

## Crystal River Archaeological State Park

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**Planning Region:** Gulf Coast

**County:** Citrus

**Lease/Management Agreement Number:** 3614

### Overview

The purpose of Crystal River Archaeological State Park is to preserve and interpret the mound structures, greater ceremonial complex, and the lifeways of the coastal dwellers who used the area in ancient times.

**Total Acreage:** 61.48

<b>Natural Communities</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Shell Mound	8.67
Hydric Hammock	41.63
Salt Marsh	0.22

  

<b>Altered Land Cover</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Developed	10.96

**Acquisition:** Crystal River Archaeological State Park was initially acquired on August 6, 1962, through a donation of 14.5 acres. Since the donation, additional parcels were acquired and incorporated into Crystal River Archaeological State Park.

### Resource Management Component Objectives

#### Hydrology

- Assess the park's hydrological restoration needs.

#### Natural Communities

- Restore and maintain the natural communities of the park.

#### Imperiled Species

- Update baseline imperiled species occurrence list.

#### Invasive and Nuisance Species

- Annually treat 20 acres of invasive plant species.

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### **Cultural Resources**

- Assess/evaluate 7 of 7 recorded cultural resources in the park.
- Compile reliable documentation for all recorded historic and archaeological resources.
- Prevent further degradation to 6 of 7 cultural resources.

### **Land Use Component Objectives**

#### **Conceptual Land Use**

##### Main Entrance (State Park Street)

- Construction of an entrance station – pending land acquisition

##### Seawall Removal and Restoration

- Coordinate with the Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection and FWC
- Develop a plan to restore the area to a living shoreline along with a small fishing wharf

##### Mound "A"

- Replace the steps and platform on the large mound utilizing resilient materials such as composite decking

##### Visitors Center/Museum

- Update the Scope of Collections Statement

#### **Optimum Boundary**

The park's optimum boundary includes submerged lands surrounding Roberts Island. These lands contain cultural resources that are a continuation of the pre-historic culture represented at the park. They are also ecologically significant as estuarine wildlife habitat and natural buffering between land and water environments.