

# David Letterman's Top Ten Recommended Management Strategies in the Urban Interface



If Letterman managed land  
in the urban interface, that is

# 1 Make sure the proposed activity has been considered in the management plan.

**MOSES CREEK CONSERVATION AREA  
UPLAND RESTORATION AREA**



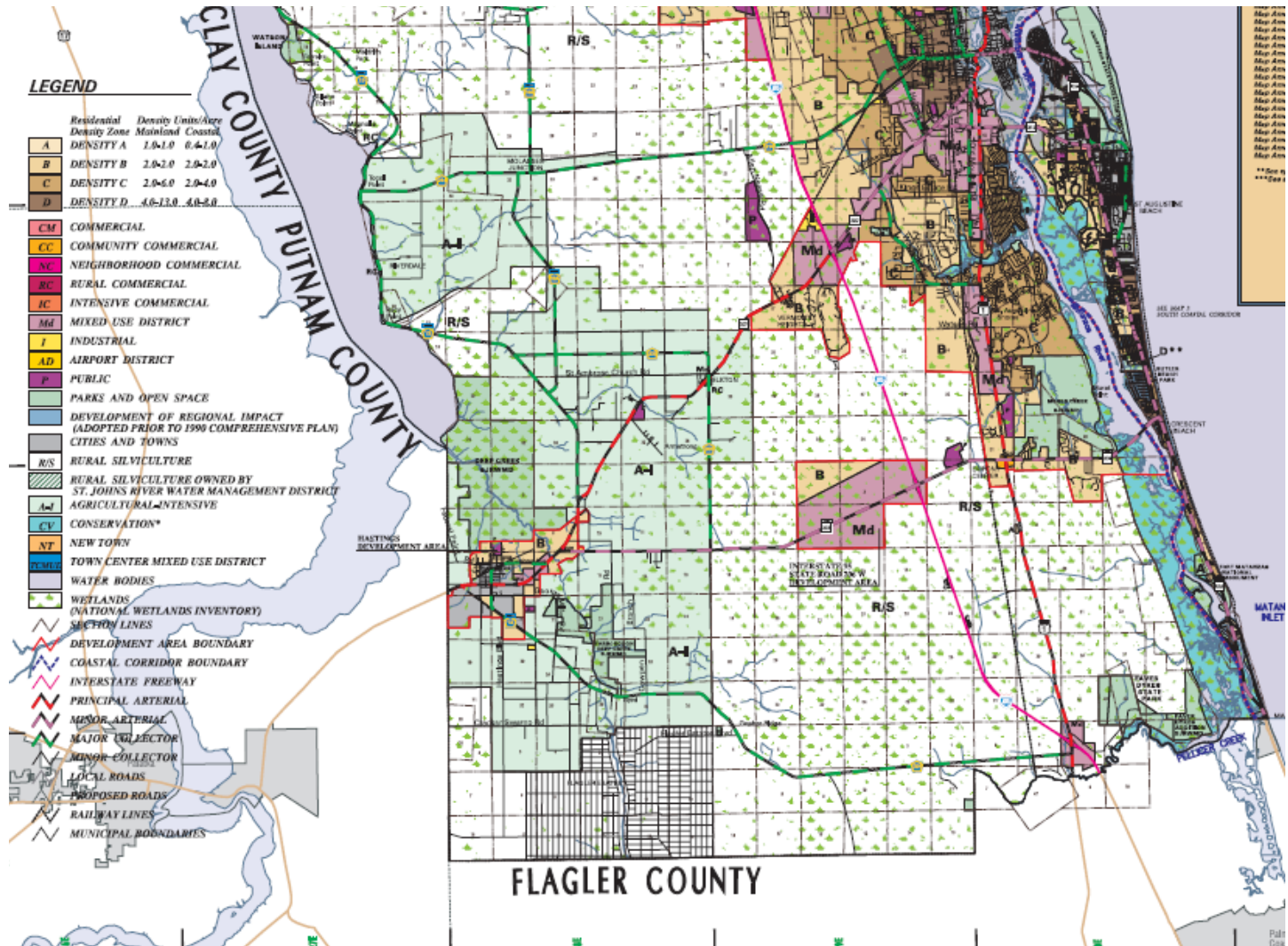
## Timber Management

Chapters 253 and 259, Florida Statutes, requires an assessment of the feasibility of managing timber for parcels greater than 1,000 acres if the land management agency determines that timber management is not in conflict with the primary management objectives of the land. Within the timeframe of this plan, staff will evaluate the economic feasibility of providing infrastructure to accommodate a timber operation. **If feasible, the main goal of timber management will be to reduce the sand pine canopy in the sandhill areas. The thinning will be in conjunction with the fire management program to reduce sand pine cover and to encourage longleaf pine regeneration. The District will continue to allow Division of Forestry staff to provide chainsaw training in the sandhill area.**

