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# Property Tour

## *Stewardship and Tree Farm Property*

### Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch

#### *Suwannee County, FL*

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**Date:** *Thursday, November 19, 2009; meet and greet at 9:00 AM ET.  
Program begins promptly at 9:30.*

**Tour:** The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch is over 3,000 acres, a fifth of which is in the Suwannee River hardwood hammock community. A little over 1,500 acres are in various ages of planted pine, hedgerows, ponds, swamps and openings. The remaining acres are dedicated to agricultural, residential and administrative activities. Beef cattle and timber production are integrated on the property using wide spacing between double rows of planted pines to provide for optimized cattle grazing and timber growth on these soil types. This silvopasture system also accommodates various wildlife species. Wildlife habitat enhancement is considered an important stewardship obligation and provides educational opportunities for the resident youth and improves to the overall aesthetic qualities of the ranch property. Join us for a tour of this property. Be prepared for some walking.

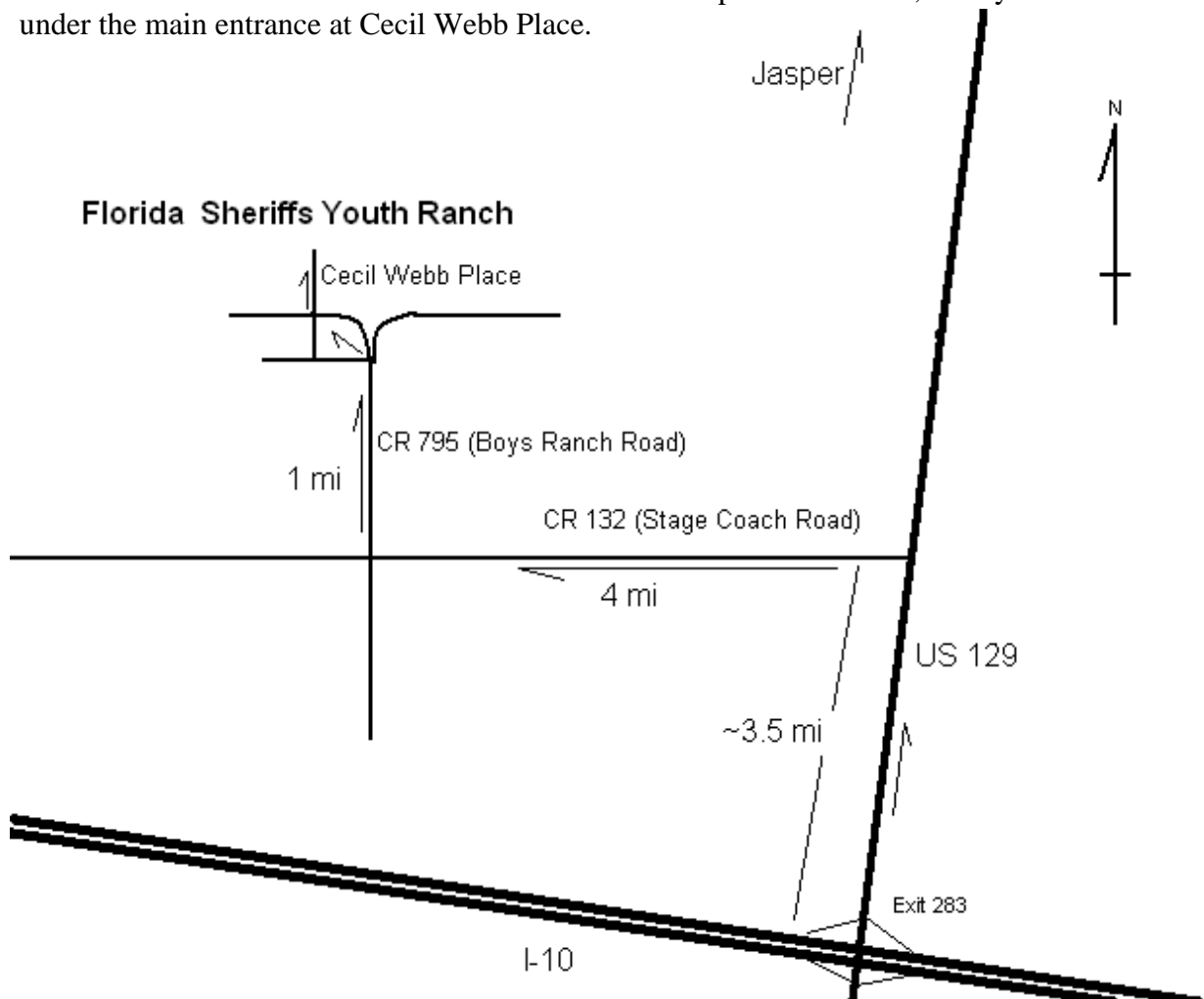
**Register:** A sponsored lunch will be served on-site after the tour, sponsors TBA. This program is free but you must preregister. **Call the Suwannee County Extension Office at (386) 362-2771 to register. Attendance will be limited so please register soon!** Directions are on the back of this announcement. Please share with others who may be interested. Contact Chris Demers, (352) 846-2375, [cdemers@ufl.edu](mailto:cdemers@ufl.edu), with questions about this or other Forest Stewardship Program events.



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## Directions to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch

- From I-10, get off at **Exit 283**, Live Oak, US Highway 129 Exit.
- Travel **north, approximately 3.5 miles** on US 129 N.
- Turn **left (west) on CR 132**; AKA as Stage Coach Road.
- Drive west **4 miles**, and turn **right (north) onto Boy's Ranch Road; AKA CR 795**.
- Drive north 1 mile, the road will come to a "Y", **continue to the left on 795**.
- Continue through the curve approximately ½ mile - to 4-way stop sign.
- Turn **right at the stop sign onto Cecil Webb Place**, (under the entrance gate to the Boys Ranch.)
- We will **meet at the Rodeo Arena Pavilion** - the first place to the **left**, after you drive under the main entrance at Cecil Webb Place.



If you get lost or need help, call the Youth Ranch office for help at **(386) 842-5555**.