

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Order No. EO 17-24

**Special Regulations for the Everglades
and Francis S. Taylor, Holey Land, and
Rotenberger Wildlife Management Areas**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution and Rule 68A-14.001(2), F.A.C., hereby establishes, by order, special regulations for the Everglades and Francis S. Taylor Wildlife Management Area. These special regulations are necessary due to inordinately high water levels associated with recent storm events that have jeopardized wildlife. The special regulations are as follows:

- (1) The taking of game as defined in section 68A-1.004, F.A.C. is prohibited except ducks and coot may be taken in accordance with 68A-13.003, and frogging is allowed in accordance with 68A-15.004.
- (2) Vehicles, airboats, ATVs and other public access are prohibited, except Conservation Area 2A from the L-35B levee north to the east-west airboat trail and except Conservation Area 3A South east of the Miami Canal between I-75 and the L-67A levee.
- (3) This order shall not apply to persons permitted to participate in the statewide alligator hunts, migratory bird hunts, frogging, fishing, or persons operating boats within the established canal systems; however, airboats and tracked vehicles are not permitted for these activities. Access for these activities is limited to vessels only and participants must maintain a minimum distance of 100 yards from any tree island to minimize disturbance to terrestrial wildlife jeopardized by high water conditions.
- (4) Any provisions of Rule 68A-15.064 or 68A- 15.004, F.A.C., which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby superseded.

This order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on June 14, 2017 and shall remain in effect until rescinded by subsequent order.

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution Rules 68-1.009 F.A.C. and 68A-14.001 , F.A.C.

Law Implemented: IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution, §375.313 F.S.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE
FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
THIS 13th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

Thomas Reinert, Regional Director
for Nick Wiley, Executive Director

ATTEST:

Agency Clerk