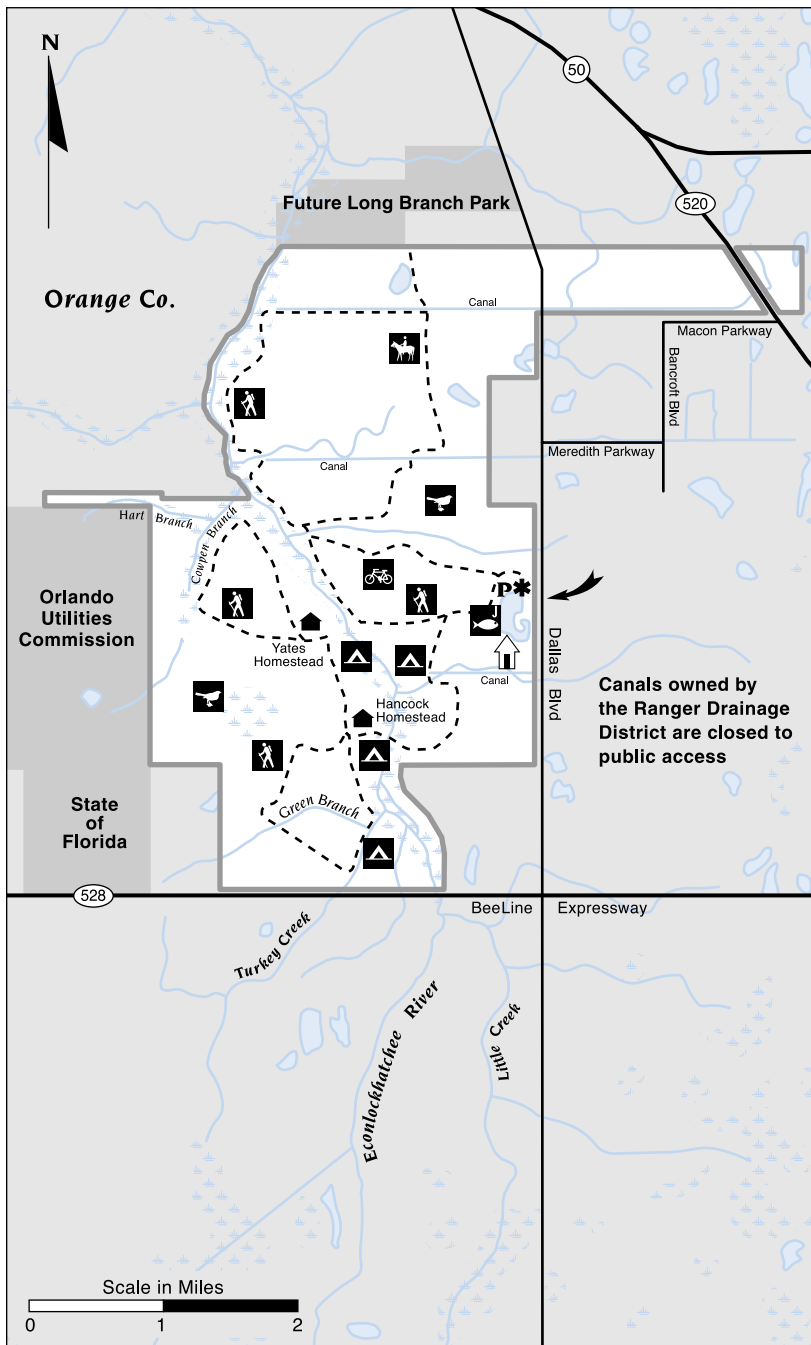


# Hal Scott

REGIONAL PRESERVE AND PARK



**Size:** 8,427 acres.

**Location:** In east Orange County, southeast of Orlando.

**Description:** A portion of this area was acquired by the District using funds from the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority and the Florida Department of Transportation as part of the mitigation for beltway construction in the southern part of the county. Orange County funding provided the partnership to establish this regional preserve. Additional property to the north was acquired to protect the resources of the Econlockhatchee River within the property. This conservation area provides a buffer for the property and an ecological and recreational connection to Orange County's Long Branch Park, which is in the development stage.

**Wildlife viewing:** This vast expanse of flatwoods and open prairie straddles the Econlockhatchee River in east Orange County. It is home to bald eagles, sandhill cranes, red-cockaded woodpeckers, gopher tortoises, bobcats, river otters and indigo snakes.

**Recreational activities:** Trails are available for hiking, horseback riding and bicycling. Additional activities include fishing, picnicking and bird-watching (see Using District Land section at the end of this document). Primitive camping is allowed in designated sites. Trails will connect with Long Branch Park once it is developed. Until the Curry Ford and Hancock bridges are completely restored, access west of the Econlockhatchee River is limited. The west side can be accessed by walking through shallow parts of the river during low water levels.

**Restrictions:** Category 3 (see Restrictions section at the end of this document).

**Access:** From Orlando: Head east on SR 50 to SR 520. From SR 520, turn west into the Wedgfield subdivision on Macon Parkway. Turn left on Bancroft Boulevard, right on Meredith Parkway, left on Dallas Boulevard. The park entrance is 1.6 miles from the Meredith/Dallas intersection, on the right. There is an exit for Dallas Boulevard from the BeeLine Expressway east-bound.

**For more information:** The District's Division of Land Management serves as lead manager of this property, in close cooperation with Orange County. Call the District's Division of Land Management at (407) 893-3127.

