OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES



OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RIDING ON THE OCALA NATIONAL FOREST

The Ocala National Forest currently manages two trail systems: the **Ocala North and Wandering Wiregrass OHV Trail Systems**. The Ocala National Forest is a unique and productive forest that is actively managed to restore native environments. Two trail systems offer a variety of recreation experiences: (1) the Ocala North OHV Trail System offers a longer experience with six distinct trail loops and (2) the Wandering Wiregrass OHV Trail offers shorter day-use riding. Note that both trails have sections on roads that allow both licensed and unlicensed vehicles.

OCALA NORTH OHV TRAIL SYSTEM - 104 milesWANDERING• DIRECTIONS – How to Get to the Ocala North
OHV Trail System: West Delancy Trailhead• DIRECTION
Trailhead

<u>From Salt Springs</u> intersection of SR 19 and CR 316, take SR 19 north 4.5 miles. Turn left on Forest Road 75. Travel 3 miles and turn left into West Delancy Trailhead.

• DIRECTIONS – How to Get to the Ocala North OHV Trail System: Rodman Trailhead

<u>From Salt Springs</u> intersection of SR 19 and CR 316, take SR 19 north 8 miles. Turn left on Forest Road 77. Travel 4.5 miles and turn right onto Forest Road 88; continue 1 mile to Rodman Trailhead.

• Camping for the Ocala North OHV Trail System

Lake Delancy West provides camping for ATV and Motorcycle use. The Salt Springs campground is in the vicinity, but OHVs must be hauled or trailered out to the Ocala North OHV Trail System trailheads.

Where Can I ride?

OHVs must stay on the designated trails. All crosscountry (off road, off trail) travel by any motorized vehicle, including OHVs, is prohibited. No mudding or destruction of resources is allowed.

Except on sections designated on the trails, all roads are closed to non-street legal OHVs. It is not legal to "cut donuts" in roads or to ride road cut banks and fill slopes. It is not legal for riders to make their own trails.

Safety

Riders should wear appropriate safety gear, carry a first aid kit, and ride with caution.

The trails are two-way and provide a primitive trail experience. Blind turns, hikers, other riders, or horses should be anticipated. Roots, logs, and stream crossings will be slippery. Riding fast is hazardous and is not recommended. It is unlawful to operate an OHV under the influence of drugs or alcohol or in such a manner that endangers the safety of others.

WANDERING WIREGRASS OHV TRAIL - 16 miles

• DIRECTIONS - How to Get to the Wandering Wiregrass Trailhead

<u>From Altoona</u> intersection of SR 19 and CR 42, take SR 19 north 5 miles and turn right on CR 445. Proceed 2 miles and turn right onto the powerline right-of-way into the Wandering Wiregrass Trailhead.

• DIRECTIONS - How to Get to the Wandering Wiregrass Trailhead

<u>From Astor</u> intersection of SR 40 and CR 445, take CR 445 south 8 miles and turn left onto the powerline right-of-way into the Wandering Wiregrass Trailhead.

Camping for the Wandering Wiregrass Trail

Alexander Springs, Clearwater Lake and Lake Dorr are campgrounds in the vicinity, but OHVs must be trailered to the Wandering Wiregrass OHV trailhead.

What are the equipment, registration, and license requirements on the OHV trails?

No vehicle can exceed an overall width of 50 inches. Forest Service approved spark arrestors are required on all Ocala National Forest lands.

Florida requires owners to have their OHVs titled. For details visit: www.hsmv.state.fl.us.

Fees

Fees are proposed for trail use and may be implemented as early as April 2007. Fees for camping and day-use will be incurred at developed recreation areas.

Tread Lightly --- Stay on Designated Trails

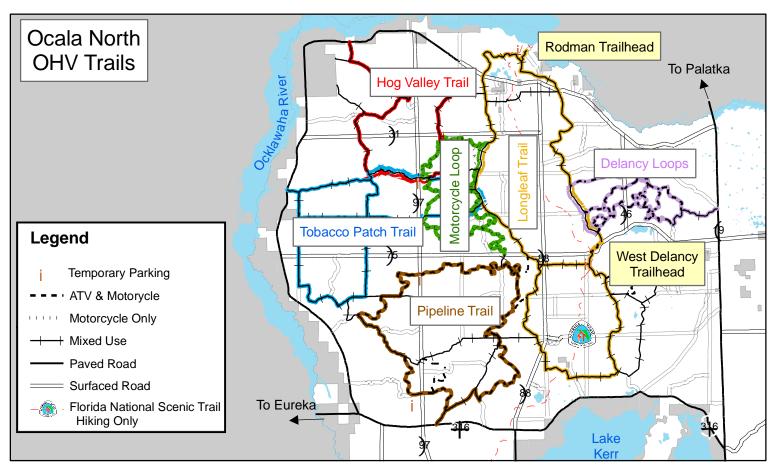
Soils are sensitive to high levels of disturbance. Plant life is plentiful, but still fragile. The plants help stabilize the soil, provide needed nutrients, retain moisture, and provide food and shelter for all forms of wildlife. Please remember this is their home and you are a visitor.



For more information on the Ocala National Forest, please visit the web at: <u>www.fs.fed.us/r8/florida</u>



Or call 352 625-2520 or 352 669-3153



Trail Name	Mileage	Trail	Motorcycle	ATV
		Color		
Delancy Loops	16	Violet	Yes	Yes
Hog Valley Trail	12.6	Red	Yes	Yes
Longleaf Trail	24.7	Yellow	Yes	Yes
Motorcycle Loop	14	Green	Yes	No
Pipeline Trail	19.2	Brow n	Yes	Yes
Tobacco Patch Trail	18.2	Blue	Yes	Yes
Wandering Wiregrass Trail	16.7	Purple	Yes	Yes

Wandering Wiregrass Trail

