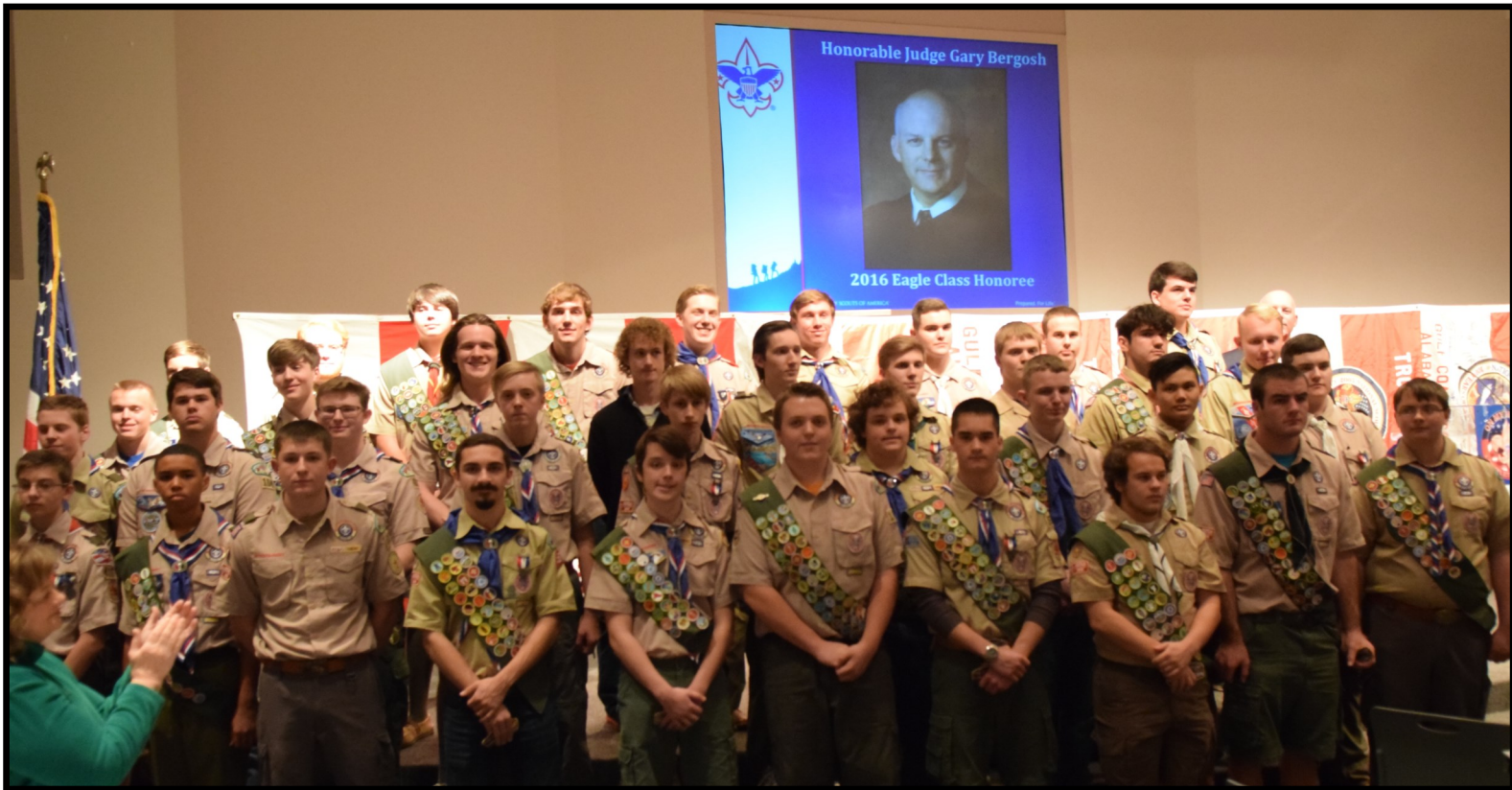


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A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL KEY 3

It is with great pride, we present the Annual Report for your review.

The Gulf Coast Council finished 103 years of organized Scouting on the Gulf Coast.

