

Big Shoals State Park

Optimum Boundary

The park is situated within a patchwork of conservation lands, managed by both the Florida Forest Service and Suwannee River Water Management District. Previously identified optimum boundary parcels include several encompassing the critical Southeast 94th Street entrance road to the Big Shoals Day Use Area, parcels to the east of the Columbia County portion of the park, and parcels to the south and southwest of the park in Columbia and Hamilton counties. Acquisition of these parcels would bolster protection of the waters of the Suwannee River by acquiring additional lands within the watershed. Additional parcels to the northwest would provide an extensive corridor within the patchwork of conservation lands. Several of these parcels are agriculture or silviculture and would require significant restoration efforts.