

# **Land Management Restoration Accomplishments**

## **During Fiscal Year 2017-2018 (October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018)**

- The restoration project for Devils Hole Spring along Econfinia Creek was completed in December 2017. At a total cost of \$146,900, this project included shoreline restoration using geo-technical bags with adjacent vegetative plantings and a stairway to allow for public access to the creek.
- The District completed hand planting of 663 acres of longleaf pine reforestation. These restoration activities enhance groundwater recharge, improve groundcover and wetland functions, and offset wetland losses caused by FDOT projects. This project involved the planting of 478,438 longleaf pine tubelings within the Econfinia Creek WMA
- The District conducted prescribed burns on approximately 9,479 acres of District lands, as well as vegetation management (herbicide) and habitat enhancements on 1,962 acres.
- The District implemented the timber management database and growth and yield modeling to better strategize timber harvests for optimal revenue generation.
- 11 timber harvests totaling 4,687 acres were active, removing offsite sand pine and thinning loblolly, longleaf, and slash pine.
- More than 9,500 acres of District-owned land were surveyed for invasive exotic plants, and control measures were implemented for all identified problem areas.