

Big Cypress National Preserve – Bear Island Bike Trip

Date: **Sunday**, January 17, 2010

Focus: **Specialty/Bicycling** – This field trip will focus on the activity, incorporating education on the wildlife, habitat and ecology of the area visited and is NOT primarily a birding field trip.

Field Trip Description: Bike through a variety of Florida habitats while searching for signs of wildlife such as panther and bear. Catch a glimpse of a gator or an otter and watch for wading and songbirds. This 12 mile round trip on hard rock roads is an easy and quiet way to view many wildlife species in the preserve.

Maximum Group Size: 15

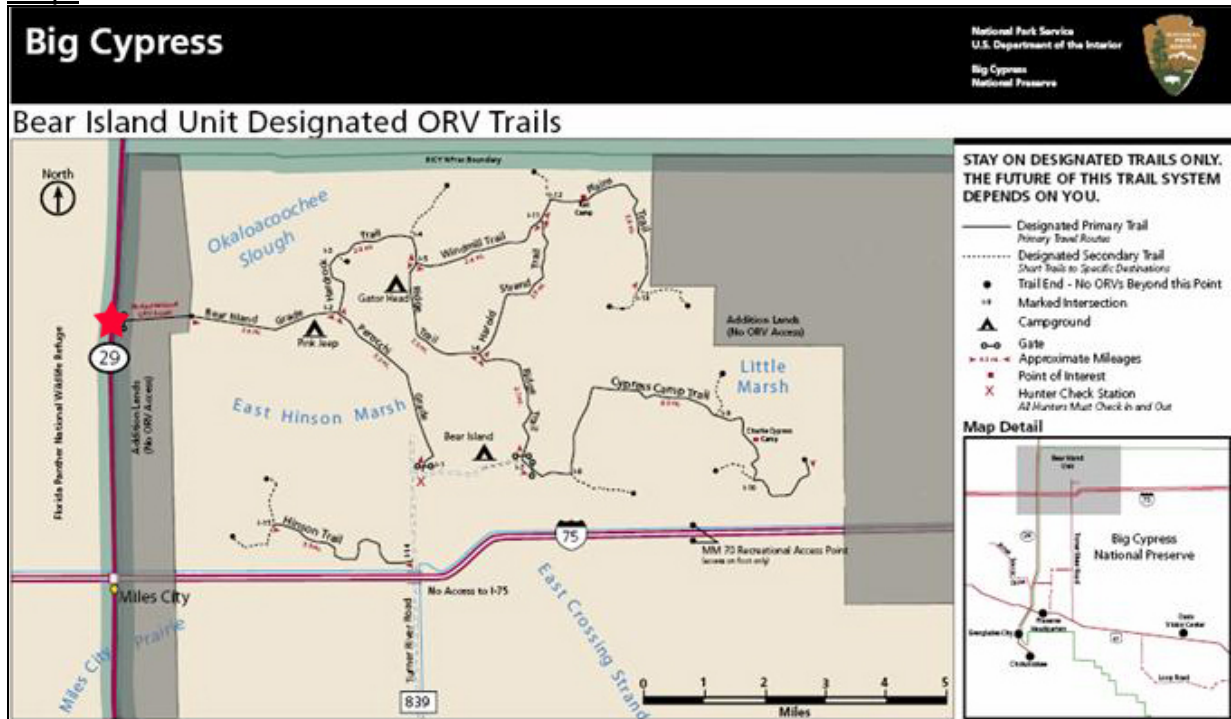
Time Begin: 8:30 am

Time End: 12:30 pm

Where to Meet: Meet by **8:15 am** at the **Bear Island Entrance in Big Cypress National Preserve**

Directions to Meeting Place: From Interstate 75 (Alligator Alley), take exit 80 north onto CR 29. Travel 4 miles to a gate on the right. Watch for Bear Island Bike Trip sign and Rangers. Pull in through gate to park.

Map:



Trip Leader: Big Cypress National Preserve Park Ranger

Field Trip Cost: \$10 with Festival registration

Additional Information: Fat tire bikes only – hybrids or mountain bikes

What to Bring: Snacks, water, camera, binoculars, field guides

What to Wear: Cool, comfortable clothing for biking, closed toed shoes, hat, sunglasses

Web: www.nps.gov/bicy

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