## Timber Management Strategies

- Determine feasibility of timber operation at Moses Creek.
- Develop sand pine thinning strategy for sandhill community.
- Continue to permit Division of Forestry

#2 Make sure the zoning and or future land use category allows the activity and make sure the county does not change the zoning or future land use to prohibit necessary activities.



#3 Make information describing the project available to the public visiting the property (brochures, kiosks, signs) etc.



### Bark Beetle Infestation Area

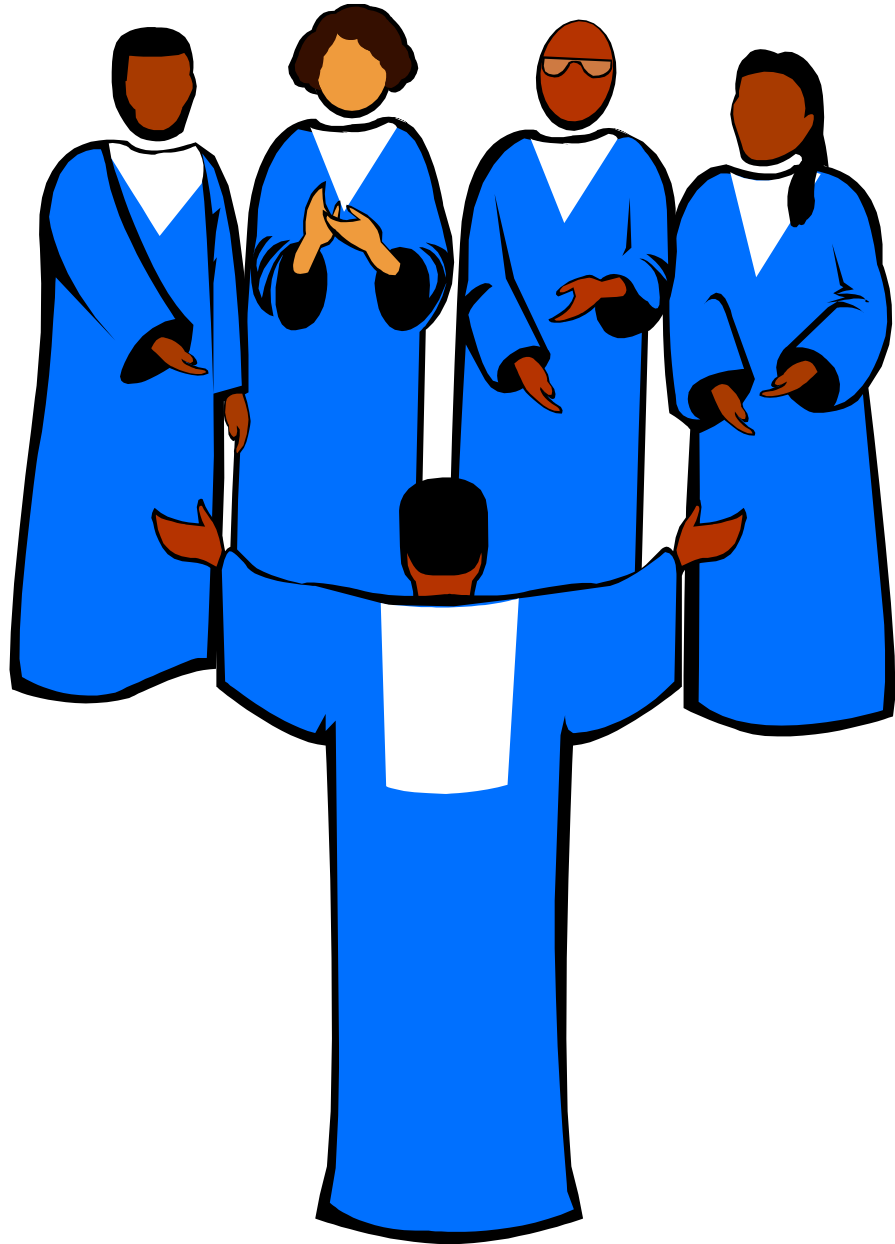
The pine trees around you have been killed by bark beetles. These small insects invade pine trees and live in the inner bark where their activities damage the tree's food-transporting pathways. When beetle invasions are sufficiently large or trees are stressed, the insects overwhelm the tree's defense often resulting in extensive tree mortality like that around you. The Division of Forestry has identified black turpentine (*Dendroctonus terebrans*) and Ips engraver (*Ips* spp.) beetles as the beetle species primarily responsible for pine tree mortality on Dupuis.

