

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS  
HEADING NORTH  
VIA INTERSTATE 75**

**CITRUS TRACT**

Take I-75 North to Exit 309; bear right onto the exit ramp and merge onto C-476B. Continue north on C-476B to the stop sign. Turn left onto C-476 and continue west to the intersection of C-476 (Lake Lindsey Road) and US Hwy 41 N (Broad Street). Continue west across US Hwy 41 N to the next stop sign. Turn right (north) on C-481 (Snow Memorial Hwy) and continue into Citrus County (C-581/Pleasant Grove Road). Continue north to C-480 (Stage Coach Trail).

**Tillis Hill Campground & Recreation Area:**

Turn left (west) on C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) and continue to FR-13, turn left (north). Continue to the fork in the road and take the right fork up the hill to Tillis Hill Recreation Area and Campground.

**Mutual Mine Campground:**

Continue north on C-581 (Pleasant Grove Road) past C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) approximately 4.5 miles to FR-16. Turn left (west) and the entrance to Mutual Mine will be to the left. Use of this area by permit only. Separate camping area for Youth Groups.

**Holder Mine Campground:**

Continue north on C-581 (Pleasant Grove Road) past C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) approximately 7 miles to FR-10. Turn left (west) and the entrance to the campground will be on your right approximately 3 miles.

**CROOM TRACT**

**Tucker Hill Trail Head:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301, bear right on the exit ramp and turn right (east) on SR-50/US Hwy 98 S. Continue to the second traffic light. Turn left (north) on Croom-Rital Road. Continue approximately 8.5 miles to the Tucker Hill Trail Head. Trail Head for Croom Hiking Trails, Croom Horse Trails and Croom Off-Road Bicycle Trails.

**Silver Lake Recreation Complex:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301; bear right on the exit ramp and turn right (east) on SR-50/US Hwy 98 S. Continue to the second traffic light. Turn left (north) on Croom-Rital Road. Continue approximately 3.5 miles to Silver Lake Road. Go straight to the Silver Lake Day Use Area. Bear right at the fork to continue to the campgrounds. You will arrive first at Silver Lake Campground, then Cypress Glen Campground and the third campground at the end of the road will be Crooked River Campground. Small Youth Group Area by permit only at Crooked River.

**Croom Motorcycle Area:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301; bear right onto the exit ramp and continue to the traffic light. Turn left (west) on SR-50/US Hwy 98 and get into the far right lane. Turn right (north) onto La Rose Road and continue to the Croom Motorcycle Area Gate House.

**Hog Island Campground & Recreation Area:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 309, bear right on exit ramp to stop sign at C-476B. Turn right (north) and continue on C-476B to the stop sign. Turn left (west) on C-476 to CR-635. Turn left (south) and continue straight to the entrance of the Hog Island Recreation Area. The campground is just past the day use area. Youth Group Area available by permit only.

**CROOM TRACT continued...**

**River Junction Campground & Recreation Area:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301, bear right onto the exit ramp. Turn right (east) on SR-50 E/US Hwy 98 S and continue to US Hwy 301. Turn left (north) on US Hwy 301 and to CR-656 (Croom-a-Coochee Road). Turn left (west) and continue approximately 3 miles to the directional sign to River Junction Campground & Recreation Area.

**Twin Pond Hunt Camp:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301, bear right onto the exit ramp. Turn left (west) on SR-50/US Hwy 98 and continue to CR-484 (Mondon Hill Road) and turn right (north) continue to Sout Road/FR-12 and turn right (east) and follow the directional sign for Twin Pond Hunt Camp and trailhead for the Croom Horse Trails.

**East Croom Hunt Camp:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 309, bear right onto the exit ramp to 476B. Continue west on 476B to FR-17 (SW 62nd Way). Turn left (east) on FR-13 and continue to East Croom Hunt Camp on the left.

**RICHLOAM TRACT**

**Pless Place Overnight Hunt Camp:**

Take I-75 North to Exit 301, bear right onto the exit ramp. Turn right (east) on SR-50/US Hwy 98 S and continue to CR-471. Turn right (south) onto CR-471. Turn right (west) on North Carter Pond Road and continue approximately 4 miles until you come to the Pless Place overnight Hunt Camp.

**DRIVING  
DIRECTIONS**

**Withlacoochee  
State Forest**



Florida Forest Service management plans include prescribed burning most months of the year. For personal safety reasons, area users should contact the FFS for information and location of burn areas, (352) 797-4100.

