# FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SOIL SCIENTISTS

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## 2015 FAESS Annual Business Meeting (November 12 – 13, 2012) <u>Willow Pond</u> Monticello, Florida

#### Thursday NOVEMBER 12

12:00 Noon: Welcome and registration.
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. FAESS Fieldwork and exploration at Willow Pond, Rooster Creek, and adjacent public lands. Several opportunities will be available to enjoy FL panhandle soils and ecosystems.
6:00 p.m. **DINNER** served buffet style southeast corner of pavilion.
7:00 - 11:00 p.m. **SOCIAL** (coffee, dessert, non-alcoholic beverages provided) Campfire and outdoor social activities will be available after dinner.

#### Speakers :

**David Ward**, area land owner, historian of lands immediately west of old railroad right of way. **Mike Willis**, General Manager of Mays Pond Plantation

### Friday NOVEMBER 13

<u>Breakfast</u>	
6:30 a.m.	6:30 a.m. – Coffee, juice, tea available
7:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast (Rolls, muffins, juice, cereal, etc.)
9:00-12:00 a.m	n. Business meeting – FAESS Agenda
12:00 Noon	Prime rib sandwich on hoagie bread, chips and tea/beverage
1:00 p.m.	Continuation of field events or event on your own, or say good-bye and get on the road.
0'dark thirty	Exit stage left: Break down at your leisure - facility available until dark.
	You don't have to go home, but you can't stay here. There are several opportunities to
	explore the FL panhandle in the immediate vicinity of Willow Pond.

#### Additional Details:

- Beverages available all day
- 4 RV sites with electric and water are available reservations required, so please contact Willow Pond in advance. (850) 222-4400
- 50 tent sites and covered pavilion available wooded area along flowing creeks (bring bug spray)
- Dump station available at departure
- All campsite setup should be complete by 5 p.m. day #1
- Several local B&B's are available in nearby Monticello- <u>1872 John Denham House</u>, <u>Avera-Clarke House</u>, and <u>The Daffodale House</u>
- Other lodging includes Econo Lodge, Super 8 Monticello, and Days Inn Lamont/Monticello





<u>From Tallahassee</u> <u>From Thomasville</u> <u>From</u> <u>Jacksonville</u>

From South Florida From Interstate 10

Located less than twenty miles East of Tallahassee and two miles from historic Monticello, Willow Pond is nestled against thousands of acres of North Florida and South Georgia plantations. The gentle rolling land with majestic oaks, magnolias and cypress provide a perfect country retreat. Cabins, trails, stocked ponds, in-door and outdoor group facilities are scattered among the acres of relaxing landscape. From primitive woodland with creeks, ponds and beautiful cypress to manicured gardens around the wedding gazebo, visitors enjoy the beauty and seclusion of the country without sacrificing the conveniences of home.

Easily accessible from I-10 and less than two miles from the Florida-Georgia Parkway (US 19) as it passes through Monticello, Willow Pond provides an ideal way to begin a Florida vacation or wind down and relax before the return trip home.

Enjoy more than one overnight stay at Willow Pond. Day trips ranging from two to thirty miles might include the Gulf Coast beaches, dozens of antique shops and historic areas as well as the many attractions of Florida's beautiful capital city, Tallahassee. More than seventy plantations, comprising over a quarter million acres, are within 30 minutes of Willow Pond.