Several methods will be employed to stop the spread of beetles on Dupuis. Tree density will be thinned to increase stand health and improve the tree's natural ability to repel the beetle invaders. The trunks of some high-risk trees will be treated with insecticide to ward off the beetle attacks and improve tree survival. In those areas where irreversible damage has already occurred, trees will be cut to salvage their economic value and to remove resident beetles from the area.

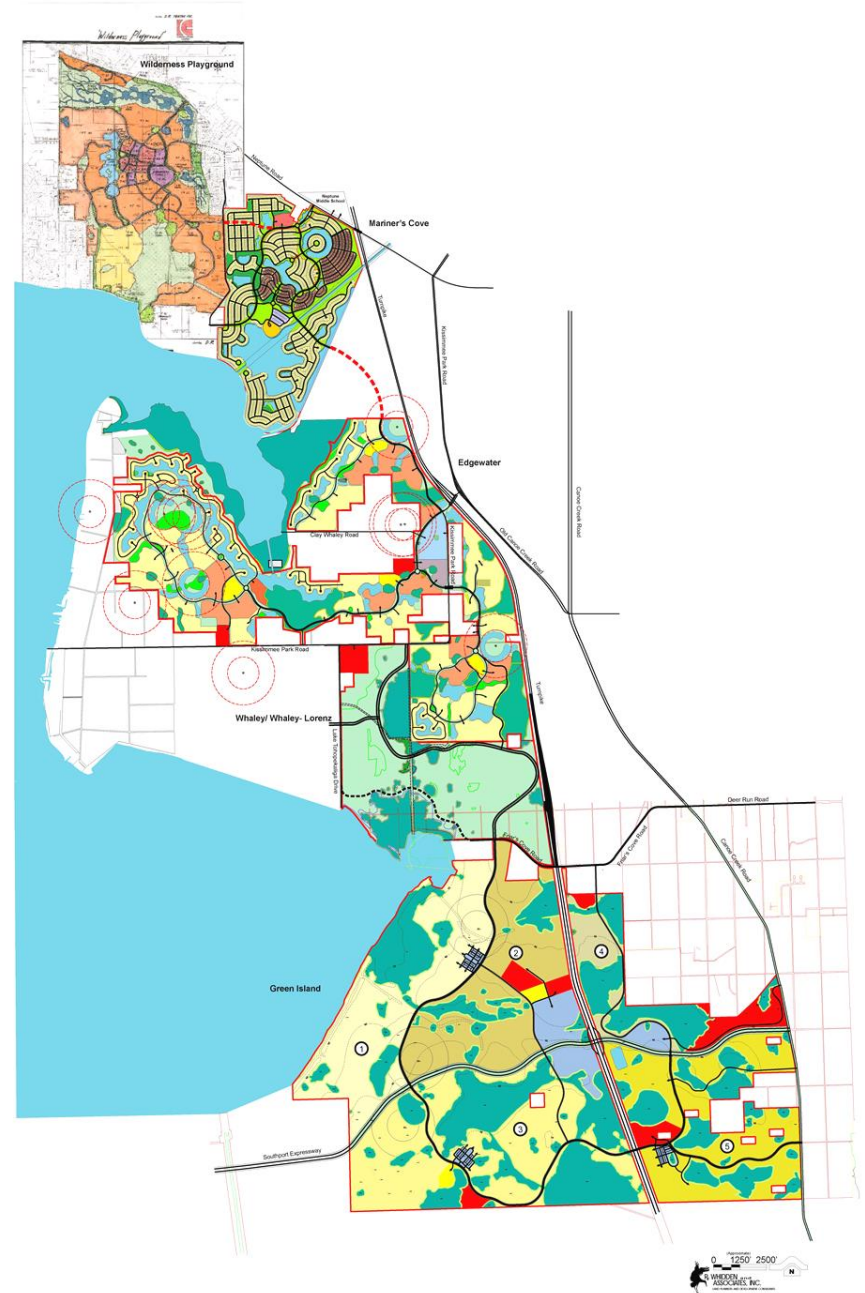
Though now rather unsightly, in time the dynamic forest will replenish itself. If you have any questions, please call the Dupuis land manager at (561) 924-5310.