**All 9 improved campgrounds require reservations made online at [FloridaStateForests.ReserveAmerica.com](http://FloridaStateForests.ReserveAmerica.com) or by calling 877-879-3859. 800-373-3851 (TDD/For Hearing Impaired)**

**Withlacoochee Visitor Center**  
15003 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601  
Phone: (352) 797-4140 Fax: (352) 797-4108  
[www.FDACS.gov](http://www.FDACS.gov)

## DRIVING DIRECTIONS VIA SUNCOAST PARKWAY

### CITRUS TRACT

Take the Suncoast Parkway (TR-589) north to the Interchange at US Hwy 98. Bear right to US Hwy 98 (south) and continue approximately 3.5 miles to C-491 (Lecanto Hwy). Turn left (north) on C-491 and continue C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) and turn right (east).

#### **Tillis Hill Campground & Recreation Area:**

From C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) turn left (north) on FR-13 to the fork in the road. Take the right fork and continue up the hill to Tillis Hill Recreation Area and Campground.

#### **Mutual Mine Campground:**

Continue east on C-480 (Stage Coach Trail) to the stop sign at C-581 (Pleasant Grove Rd). Turn left (north) and continue approximately 4.5 miles to FR-16 and the directional sign announcing the Mutual Mine Recreation Area. Turn left (west) and the entrance will be on your left. Use of this area by permit only. Separate camping area for Youth Groups.

### CITRUS TRACT continued...

#### **Holder Mine Campground:**

Continue north on C-581 approximately 8.5 miles to FR-10/Trail 10. Turn left (west) and continue approximately 2 miles to the campground. Water/electric camping available on a first come/first serve basis.

### CROOM TRACT

Take the Suncoast Parkway (TR-589) north to Interchange 46-SR-50. Bear right (east) onto SR-50 and continue through Brooksville following the SR 50 Truck Route. Continue east approximately 11.5 miles.

#### **Croom Motorcycle Area & Buttgenbach Campground:**

Just prior to reaching I-75, turn left (north) on La Rose Road. This is also the entrance road for the Hampton Inn/Best Western Hotel. Continue on La Rose to the Croom Motorcycle Area (CMA) Gate House. Buttgenbach Campground is located within CMA and has sites with water and electric and 2 bathrooms. .



### CROOM TRACT continued...

#### **Silver Lake Recreation Complex:**

Continue east on SR-50 passing under I-75 to Croom-Rital Road located at the 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic light east of I-75. Turn left (north) on Croom-Rital Road and continue approximately 3.5 miles to the entrance to Silver Lake Recreation Complex on the right. Continue straight to the day use area or follow the road to the right to our three (3) campgrounds. You will arrive first at Silver Lake Campground, then Cypress Glen and at the end of the road is Crooked River Campground. Small Youth Group Area by permit only at Crooked River.

#### **Tucker Hill (Fire Tower) Trailhead:**

From SR-50 in Brooksville, take US-41 (Broad Street) north to C-480 (Croom Road). Turn right and continue east on C-480 to Tucker Hill (Fire Tower) Trailhead approximately 5 miles.

#### **Hog Island Campground & Recreation Area:**

From SR-50, head north on I-75 to Exit 309 (Webster). Bear right to the stop sign. Turn right (north) on C-476B and continue to the stop sign passing the National Cemetery and Sumter Correctional Institution. Turn left (west) on C-476 and continue to CR-635. Turn left (south) on CR-635 and continue straight to the entrance of Hog Island Recreation Area. Youth Group Area available by permit only. The main campground offers a bathroom, and water only with no electricity.

### CROOM TRACT continued...

#### **River Junction Campground & Recreation Area:**

From I-75, continue east on SR-50 to US Highway 301. Turn left (north) and continue to CR-656 (Croom-a-Coochee Road). Turn left (west) on CR-656 and continue to NW 50<sup>th</sup> Blvd. Turn left and continue south approximately 3 miles to the directional sign for River Junction Campground and Recreation Area.

## CAMPING RESERVATIONS

### CAMPGROUNDS

All 10 improved campgrounds require reservations made online at [FloridaStateForests.ReserveAmerica.com](http://FloridaStateForests.ReserveAmerica.com) or by calling 877-879-3859.

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### GROUP CAMPING

All groups of 6 or more camping in the Primitive Camp Zones, Col Robins Group Area or Youth Group Areas need to obtain a State Forest Use Permit by contacting the visitor Center at (352) 797-4140. A notice of two weeks & up to a total of 6 months is required for all permits.