



OrchidSwamp.org

FRIENDS MISSION REPORT

MISSION:	STATUS:
Visitor's Center Renovation	<p>Mission accomplished!</p> <p>The visitor center was stripped down to the wall studs for a complete exterior & interior renovation, meeting current building codes. Re-opening the Visitor Center is expected in November.</p> 
Pole Barn	<p>Mission accomplished!</p> <p>A 72 X 84 foot pole barn protects park vehicles & equipment necessary to manage the natural resources of the Fakahatchee.</p> 
Wayfinding Kiosk	<p>Mission accomplished!</p> <p>The installation of five wayfinding kiosks provides visitors with information to better explore the Fakahatchee.</p> 
Tours & Education	<p>Raising funds by education:</p> <p>Since 2013, tours continue to serve both the Friends mission to educate the public about the importance of the Fakahatchee's ecosystem and raise funds to support needs identified by the park manager.</p> 
Orchid Preservation	<p>Supporting conservation programs:</p> <p>Park biologists and volunteers survey the orchid population, record data, putting special focus on the status of the Cigar Orchid re-introduced in the Fakahatchee!</p> 