

RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS

CITY OF PARKER OVERVIEW AND REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY

Recovery and Resiliency Partnership Projects (R2P2)

R2P2 is technical assistance provided by the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Integrated Recovery Coordination field operations.

R2P2 supports the City’s vision for long-term economic recovery by developing design concepts and strategies that improve resiliency to future stormwater impacts and integrates strategies for sustainable redevelopment.

Additional R2P2 technical assistance include Mexico Beach, Springfield, Marianna, Chattahoochee and Quincy. R2P2 is also working at a broader scale to identify recreation-oriented economic development opportunities across the region.



Project Overview

The City of Parker identified four areas within the city that have potential to support revitalization and long-term economic and ecological resilience to bolster the community's ability to withstand and recover from potential storm events like Hurricane Michael.

The technical assistance team worked with the city to develop designs for each of the project sites, as well as a citywide connectivity plan that proposes safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure like sidewalks and bike lanes to link city assets and destinations.

Parker Design Projects include:

- East End Gateway Development
- Business 98 Downtown Corridor
- West Park Street Waterfront
- West End Gateway
- Citywide Connectivity

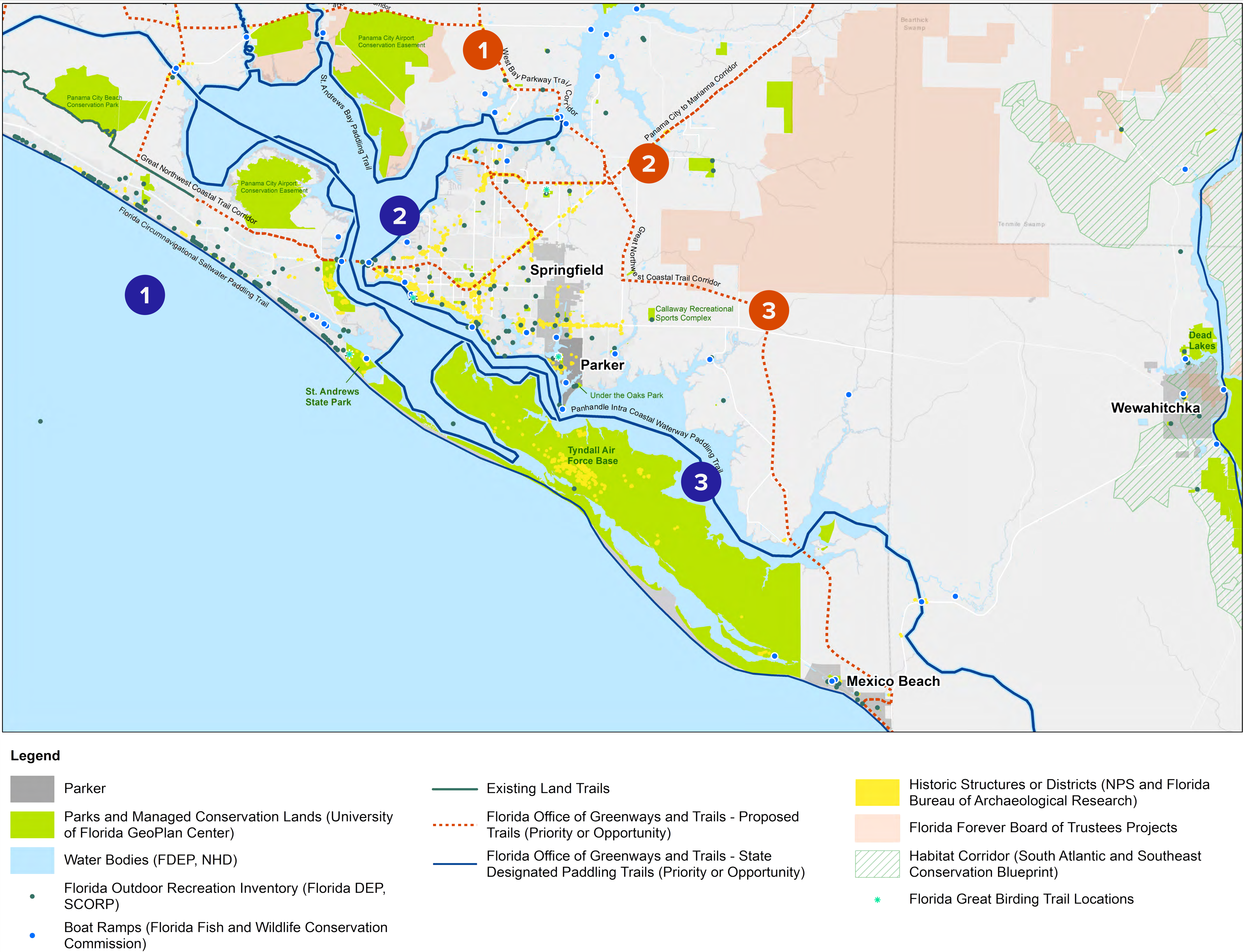
Regional Connectivity

In addition to working on projects and citywide connectivity within Parker and five other cities in the Florida Panhandle area, the design team is work to identify regional assets and connections between the cities. This work will help identify recreation opportunities that can support economic and ecological resilience.

Regional Assets and Trails

A network of regional trails link Parker to many natural and recreational assets. Regional paddling trails, such as the St. Andrews Bay Paddling Trail and Panhandle Intra Coastal Water Paddling Trail, pass through Parker at the proposed waterfront access point at West Park Street.

The Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail also connects Parker to a statewide recreation opportunity that could support greater tourism.



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Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail is an existing sea kayaking trail that traces the coast around the state.

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St. Andrews Bay Paddling Trail, a proposed trail that traces the outline of the bay and passes through Parker.

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Panhandle Intra Coastal Water Paddling Trail is a proposed trail that branches off from the Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail to travel across St. Andrew Bay, passing through Parker until it meets the Apalachicola River.

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West Bay Parkway Trail Corridor, a proposed regional opportunity trail that begins near Point Washington State Forest and follows West Highway 388 (Don Johnson Memorial Highway).

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Panama City to Marianna Corridor, a proposed regional priority trail along State Route 231 that would connect coastal and inland communities.

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Great Northwest Coastal Trail Corridor is a planned regional priority trail that traces US 98 from Pensacola and upon completion, will travel north of Parker, through Springfield and connect to Mexico Beach. Segments of the planned Gulf Coast Parkway will run parallel to the Great Northwest Coast Connector.

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