MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Bill McKinstry, Office Chief, Land Management

THRU: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources

DATE: August 31, 2019

SUBJECT: District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary

District contractors completed ditch moving for this fiscal year.

District staff installed kiosks at Mattair Springs and Christian tracts explaining natural community restoration.

District contractors completed fuel reduction mowing at Jones Mill Creek Tract.

District staff installed two grills in the Group Camping Area at Goose Pasture Campground.

Repair work continues on public use roads on the Mallory Swamp Tract. Completed roads include - Crapp's Tower, Eastmain Line, Sandy Grade, and Tom Gunter roads.

Florida Forest Service (FFS) staff completed an invasive plant survey and subsequent herbicidal treatment of infestations discovered on the Mill Creek North Tract and initiated a survey on the Mill Creek South Tract.

FFS staff along with an FFS volunteer used the appropriate herbicides to treat an infestation of Chinaberry trees on the Anderson Springs Tract along the public entrance road to the spring.

Chemical site preparation was conducted on 508 acres at the Mill Creek North and South tracts of TRSF.

FFS staff completed road and shoulder mowing of all the non-Water Management Area tracts on the TRSF. The remainder of the tracts is scheduled for mowing next month. In addition, single drum chopping along road shoulders and firebreaks was conducted to control encroaching hardwoods on the Mill Creek South and Ellaville tracts.

The attached report summarizes the status of current District and TRSF activities for the preceding month. District staff will address any items of interest to the Board or provide information to Board members upon request.

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