

# Foley Timber and Land Company

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RE: Yates Creek, Taylor County, Florida

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Foley Timber and Land Company, it is my pleasure to recommend the Yates Creek, Taylor County property for creation of a permanent, public park. This unique property exemplifies the beautiful landscape that makes up Taylor County's coastline and provides access to some of the quality of life treasures enjoyed along this rural stretch of Florida's Gulf Coast.

As one of Florida's largest, privately held property owners, with more than 560,000 acres of timber and other lands, Foley is the largest property owner in Taylor County. Working in concert with the Taylor County community, the company has recently completed a large-scale preservation based development plan for portions of its Taylor County land holdings. One of the major objectives of the company's plan is to provide opportunities for future growth that support and enhance the quality of life in Taylor County. Preserving Yates Creek's beauty and use as an active, public park, including much needed local access to the Gulf of Mexico, will help ensure that existing and future generations of Taylor County residents, other Floridians, and visitors to the state can continue to enjoy the "Taylor County's lifestyle"—especially as the community grows over time.

When funds appropriated for the purpose of acquisitions become available, it is our hope that such funds can be used to preserve special places such as Yates Creek.

Sincerely,



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Sr. Vice President, Planning