Your Council continues to provide Quality Programming, Membership, Program Growth and Volunteer Development. Program attendance increased in most programs. Financially, the council made it through a difficult year due to the generosity of thousands of donations.

While all of these achievements are special, the most important are ones we cannot always measure. Young men, women and volunteer leaders are growing, learning and challenging each other to become better citizens.

The beginning of our \$2.4 million "Campaign for Scouting" brings great excitement. When successful, the funds raised will allow us to do many wonderful projects at Spanish Trail Scout Reservation and fund new programs for the next 3 years.

The Gulf Coast Council is here to support the tireless efforts of the thousands of volunteers and parents who give their time, money and resources to make youth better through Scouting. The achievements listed in the 2017 Annual Report are because of you.

On behalf of Scouting,
Thank you!

Jim Mathis
Council President

George Pelfrey
Council Commissioner

Spencer Page
Scout Executive



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JANUARY

- ◆ Council achieved "Bronze" Status in Journey to Excellence!

FEBRUARY

- ◆ Scout Anniversary Week was observed by many units and Scouts across the Council.
- ◆ Tiger Growl held for 12th year with Tigers and partners attending.
- ◆ Council Recognition Banquet honored the Honorable Judge Gary Bergosh Class of Eagles and awarded 4 Silver Beaver Awards.

MARCH

- ◆ Order of the Arrow Ordeal - 125 Arrowmen attended with many projects completed.
- ◆ Camping Committee conducted pre-camp inspection of Spanish Trail Scout Reservation.

APRIL

- ◆ Order of the Arrow Spring Fellowship conducted with over 80 Arrowmen participating.
- ◆ Scout Leader Training conducted in districts.
- ◆ Spring Family Camp with 510 in attendance.

MAY

- ◆ Council completes Friends of Scouting campaign, raising over \$270,000.
- ◆ 6th year of the Camp Card Campaign with over \$80,000 raised for Scouts to attend camps.

JUNE

- ◆ 4 Cub Day Camps conducted with over 400 Cubs participating.
- ◆ Summer Camp inspection resulted in Camp receiving an "A" Rating for the 34th consecutive year.
- ◆ Over \$30,000 of Capital improvements completed at Spanish Trail Scout Reservation

JULY

- ◆ Successful Summer Camp completed at Spanish Trail Scout Reservation.
- ◆ 2017 National Jamboree, Council sent 2 troops with 77 youth and adults.
- ◆ The Gulf Coast Council had 23 people on the National Jamboree Staff.

AUGUST

- ◆ 2017 Fall Round-Up Kick-Off meeting held in each district.

SEPTEMBER

- ◆ Council-wide School Night for Scouting conducted with 890 new Scouts registered.

OCTOBER

- ◆ Fall Cub Scout Family Camp weekends had over 2200 in attendance.
- ◆ Scout Leader Training conducted in all districts.

NOVEMBER

- ◆ Council-wide Fall Popcorn sale resulted in over \$479,305 in gross sales with \$157,059 in commissions to units.
- ◆ Webelos Weekend held at Camp with over 400 in attendance.

DECEMBER

- ◆ OA conducted Annual Banquet with 125 attendees.
- ◆ 9th Winter Camp held with 150 participants at STSR for 3 days.
- ◆ Largest Eagle Scout Class in the past 15 years, with 131 total Eagles awarded.



2017 COUNCIL OPERATING BUDGET

Good stewardship of Scouting's resources is always in practice in the Gulf Coast Council. The Executive Board and its Financial Officers make every effort to see that Scouting dollars are used wisely. We are grateful for the financial support received from the following sources (Un-audited):

INCOME

ITEM	AMOUNT
FOS / SPECIAL EVENTS (NET)	263,394
UNITED WAY / CFC	31,350
ENDOWMENT INCOME	25,618
CAMPING / ACTIVITIES	377,000
SALE OF SUPPLIES & PRODUCTS (NET)	188,830
LFL /OTHER INCOME/TRANSFERS	231,980
TOTAL	\$1,118,172

EXPENSES

ITEM	AMOUNT
PROGRAM / SERVICE	1,049,516
MANAGEMENT / GENERAL	109,833
FUNDRAISING	61,018
TOTAL	\$1,220,367



2017 MEMBERSHIP

2017 Quality Program Continues . . .

Scouting attracts and retains youth by providing a quality program under trained adult leadership in Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews, Ships and Explorer Posts.

