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- Restore, enhance, and promote the native upland communities and the associated wetlands to maintain the natural vegetation mosaic, diversity, and viability found historically within the Greater Okefenokee Ecosystem while improving opportunities for red-cockaded woodpecker activity.
- Conserve natural resources through partnerships, protection, and land acquisition from willing sellers within the “zones of influence.”
- Establish a fuel reduction zone around the refuge to prevent the spread of wildlife outside the swamp’s boundary.
- Provide and enhance fully accessible opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation when compatible to promote public appreciation, understanding, and action on behalf of the Okefenokee Ecosystem while maintaining the wilderness resources of the Okefenokee Wilderness Area.
- Contribute to the goals of the Greater Okefenokee Association of Landowners, the Longleaf Alliance Initiative, the Georgia State Wildlife Action Plan (Georgia Department of Natural Resources 2015), and Okefenokee NWR’s CCP (USFWS 2006).