



Alachua County Parks and Open Space

**2022 WSPP Renewal
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Wild Spaces Funding



- 1.The Commission provided \$6 million toward partnership projects with all nine cities “off the top”
- 2.The Commission dedicated \$2.3 million “off the top” toward the purchase of and improvements to Cuscowilla Nature & Retreat Center
- 3.The balance was split 90% conservation lands and 10% active parks (or \$9,515,175)

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Completed WSPP Projects

• Kanapaha Botanical Gardens Sidewalks	\$ 13,232
• Montechoa Park Basketball Improvements	\$ 18,513
• Jonesville Park water fountains/bottle fillers	\$ 22,285
• Grove Park Basketball Improvements	\$ 12,184
• Copeland Park Basketball Improvements	\$ 18,942
• Mark Hopkins Park (SWAG)	\$171,769
• Jonesville Park Tennis Center	\$512,585
• Poe Springs Improvements	\$619,642
• Squirrel Ridge Park Improvements	\$494,060
• Grove Park Improvements	\$108,192
• Other-Rail Trail, Camp McConnel operating	\$214,782

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In Progress WSPP Projects

• Chestnut Park	\$ 216,500
• Cuscowilla Operating	\$ 664,210
• Cuscowilla Restoration	\$3,900,000
• Lake Alto Park	\$ 175,000
• Parks Master Plan	\$ 190,000
• Santa Fe Lake Park	\$ 326,864
• Veterans Memorial Park	\$1,100,000

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Funded WSPP Projects (\$682,538)

• Lake Forest Pocket Park	\$350,000
• Copeland Park	\$ 15,000
• Montechoa Park	\$277,538
• Lochloosa Park	\$ 15,000
• Marjorie K. Rawlings Park	\$ 25,000

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Improvements



Squirrel Ridge Park

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Improvements Continued



Chestnut Park



Grove Park

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Lake Alto



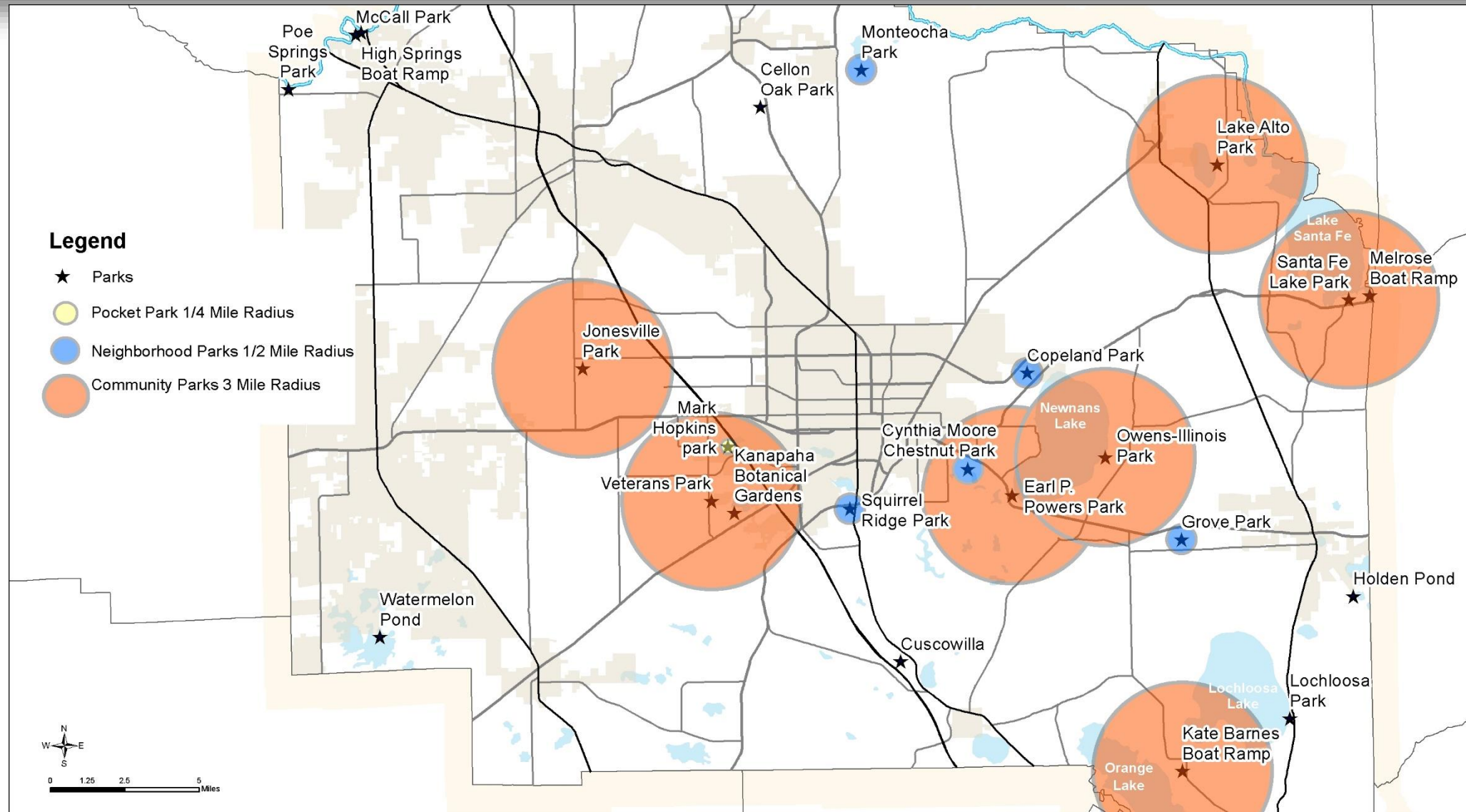
Copeland Park

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Cuscowilla Camps



Current Parks Coverage





WSPP Renewal Priorities:

- 1. Renovating existing parks per adopted masterplan priorities**
- 2. Acquire/improve new parks in unincorporated Alachua County per adopted masterplan priorities including pocket parks in underserved communities**
- 3. Partner with other government agencies (where appropriate) to provide active park amenities**

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Request Board Direction on the Following

- 1. Should the County provide a partnership program with all cities using our Wild Spaces Public Places allocation, and if so, at what amount?**
- 2. Should the Wild Spaces Public Places Citizens Oversight Board Resolution be amended to oversee housing and infrastructure expenditures?**
- 3. Does the Board have any changes/corrections/additions to the proposed ballot language (title not to exceed 15 words and body not to exceed 75 words)?**