

STATE OF FLORIDA

FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EO: 16-41

**Rescinds Emergency Closure of Wildlife Management Areas, Fish Management Areas, Public Use Areas and Wildlife and Environmental Areas in the Southwest Region in, Highlands, Pasco, and Polk Counties**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, hereby rescinds Executive Order:16-38, which created emergency closures on; Platt Branch, Lake Wales Ridge, and Crooked Lake Wildlife and Environmental Areas; Hilochee, KICCO, Hickory Hammock, and Lake Marion Creek Wildlife Management Areas; Tenoroc Fish Management Area; the Green Swamp Wildlife Management Area, Polk County Portion; the Green Swamp West Wildlife Management Area, Pasco County; the Kissimmee River Public Use Area; and the Mosaic Fish Management Area. Closure orders for these areas are hereby rescinded and all of these areas are re-opened for public access per current schedules effective 8:00 PM Friday October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution Rule; EO16-230 of the Executive Office of the Governor; 68-1.009 F.A.C.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE  
FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA  
THIS 7 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016.

*Thomas D. Graef*

Southwest Regional Director

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for Nick Wiley,  
Executive Director