



2022-23 Wild Turkey Cost-share Projects

The Wild Turkey Cost Share program allows the FWC and its partners to pool their resources to fund habitat management projects on public lands open to turkey hunting. Since the Wild Turkey Cost Share Program began in 1994, over \$6 million have been spent to improve public land habitat, which has benefitted wild turkeys and other species such as red-cockaded woodpeckers, gopher tortoises, and indigo snakes.



Funding for this program is possible through:

- The FWC and turkey hunters, who generate money by purchasing turkey permits, which are required to hunt wild turkeys in Florida (unless exempt)
- NWTF – Florida Hunting Heritage Super Fund, which includes revenue generated from banquets and other fundraising events
- The Florida Forest Service
- Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida grant funding from the sale of license plates featuring an image of a deer

2022-23 Goals At A Glance

In 2022-23, available funds through this cooperative program totaled over \$420,000, which will support 29 projects on 21 managed properties in Florida, including wildlife management areas and national wildlife refuges. These habitat improvement projects include prescribed fire, roller chopping, applying herbicides, mulching and wildlife plantings.



Prescribed fire is a cost-effective tool to manage habitats for a variety of wildlife.

Total Program Value

Available funds:
\$420,000

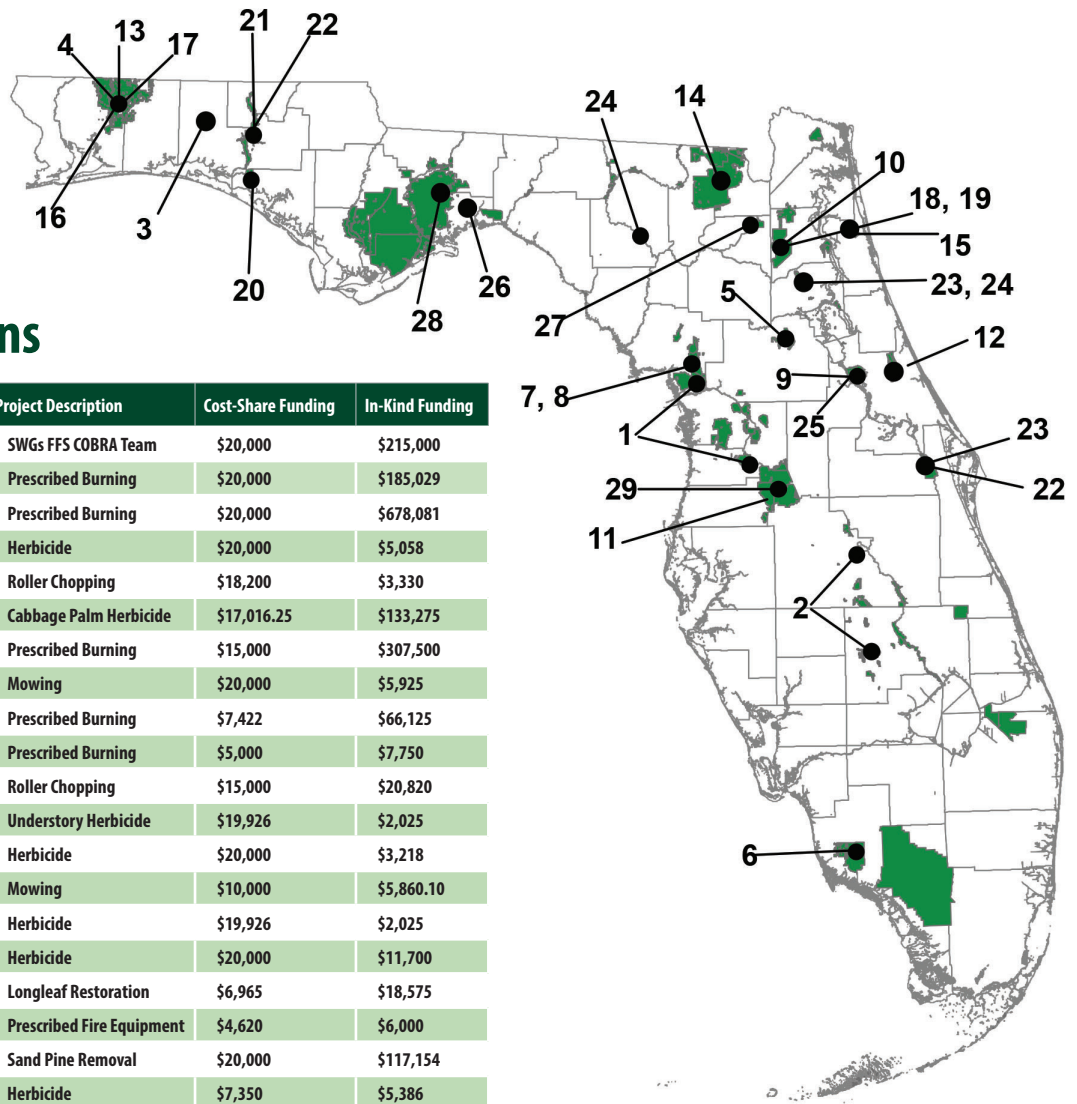
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In-kind funding:
\$1.8 million

