

## LAKE WALES RIDGE HABITAT SURVEY AND VEGETATIVE MAPPING

### Highlands County, Florida



#### **DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

The Lake Wales Ridge Wildlife and Environmental Area (WEA) is approximately 1,596 acres of undeveloped land in Highlands County. FNAI conducted the field survey and Scheda was contracted by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to develop Geographic Information System (GIS) based resource maps for the WEA including vegetation types, listed plant species locations, exotic species locations, major disturbances locations, roads, and site boundary.

All map coverages were provided in hard copy and digital format with associated meta-data information on CD, together with a technical report detailing the methods used for vegetation mapping, status, and condition of the vegetation types, listed species, exotic species, disturbed areas, roads, and each project site. Additionally, photos of each listed and exotic species found at the site was compiled in digital album. Each photo was labeled with the common and scientific name, date, GPS location and compass bearing from which the plant was photographed.

