

**Perdido WMA Mitigation – 2008 Monitoring
CORPS Permit No. SAJ-2001-1661 (IP-DEB)**

On October 23, 2008 Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWWMD) staff conducted an annual site visit and photo-monitoring for mitigation associated with CORPS Permit No. SAJ-2001-1661 (IP-DEB). As specified in Modification #1, Special Condition #1 of the permit, the 220 acres shown on the map below (which includes approximately 198 acres of wetlands) were acquired in 2006 with mitigation funding for perpetual preservation and management in a natural state. This polygon is part of a larger 5,456-acre land acquisition from the International Paper Company (IP) that created the Perdido Water Management Area. No nuisance or exotic species were noted within the mitigation polygon during this field visit. No dumping of trash within the mitigation area was observed, although trash dumping was noted on adjacent land holdings. Overall, the site appears ecologically healthy with abundant obligate, facultative-wet, and facultative vegetation, and will greatly benefit from future management activities including prescribed fire. Planted slash pine in the northern portion of the mitigation area was severely impacted in 2004 by Hurricane Ivan. Representative photos taken on 10/23/08 are shown below.

Perdido River WMA Phase I - US 90 Escambia Co. Weigh Station Mitigation Site





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Perdido River WMA (I): 10/23/08 (Tree Damage Caused by Hurricane Ivan – 2004)