#4 Make sure all the staff who may be contacted about the project are briefed ahead of time.

*That way it appears as if everyone is singing from the same sheet of music*



#5 Work with reviewers of DRIs and zoning changes to capitalize on opportunities to protect smoke corridors etc on neighboring development.





#6 Work with cooperating agencies and NGO's on a regional basis to promote the message (prescribed fire councils, etc)





# # 7 Work with homeowners associations to help them understand land management and even encourage their cooperation (Firewise)



The Florida Division of Forestry, in conjunction with the Florida Park Service, the National Park Service, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Nature Conservancy and the City of Jacksonville, is presenting *How to Have a Firewise Home*. This interactive workshop is designed to show homeowners how to make their homes and communities safer from wildfires.

#### Topics will include:

- Wildland/Urban Interface
- Why Homes Burn
- Wildfire Risk Assessment
- Firewise Construction
- Firewise Landscaping
- Firewise Communities/USA

Join us on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2005, from 6:30p.m.-8:30p.m. at Oceanway Middle School (143 Oceanway Ave.) for this free, informative and educational workshop. Local land managers will be on hand to provide information and answer questions. Refreshments will be provided. Please call (904) 266-5008 for more information, and to reserve your seat.



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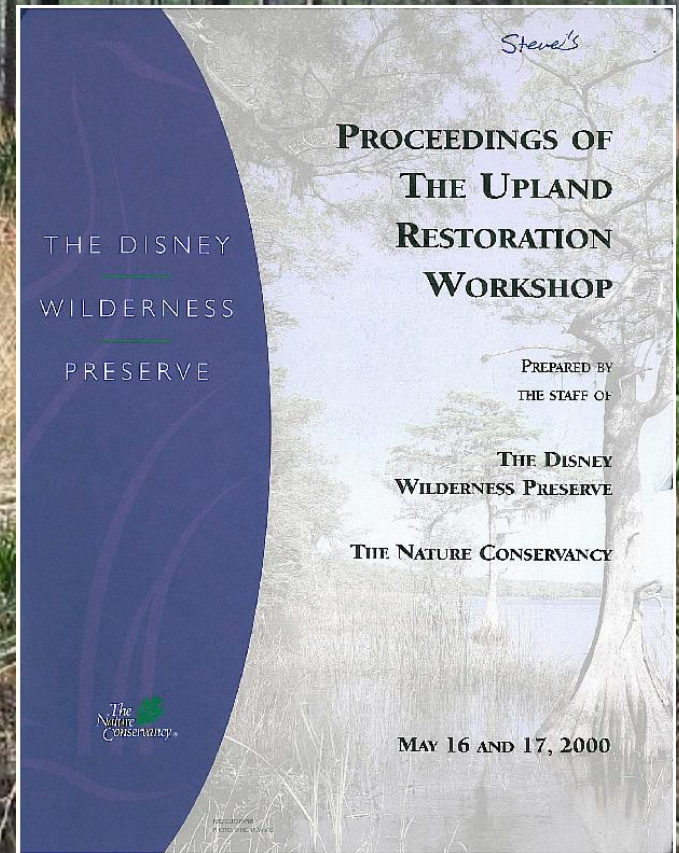




#8 Hold media and public field trips to let them see what you are doing.



#9 Document success.



**This property is  
managed with  
prescribed fire  
in order to maintain  
its ecology and to  
reduce the risk of  
wildfire**



#10 Use every avenue available to get the word out about land management, what it takes, the benefits and the risks of not managing land