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Total program
value: over
\$2.2 million

Project Locations



Project Descriptions

Project#	Location	Project Description	Cost-Share Funding	In-Kind Funding
1	Brooksville/Mt.Dora Ridges	SWG's FFS COBRA Team	\$20,000	\$215,000
2	TNC Central Florida Burn Team	Prescribed Burning	\$20,000	\$185,029
3	GCPEP Burn Team	Prescribed Burning	\$20,000	\$678,081
4	Blackwater River SF	Herbicide	\$20,000	\$5,058
5	Gores Landing WMA	Roller Chopping	\$18,200	\$3,330
6	Florida Panther NWR (USFWS)	Cabbage Palm Herbicide	\$17,016.25	\$133,275
7	Goethe State Forest	Prescribed Burning	\$15,000	\$307,500
8	Goethe State Forest	Mowing	\$20,000	\$5,925
9	Lake George State Forest	Prescribed Burning	\$7,422	\$66,125
10	Camp Blanding	Prescribed Burning	\$5,000	\$7,750
11	Green Swamp East (SWFWMD)	Roller Chopping	\$15,000	\$20,820
12	Tiger Bay State Forest	Understory Herbicide	\$19,926	\$2,025
13	Blackwater River SF	Herbicide	\$20,000	\$3,218
14	Osceola WMA	Mowing	\$10,000	\$5,860.10
15	Matanzas State Forest	Herbicide	\$19,926	\$2,025
16	Blackwater SF (Hutton Unit)	Herbicide	\$20,000	\$11,700
17	Blackwater River SF	Longleaf Restoration	\$6,965	\$18,575
18	Camp Blanding	Prescribed Fire Equipment	\$4,620	\$6,000
19	Camp Blanding	Sand Pine Removal	\$20,000	\$117,154
20	Pine Log State Forest	Herbicide	\$7,350	\$5,386
21	Choctawhatchee River (NFWFMD)	Prescribed Burning	\$20,000	\$2,000
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23	Etoniah Creek State Forest	Herbicide	\$13,000	\$2,525
24	Etoniah State Forest	Mowing	\$20,000	\$5,745
25	Lake George SF (Volusia County)	Mulching	\$8,500	\$18,154
26	Wakulla State Forest	Wildlife Openings	\$1,230	\$2,500
27	Raiford WMA	Prescribed Burning	\$19,968	\$31,580
28	Apalachicola National Forest (Turkey Enhancement Area)	New Signage	\$1,245	\$1,000
	Green Swamp	Mowing	\$10,000	\$6,000
		TOTAL	\$420,368	\$1,871,340
		GRAND TOTAL	\$2,291,708	