The health and vitality of the Council's program are reflected in the **Membership Comparison Chart**, which tracks 2016 and 2017 performance in selected measurable areas.



MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON

YOUTH	DEC 2016	DEC 2017
Lions	0	42
Tiger Cubs	429	315
Cub Scouts	2,430	2146
Boy Scouts	1,730	1678
Venturers	73	67
Explorers / LFL	7,153	122
TOTAL YOUTH:	11,815	4,370
UNITS	DEC 2016	DEC 2017
Cub Scout Packs	74	73
Boy Scout Troops	77	80
Venture Crews	12	13
Explorer Posts / LFL	24	13
TOTAL UNITS:	187	179
OTHER	DEC 2016	DEC 2017
Adult Volunteers	1,610	1,741
Professional Staff	5	4
Long Term Campers	1,711	1,745

CHARTER PARTNERS USING THE SCOUTING PROGRAM IN THE GULF COAST COUNCIL 2017

RELIGIOUS	NUMBER OF UNITS
LDS	31
Methodist	49
Baptist	11
Catholic / K of C	17
Lutheran	5
Presbyterian / Community Churches	6
Episcopal	2
COMMUNITY	NUMBER OF UNITS
Kiwanis Clubs	1
Elks	1
Citizen's Groups	10
Optimist	3
Chambers	2
Business & Industry / Community Action Grp	11
American Legion / VFW / Am Vets	8
EDUCATION	NUMBER OF UNITS
PTA / PTO	3
Private Schools	5

ADVANCEMENTS 2017

CUB SCOUTS

TIGER	247
BOBCAT	476
WOLF	292
BEAR	302
WEBELOS	247
ARROW OF LIGHT	240



BOY SCOUTS

TENDERFOOT	144
SECOND CLASS	131
FIRST CLASS	100
STAR	110
LIFE	111
EAGLE	131



2017 EAGLE SCOUT CLASS



BRENNEN HUGH WRIGHT - TROOP 2
 JESSIE BRANDENBURG - TROOP 2
 XAVIER ANSLEY BLACK - TROOP 3
 SKYLER JOSEPH FLYNN - TROOP 3
 JORDAN SHANE ISERMAN - TROOP 3
 KENNETH CHARLES - OVERHOLT
 NATHAN SKYLER SAMS - TROOP 3
 NURIEL BENJAMIN MILLER - TROOP 3
 WILLIAM LAWTON MYSLAK - TROOP 10
 NOAH PATRICK ZALAR - TROOP 11
 NOAH GENE BARRINEAU - TROOP 11
 SAMUEL EDWARD ESTES - TROOP 24
 CHRISTOPHER JOHN PUCHNER - TROOP 24
 ZACHARY GAGE HAGAN - TROOP 31
 CHRISTOPHER JAMES GUTHRIE - TROOP 42
 RYAN SCOTT MATHEWSON - TROOP 52
 ADAM PAUL KLAMERUS - TROOP 52
 SAMUEL AARON TERRY - TROOP 63
 THOMAS JAMES KIBLER - TROOP 71
 SETH HUNTER FICKLIN - TROOP 71
 JACOB LEROY COOLEY - TROOP 71
 ZACHARY ALEXANDER MOSER - TROOP 82
 CANTON BRYCE YOUNG - TROOP 82
 WILLIAM SPENCE JORDAN - TROOP 82
 CARL IVAN GILLS - TROOP 102
 JERRELL DUANE LYNCHARD - TROOP 102
 MICHAEL JAKOB CHAMBERS - TROOP 102
 COLIN WESLEY BLACK - TROOP 106
 ROBERT JOHN ZALESKE, III - TROOP 106
 LUCAS ROBERTS PALLONE - TROOP 106
 NELSON PHILLIP LIBBERT - TROOP 106
 COLIN CLEMENT CAVANAUGH - TROOP 106
 ELIOT CHRISTIAN GREENE - TROOP 157
 ROBERT KEITH BURGESS - TROOP 157
 BONNEAU VADEN - TROOP 302
 JOSHUA NATHAN LEE BEAUCAGE - TROOP 302
 GRANT WAKEFIELD LORD - TROOP 302
 GABRIEL WILLIAM COLLINS - TROOP 303
 JACOB MILES CORNELL - TROOP 317
 ANDREW ROBERT SPORZA - TROOP 317
 LUKE ANTHONY WHITLOW - TROOP 317
 HABIB ALI SEPTEMBER - TROOP 317
 DELBERT BRODY BAKER - TROOP 321
 SAMUEL JACOB OSWALD - TROOP 321

