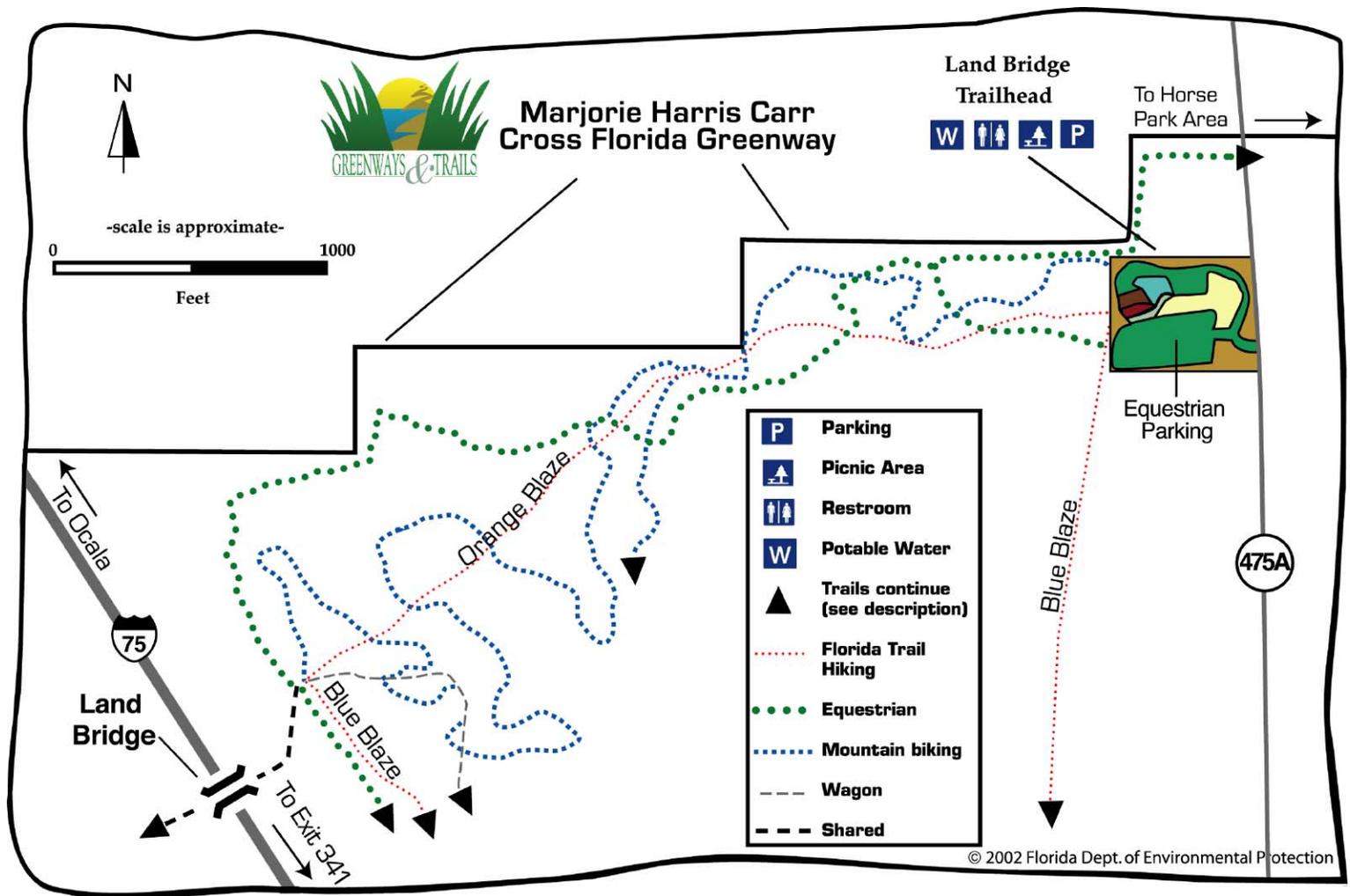


Cross Florida Greenway—Land Bridge Trails



Stretching from the Gulf of Mexico to the St. Johns River, the Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway occupies much of the land formerly known as the Cross Florida Barge Canal. This 110-mile corridor encompasses a variety of natural habitats and offers an array of trails and recreation areas where visitors can experience Florida's premier greenway.

The Land Bridge Trailhead was completed in 2001, providing a brand new access point to reach the Cross Florida Greenway Land Bridge. The Land Bridge was completed in 2000, providing a permanent trail connection across Interstate 75 and making safe passage for hikers, equestrians and bicyclists a reality. This project was developed and constructed in coordination with the Florida Department of Transportation and was funded through Federal Department of Transportation gas tax revenues that are earmarked for non-motorized transportation enhancements. The bridge is fully landscaped with native Florida vegetation. The quickest access to the Land Bridge is via the hiking, equestrian and biking trails indicated on the map. For a driver's viewpoint of the Land Bridge, drive on I-75, south of Exit 350 (SR 200, Ocala) and north of Exit 341 (CR 484, Belleview). Drivers are advised to not stop along the Interstate except for an emergency.



-continue-

Cross Florida Greenway–Land Bridge Trails

Major Activities: Hiking, Equestrian, Mountain Biking

Trail Length/Surface:

Primary trails from trailhead to Land Bridge

- unpaved hiking, Florida National Scenic Trail, approximately 1 mile
- unpaved equestrian, approximately 1.5 miles
- unpaved mountain biking, approximately 2.5 miles (mileage can be shorter depending upon route taken)

Fee: None

Counties: Marion

Nearby Cities: Ocala, Belleview

Notes:

The Land Bridge Trailhead provides paved parking, restroom facilities, picnic area, and potable water. A dedicated equestrian parking area and horse wash-down area are also available.

Please note that trails indicated on the map are the primary hiking, equestrian, and biking connector trails to reach the Land Bridge from the trailhead. The arrow symbol indicates where connecting and loop trails continue elsewhere. The Office of Greenways and Trails (OGT) is presently in the process of reviewing trails in this area and is working with user groups to determine the best possible future trail alignments.

West of the Land Bridge, hiking, equestrian and biking trails continue to the 49th Avenue Trailhead. See the corresponding map for exact trail locations.

The hiking trail delineated on the map is part of the Florida Trail, and the orange blazed portion is officially designated as Florida National Scenic Trail (FNST). Blue blazes mark the hiking loop trail that heads south just east of the land bridge and eventually returns north to the trailhead. There is a resting bench midway along this 1.75 mile loop. The hiking trail on this map is just one segment of the Florida Trail. The Florida Trail Association produces a detailed hiking guide and segment-by-segment maps that are very useful for hiking any segment of the Florida Trail. For more information, visit their website at www.florida-trail.org.

The biking trail is single track in most areas, but in some locations, utilizes the double-track wagon trail.

The equestrian trail continues east across CR 475A to the Horse Park area which offers additional equestrian trails.



Cross Florida Greenway–Land Bridge Trails

Access/Directions:

Land Bridge Trailhead (CR 475A)

From I-75 south of Ocala, take Exit 341 (old Exit 67) to CR 484. Head east on CR 484 toward Belleview. In about a quarter mile, you will come to the intersection with CR 475A. Take a left and proceed on 475A for approximately 2 miles until you reach the trailhead on the left.

Related Websites:

Office of Greenways & Trails (<http://www.floridagreenwaysandtrails.org>)



Contact Information:

Office of Greenways and Trails
Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway – Headquarters (Ocala)
352-236-7143
(<http://www.floridagreenwaysandtrails.org/cfg>)



www.floridagreenwaysandtrails.org