

## “Everglades National Park — Up Close and Personal”

**DESCRIPTION:** Want to see the Everglades? Join us for a post-conference trip into the River of Grass for an up close and personal look at Everglades National Park. Besides a day of camaraderie with your fellow restoration professionals, highlights include guided walking tours, a live Burmese python encounter, a slough slog into a Cypress dome, and a sunset cruise on Florida Bay.



**ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED:** Attendance is limited to 40-registrants.

Advance registration is required. Indicate your interest in participating when completing online registration. Field trips are open exclusively to conference registrants. However, family members may sign up on-site at the conference if space is available.

**WE PROVIDE:** Educational tour guides, bus transportation, snacks and refreshments throughout the day, a boxed lunch, a reception and catered dinner next to Florida Bay, and a sunset cruise by pontoon boat on Florida Bay.

**YOU BRING:** Sunscreen, water bottle, rain gear, sturdy close-toed, shoes, and long pants for the slough slog. Light clothing that dries quickly is ideal. We also recommend you bring a hat, sunglasses, insect repellent, a camera, binoculars, and change of shoes and pants. Although it will be the end of the dry season, rain is possible and it may be hot – dress accordingly. *Comfortable walking shoes that can get wet and muddy are a must.*

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** March 18 or until the limit of 40 is reached. Refunds for cancellations will be issued until March 18, minus a \$25.00 processing fee. *Refunds will not be issued after March 18.*

**THE FINE PRINT:** The itinerary below is subject to change, depending on weather, local conditions, and other factors. If an insufficient number sign up, this trip is subject to cancellation. If the trip is cancelled, you will receive a 100% refund.

- 10:15 Board bus at Conference Center Entrance
- 10:30 Depart Coral Springs Marriott – enjoy boxed lunches on bus
- 12:00 Arrive at [Everglades National Park](#) Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center (video, orientation and introductory remarks)
- 12:45 Depart Visitor Center for walk on [Anhinga Trail](#)
- 2:15 Live Burmese python interaction and discussion at Anhinga Trail
- 2:45 Depart Anhinga Trail for slough slog
- 3:00 [Slough slog](#) in Cypress Dome habitat (*You may get wet from wading in water up to your knees, so bring a change of pants and shoes; no shorts or open-toed shoes allowed on the slough slog*)
- 4:15 Stop at [Pa-hay-okee Overlook](#) and take a short walk on the trail
- 5:15 Arrive at Flamingo Marina for refreshments and catered dinner
- 6:45 Depart marina on Florida Bay Sunset Cruise
- 8:15 Return to dock and board bus for hotel
- 10:00 Arrive at Marriott Coral Springs