SION WALLACE COOLEY - TROOP 321
 DILLON EDWARD FUDER - TROOP 345
 DUSTYN PAUL MABUS - TROOP 345
 RYAN EVERY CAMPBELL - TROOP 366
 JOSEPH SIMON LOWTHER - TROOP 366
 BENJAMIN ERIC WEBER - TROOP 366
 JACKSON GREGORY ALFORD - TROOP 366
 JAMISON TAYLOR UNDERWOOD - TROOP 366
 BENJAMIN AUGUST LUEBBERS - TROOP 400
 KEVIN MICHAEL MCWILLIAMS - TROOP 400
 CASEY REED DELONG - TROOP 400
 RYAN CHRISTOPHER DAEGES - TROOP 401
 LATHAN DAVID LEE - TROOP 415
 GORDON KENDAL SKINNER - TROOP 415
 JONATHAN CHARLES LEVAN - TROOP 415
 SEAN JACOB PHILLIPS - TROOP 415
 JOHN MICHAEL HUGGINS - TROOP 417
 DAGAN CHRISTOPHER DUKE - TROOP 417
 CHRISTOPHER C. MCCHESENEY, II - TROOP 417
 GORHAM DOUGLAS PARTINGTON - TROOP 425
 DOMINIC MARCEL LASQUETY - TROOP 425
 JOHN PAUL NUSBAUM - TROOP 425
 CONNOR JOSEPH STEWART - TROOP 425
 MICHAEL J. CONSTANTINE - TROOP 427
 LOGAN CALEN FRANE - TROOP 427
 JOSEPH EDWIN PHILLIPS, III - TROOP 427
 WILLIAM MANUEL GONZALES BARNES - TROOP 427
 JAQUAN LEDARIEN WILLIAMS - TROOP 433
 MARTIN WILLIAM MURTA - TROOP 439
 ZACHARY MONROE BRAUN - TROOP 439
 JACOB FRANK BRAUN, II - TROOP 439
 DANIEL WAYNE WELCH - TROOP 439
 WILLIAM PATRICK TRICE - TROOP 439
 RICHARD JOSEPH FISHER - TROOP 451
 AUSTIN CHRISTOPHER O'GARA - TROOP 451
 GABRIEL JOSEPH SMALL - TROOP 451
 IAN LEE BLANKENBEKER - TROOP 451
 NICHOLAS BURR - TROOP 451
 LOGAN CARRINGTON DONOHUE - TROOP 456
 TYLER AUSTIN SUGGS - TROOP 484
 JACK PALACE SIMONE - TROOP 484
 MATTHEW THOMAS HITPAS, JR. - TROOP 484
 JAMISON CHARLES SANDERS - TROOP 484

