



FLORIDA NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL COALITION

2012 Strategic Plan 5 Year Summary

The following is a summary of the major accomplishments by FNST Coalition members and partners in the implementation of the FNST 5 – Year Strategic Plan (2012-2017).

COMPLETE THE TRAIL- ADD 100 NEW SCENIC AND DESIGNATED MILES OF FNST TOWARDS COMPLETION OF A HIGH-QUALITY TRAIL.

In the last 5 years 83.4 miles of designated FNST have been developed. After accounting for the designated trail removed in the course of relocation the overall FNST mileage saw a net gain of 32.4 net miles and a total of 14.7 net miles of trail connectors (roadwalks) were removed.

DESIGNATED TRAIL		TRAIL CONNECTORS	
<i>Developed</i>	<i>Removed</i>	<i>Developed</i>	<i>Removed</i>
83.4 Miles	51 Miles	41.5 Miles	56.2 Miles
32.4 Net Miles Developed		14.7 Net Miles Removed	

Notable Trail & Infrastructure Development

- Choctawhatchee River Section
- Kissimmee River Reroute
- Camp Blanding
- White Springs
- Ocean Pond Boardwalk
- Swift Creek Bridge

STANDARDS- 100% OF EXISTING DESIGNATED FNST MEETS THE RECREATION, INFORMATION AND INTERPRETIVE TRAIL STANDARDS WITHIN ITS RESOURCE CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY OF 1-5.

100% of the FNST was assigned a Trail Class 1 – 5 and have been maintained to standard since 2012. The FNST Program also developed the following-

- ArcGIS Online mapping platform
- Northern and Southern Termini Markers
- Trail infrastructure inventories
- Standardized kiosk information

5 YEAR SUMMARY

GOAL 1- COMPLETE THE TRAIL

83.4 Designated Miles Total

32.4 Net Miles Developed

GOAL 2- STANDARDS

100% maintained to Standard

GOAL 3- PARTNERSHIPS

10% Certification Agreements with land managers updated

GOAL 4- PROMOTION

80% know they are on the Trail

PARTNERSHIPS - EACH OF THE FNST LAND MANAGERS PROACTIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO TRAIL DEVELOPMENT, MAINTENANCE AND PROMOTION OF THEIR SEGMENT AS PART OF THE LARGER WHOLE.

10% of certification agreements with major land managers have been renewed covering nearly 1/3 of FNST total mileage. Other partnership accomplishments include-

- Innovative partnerships with local governments and non-profits
- Strengthened relationship with Florida Trail Association
- Streamlined infrastructure review process

PROMOTION - 100% OF TRAIL RECREATIONISTS KNOW THEY ARE ON THE FNST, KNOW THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TRAIL AND KNOW HOW THEIR EXPERIENCE IS PART OF THE LARGER WHOLE.

According to University of Florida visitor surveys, approximately 80% of visitors know they are on the FNST when asked. Other notable promotion accomplishments include-

- Calendar of Statewide Events
- Updated FNST Brochure and Map
- Junior Explorer Activity Book