
Forest Stewardship *Food Plot Field Day*



Friday, March 2, 2012; 9:30 am – 3:00 pm (ET) (tentative)
Blitch Plantation, property of John and Shirley Rudnianyn
13200 NW 110th Ave, Reddick, FL 32686 (directions on back)

Food plots have become a popular way to attract white-tailed deer and other wildlife. Although food plots are not a substitute for properly managed, natural habitat, when used in combination with other habitat management techniques they have proven beneficial. In well managed habitats, food plots and supplemental plantings can compensate for seasonal fluctuations in food availability and the poor nutritional quality of some natural forages. This may help raise the carrying capacity of an area for deer or other wildlife.



Field photos by E.V. Willcox, deer by K.M. Gale, www.forestryimages.org

Agenda:	9:30 am	Sign-in, meet & greet
	10:00	Welcome, introduction, Mark Shuffitt, Extension Agent, UF-IFAS Marion County Extension, John Rudnianyn, Landowner and Chris Demers, Forest Stewardship Coordinator, UF-IFAS School of Forest Resources & Conservation
	10:15	Site preparation, variety selection and planting techniques, Dr. Ann Blount, Dr. Cheryl Mackowiak, and Dr. Stephen Olson, Professors, UF-IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center
	12:00 pm	Lunch
	12:45	Field session, all presenters
	2:45	Conclusion, evaluation and adjourn

Register: Cost is \$10 per person, lunch and materials included. Please register on-line at <http://fsp-workshop030212.eventbrite.com/>. Those without Internet access can reserve a space by calling the Marion County Extension Office at (352) 671-8400. **Space is limited so please register early.** Directions to the property are on the back. Please share this announcement with others who may be interested. Questions about this or other Forest Stewardship Program activities can be directed to Chris Demers, at (352) 846-2375, or by email at cdemers@ufl.edu.



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Blitch Plantation House

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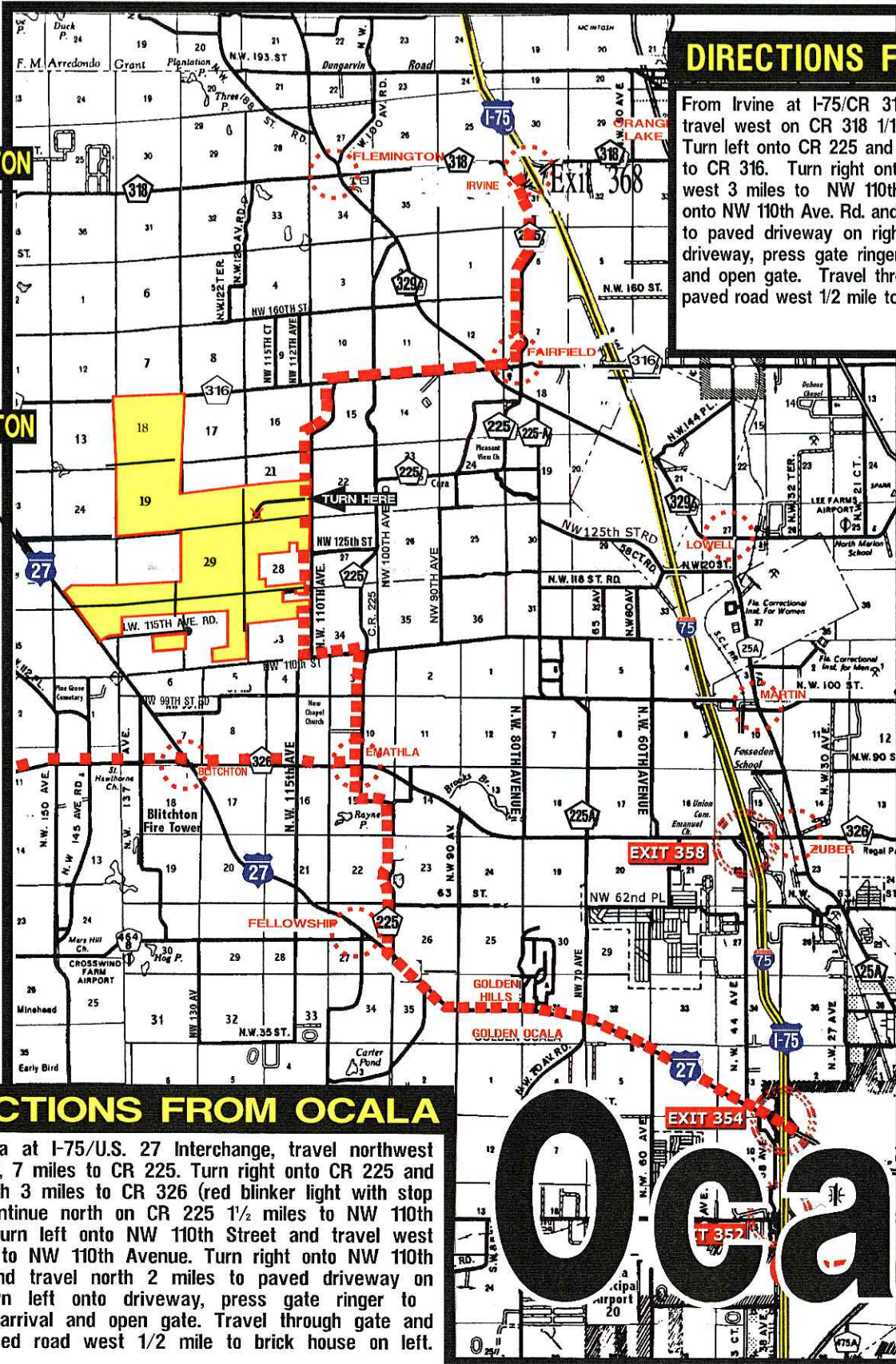
CR = COUNTY ROAD

DIRECTIONS FROM IRVINE

From Irvine at I-75/CR 318 Interchange exit, travel west on CR 318 1/10 mile to CR 225. Turn left onto CR 225 and travel south 3 miles to CR 316. Turn right onto CR 316 and travel west 3 miles to NW 110th Ave. Rd. Turn left onto NW 110th Ave. Rd. and travel south 2 miles to paved driveway on right. Turn right onto driveway, press gate ringer to announce arrival and open gate. Travel through gate and follow paved road west 1/2 mile to brick house on left.

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DIRECTIONS FROM OCALA

From Ocala at I-75/U.S. 27 Interchange, travel northwest on U.S. 27, 7 miles to CR 225. Turn right onto CR 225 and travel north 3 miles to CR 326 (red blinker light with stop sign). Continue north on CR 225 1 1/2 miles to NW 110th Street. Turn left onto NW 110th Street and travel west 7/10 mile to NW 110th Avenue. Turn right onto NW 110th Avenue and travel north 2 miles to paved driveway on left. Turn left onto driveway, press gate ringer to announce arrival and open gate. Travel through gate and follow paved road west 1/2 mile to brick house on left.

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