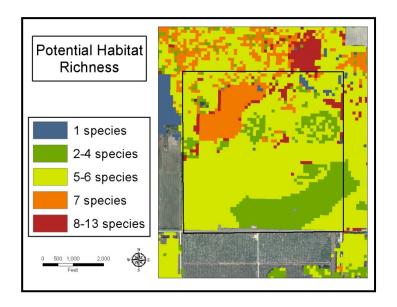


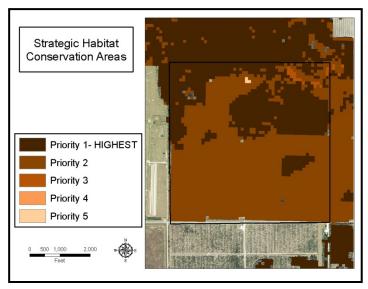


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