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cc: Hardin, Dennis; Cahal, Bobby; Gilpin, Tom; Stegen, Amanda; Doub, Peyton; Scherpelz, Robert I; Pedersen, Charlie;
Subject: RE: Red Cockaded Woodpeckers and the Proposed Levy Nuclear Power Plant
Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 6:07:21 AM

Hello Bill:

We do not have RCW's within the corridor or nearby. We do suspect there is an undetected wood stork rookery on the property which we are trying to locate. However, as Charlie mentioned, Florida scrub-jays will be an issue along the powerline corridor. We have jays saturating the east side of Halpata Tastanaki. On the attached map, jays currently occur in the green box, but I suspect they will be in the red box soon, since habitat is becoming more suitable. Please continue to coordinate with us on these issues as they pertain to Halpata.

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Subject: Red Cockaded Woodpeckers and the Proposed Levy Nuclear Power Plant

Hi Michael and Mary,

Please see my correspondence below with Charlie Pedersen about red cockaded woodpeckers. Charlie suggested you may be able to provide us the information needed to support the EIS and BA for the proposed Levy Nuclear Project. Any help you can provide is greatly appreciated.

Thanks - Bill

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The field contact for withlacoochee state forest, including the adjacent to the Withlacoochee river which is the Two Mile Prairie unit of withlachoochee state forest, is Mike Penn (Michael.Penn@freshfromflorida.com). The contact for Halpata-Tastanaki is - Mary Barnwell (Mary.Barnwell@swfwmd.state.fl.us).

Mike Penn and his staff have the RCW data for the Citrus Tract of Withlacoochee. I personally don't know of RCW's on the other areas. Federally listed species that might occur on Two Mile prairie, halapata-tastanaki and Ross Prairie are scrub jays and *Dicerandra cornutissima*.

The only data sets I personally have are on Ross Prairie SF. I can provide the scrub jay territories and restoration sites, and a partial dataset for gopher tortoises if that is of interest to you.

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Subject: Red Cockaded Woodpeckers and the Proposed Levy Nuclear Power Plant

Hi Charlie,

Last spring you provided me with information on red cockaded woodpeckers near the proposed Levy Nuclear Plant site, to support a DEIS the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the US Army Corps of Engineers released in August 2010. Thank you again for your help.

We are now seeking information on RCWs where proposed transmission lines that would support the proposed plant would cross State Forest and other state lands. I'm hoping that you can again assist with this, or can direct me towards someone who can. Several sections of the proposed Levy-Central Florida South T-Line would cross the Withlacoochee and Ross Prairie State Forests, and the Halpata Tastanaki Preserve (Citrus and Marion Counties); and several sections of the Citrus –Brookridge T-Line would cross on or near the Withlacoochee State Forest in southern Citrus County (see attached map). These lines would be co-located with existing transmission line rights-of-way, but some clearing could be required to site the new lines. Do you have any records of RCW clusters, or potentially suitable habitat, in or around the areas in question?

Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks again,

Bill

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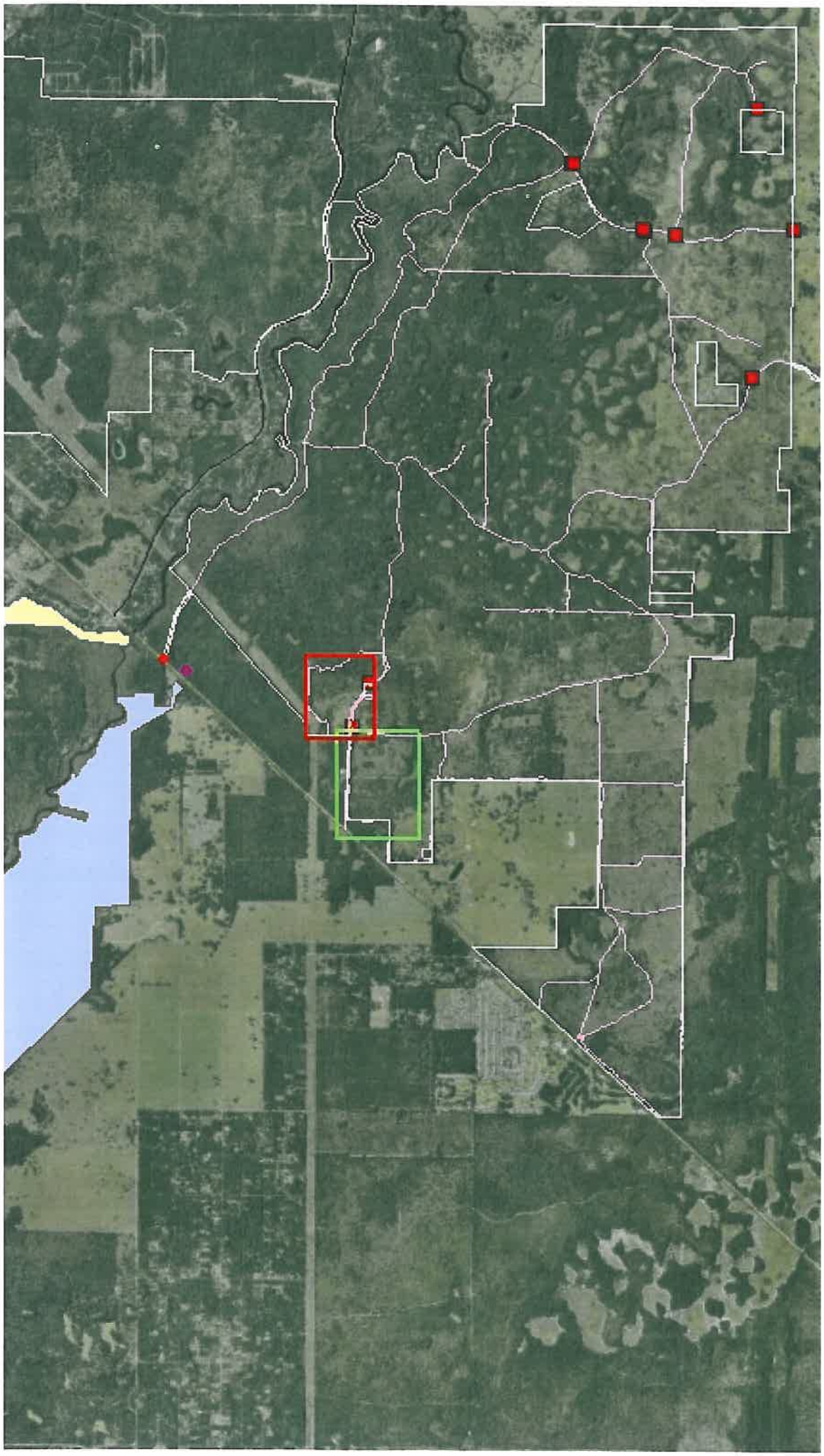
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