

Controlled Wood FSC US National Risk Assessment: **Resources for Mitigation – Central Florida CBA**

The following provides a list of organizations, regional programs, collaborative partnerships, research groups and universities, or agencies who are working on issues relevant to the Central Florida CBA. This list is provided as a resource for certified organizations as they seek to implement mitigation options in the region. Certified organizations are not limited to working with the entities listed herein. FSC US does not endorse any particular resource – it is the responsibility of the certified organization to assess the adequacy of the resource for their particular context and intended use.

This list will continue to be updated, check the FSC US Controlled Wood National Risk Assessment website for updates.

If you have recommendations for entities to add to this list of resources, please contact FSC US at j.anderson@us.fsc.org.

NOTE: The primary driver for biodiversity in the Central Florida CBA is identified as Pine Flatwoods, and mitigation options are similar to Native Longleaf Pine Systems. In addition to resources below, see resources for the Native Longleaf Pine Systems risk topic (separate document).

Organizations & Regional Programs

<u>Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission – Florida's Cooperative</u> <u>Conservation Blueprint</u> – designed to implement the FL SWAP through collaboration with landowners, businesses, government, and conservation organizations.

Florida Forest Service – offers technical assistance to landowners and management.

<u>Florida State Wildlife Action Plan</u> (FL SWAP) – description of Natural Pineland habitat, conservation status, and recommendations for action.

<u>Chapter 6 – Habitats (Natural Pineland p. 353)</u> <u>Chapter 7 – Threats and Conservation Actions</u>

<u>Florida's Wildlife Legacy Initiative</u> – partnership working with the FL SWAP and grant opportunities to protect and restore wildlife habitat.

<u>NRCS Environmental Quality Incentive Program</u> – provides landowner assistance (financial and technical) to restore longleaf ecosystems in Florida.

<u>University of Florida - School of Forest Resources & Conservation (SFRC)</u> <u>Florida Forest Stewardship Program</u> – provides education and outreach to landowners

<u>US FWS - South Florida Multi-Species Recovery Plan</u> – description of ecosystem, management, and restoration needs for species and plant communities.

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