



# **Partners for Fish & Wildlife** **Program**

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# Partners for Fish and Wildlife

- Voluntary program that provides technical and financial assistance for habitat restoration on private lands.
- Private lands = Any non-federal or non-state lands.
- Emphasis is placed on projects that benefit federal trust resources including Federally- listed T&E species and other declining or imperiled species, migratory birds, and inter-jurisdictional fisheries and lands adjacent to Refuges.

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- Funding assistance through the Partners Program is not available to purchase land-use rights (e.g., to purchase easements, pay rent, etc.).
- Projects with private landowners must secure a minimum 10-year agreement.
- 50/50 cost-share, either monetarily or in-kind.
- Year-round (continuous) acceptance of proposals. (**The When!**)



# Typical private lands restoration practices:



1. Tree harvest / thinning
2. Herbicide application / exotic invasive control
3. Groundcover restoration
4. Tree planting
5. RCW Artificial cavity inserts
6. Prescribed fire



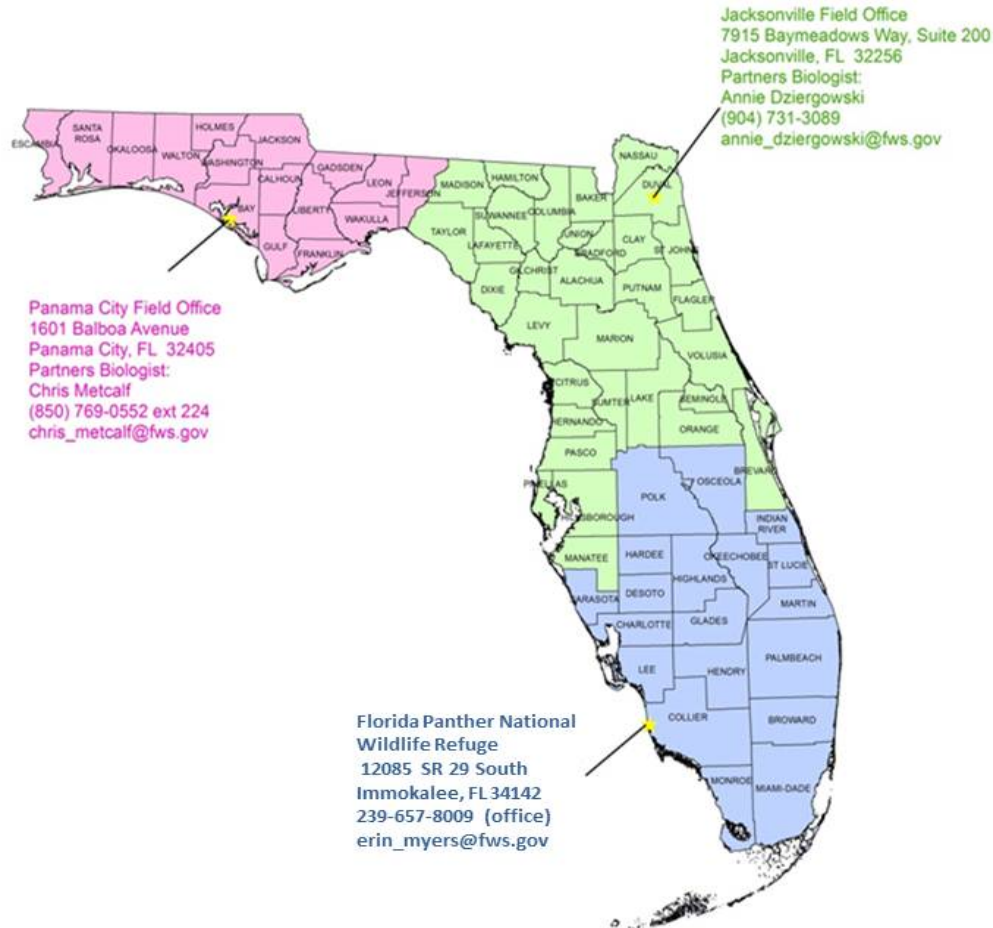


# Additional Restoration Practices

- Wetland Restoration
  - Riparian floodplain
  - Moist soil units
  - Ditch plugging
  - Dike placement
  - Invasive species control
- Stream/Shoreline Restoration
  - New channel design
  - Fish passage
  - Streambank stabilization
  - Natural springs
  - Sea Turtle Beach Lighting



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# Any questions?