GRANT MICHAEL LANDRY - TROOP 484
 RYAN ALEXANDER HAMMOCK - TROOP 495
 PEYTON EVANS SMITH - TROOP 495
 KIRBY SMITH, V - TROOP 495
 NICKLAUS MATHER BOWYER - TROOP 504
 HARRISON CHARLES JOURDAN - TROOP 504
 BENJAMIN WILLIAM HEYSE - TROOP 504
 JACKSON GREGORY SMITH - TROOP 512
 SHANE WESLEY HUEVELINK - TROOP 525
 JACOB DAVID MURLEY - TROOP 525
 ALEXANDER JAMES WARD - TROOP 529
 ALEXANDER EVERETT WRIGHT - TROOP 529
 AARYN MIGUEL COOPER - TROOP 532
 JARED EVAN KENNEDY - TROOP 544
 TRISTAN MICHAEL HINZIE - TROOP 544
 SHANE JOSEPH WHITNEY - TROOP 544
 DAKOTA SHANE DAVIS - TROOP 544
 CAMERON JACOB TABB - TROOP 544
 BRIAN WESTON SMITH - TROOP 546
 ETHAN MARK HADDORFF - TROOP 544
 ANDREW THOMAS HELMS - TROOP 553
 AUSTIN EUGENE JACOBS - TROOP 553
 MICHAEL CHRISTIAN PICKENS - TROOP 553
 JOSHUA PETER RILEY - TROOP 555
 RYAN VON GILLESPIE - TROOP 555
 THOMAS EDWARD RICE - TROOP 562
 JOSEPH RUSSELL MINSHEW - TROOP 608
 ZACHERY RUSSELL MERRILL - TROOP 608
 THOMAS GEORGE YOUNG - TROOP 628
 PAUL THOMAS ASHTON - TROOP 628
 RONNIE ALEXANDER PLENKERS - TROOP 628
 MICAH WILLIAM SHOWALTER - TROOP 632
 SHERADAN MACLEAN STILLWELL - TROOP 632
 EZEKIAL JAMES WILLIAM GOODWIN - TROOP 676
 PETER SCOTT OAKES - TROOP 676
 RAYMOND WILLIAM VANDERVORT - TROOP 676
 BRADEN ROBERT GUILLORY - TROOP 692
 BRAXTON PARKER PAGE - TROOP 692
 BRADLEY CHARLES TROTTER - TROOP 692
 JOHN MICHAEL LELAND - TROOP 692
 MICHAEL CALEB PERKINS - TROOP 706
 ALEX MICHAEL DEVUYST - TROOP 706
 CHRISTOPHER LEWIS JONES - TROOP 710
 CHRISTOPHER M. SCHULTZ - TROOP 773



GULF COAST COUNCIL 2017

NATIONAL JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE AWARD ACHIEVEMENTS

JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE STANDARDS			GULF COAST COUNCIL RESULTS
1.	FISCAL MANAGEMENT: Maintain positive unrestricted net assets in the Operating Fund to support annual operating expenses.	✓	BRONZE LEVEL: Council increased unrestricted Net Assets over 2016 by .08%.
2.	FUNDRAISING: Increase Council generated net contributions in the Operating Fund over prior year.	✗	DID NOT SCORE: Council had decrease in direct funding over 2016 by 16.3%.
3.	ENDOWMENT: Add new permanently restricted gifts to the Endowment Fund.	✓	Gold Level: Council added \$508,000 to Permanent and Deferred Gifts to Endowment Fund.
4.	MEMBERSHIP IMPACT: Increase market share (Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Explorers).	✓	Bronze Level: Down .56% from 2016.
5.	MEMBERSHIP/YOUTH GROWTH: Increase number of registered youth (Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Explorers).	✗	Did Not Score: Experienced -7.8% overall traditional/Explorer membership decrease from 2016.
6.	YOUTH RETENTION: Improve retention rate of traditional members.	✓	Bronze Level: 67.5% of Youth retained from 2016.
7.	CUB SCOUT ADVANCEMENT: Increase the percentage of Cub Scouts earning rank advancements.	✓	Gold Level: Council had 61.53% of all Cubs advance in rank.
8.	BOY SCOUT ADVANCEMENT: Increase the percentage of Boy Scouts earning rank advancements.	✓	BRONZE LEVEL: 44.8% of all Boy Scouts Advanced.
9.	CUB SCOUT CAMPING: Increase the percentage of Cub Scouts attending day camp and/or resident camp.	✓	GOLD LEVEL: 98.1% of all Cubs attended Long Term or Family Camp.
10.	BOY SCOUT CAMPING: Increase the percentage of total Boy/ Varsity Scouts attending long-term camp and high adventure program.	✓	SILVER LEVEL: 70.6%+ of all Scouts attended long term Camp.
11.	COMMUNITY SERVICE: Increase the amount of community service provided by Scouts, leaders and other participants.	✓	GOLD LEVEL: Over 28,000 Hours Registered
12.	YOUTH-SERVING EXECUTIVES: Maintain or improve ratio of youth-serving executives to total available youth.	✗	DID NOT SCORE: Reduced Professional Staff.
13.	COMMISSIONER SERVICE: Increase the number of registered commissioners over prior year.	✗	DID NOT SCORE: Council has 4.39 Units per Commissioners.
14.	UNIT VISITATIONS: Improve the rate of visitations to units by commissioners.	✓	SILVER LEVEL: 10.85% of all units had a minimum of 6 Unit visits.
15.	COUNCIL LEADERSHIP: Meet leadership improvement areas.	✓	SILVER LEVEL: Executive Board met 3 of 4 leadership requirements.
16.	DISTRICT LEADERSHIP: Increase the number of volunteers serving on district committees.	✓	SILVER LEVEL: Districts averaged 20 registered Committee Members.
17.	UNIT LEADERSHIP: Increase the number of direct contact leaders who are trained.	✓	GOLD LEVEL: 47.05% of all direct contact leaders trained, 1.2% decrease over 2016.

GULF COAST COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

2018 GULF COAST COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD SLATE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Council President
Council Commissioner
VP Membership
VP Program
VP Administration
Past President/Treasurer
National Representative

James Mathis
George Pelfrey
Bonnie Tierney
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DISTRICT CHAIRS:

CHOCTAW - Tim Tierney

LAKE SANDS - Mike Madewell

LONG LEAF PINE - *Vacant*

PENSACOLA BAY - Ryan Ripley

MEMBERS @ LARGE:

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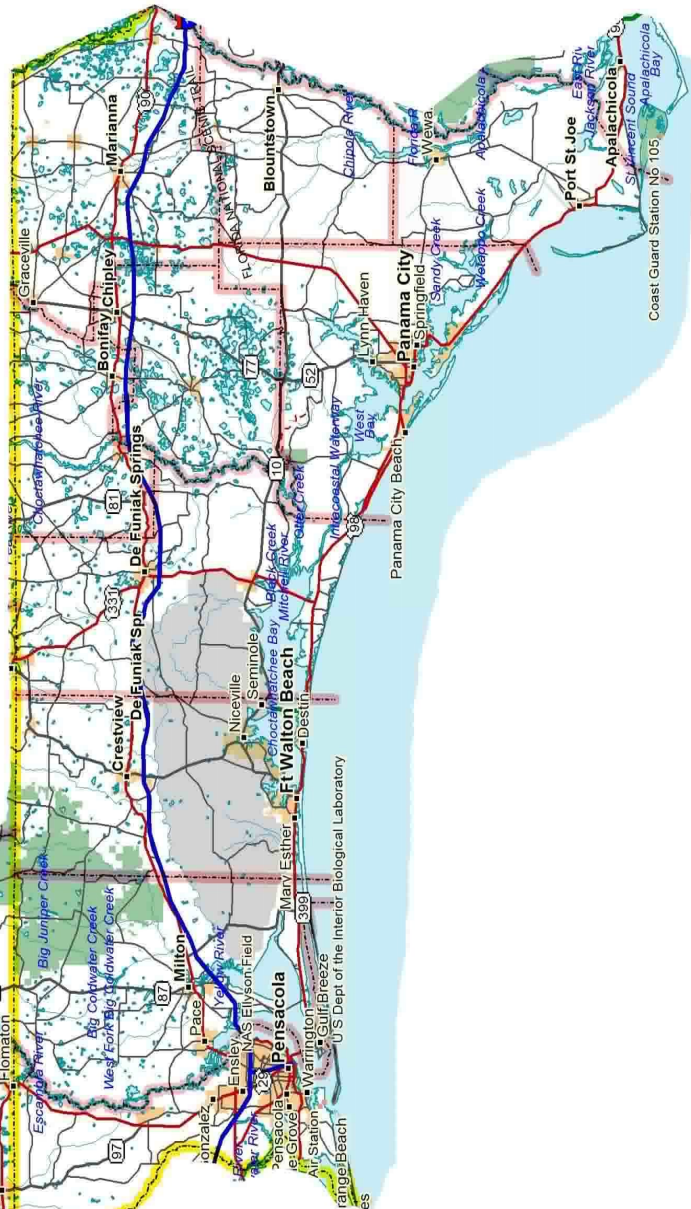
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