



**WORKING TOGETHER TO
ACHIEVE SUCCESS**

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The background is a grayscale photograph of a mangrove forest. The water is calm, reflecting the surrounding trees and vegetation. A white egret is visible in the lower right portion of the image, standing in the water. The overall scene is serene and natural.

The mission of
The Nature Conservancy

is to preserve the plants, animals, and

natural communities

that represent the

diversity of life on earth

by protecting the

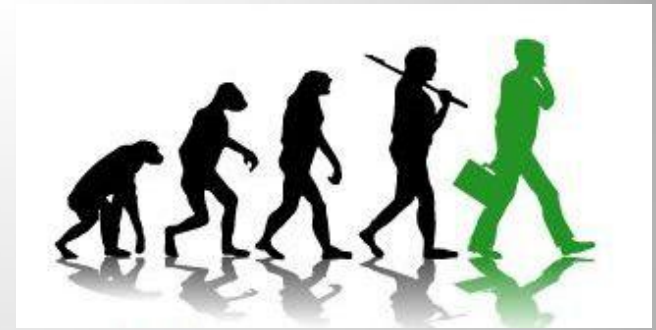
lands and waters

they need to survive.

Partnerships



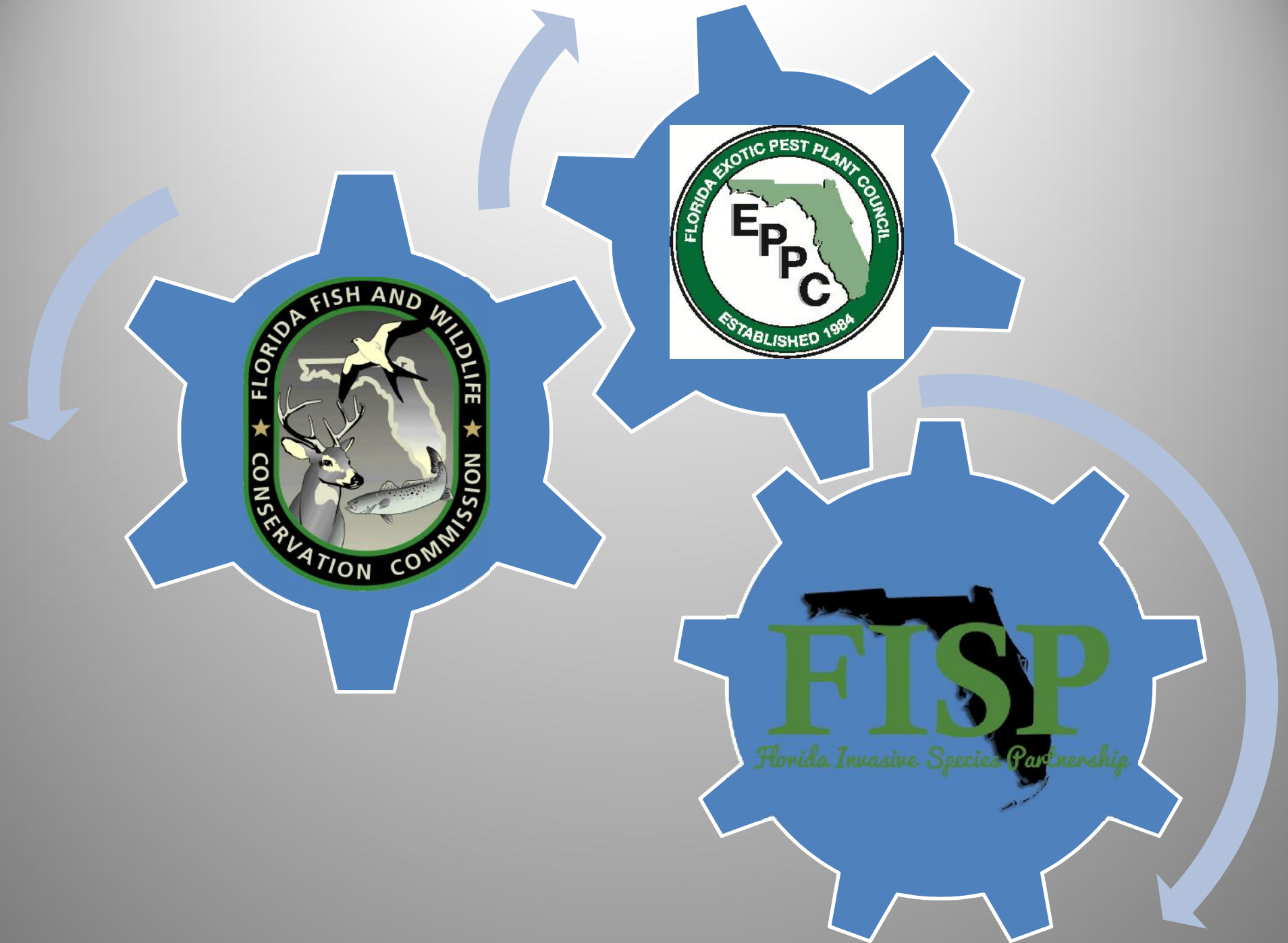
The Evolution of FISP

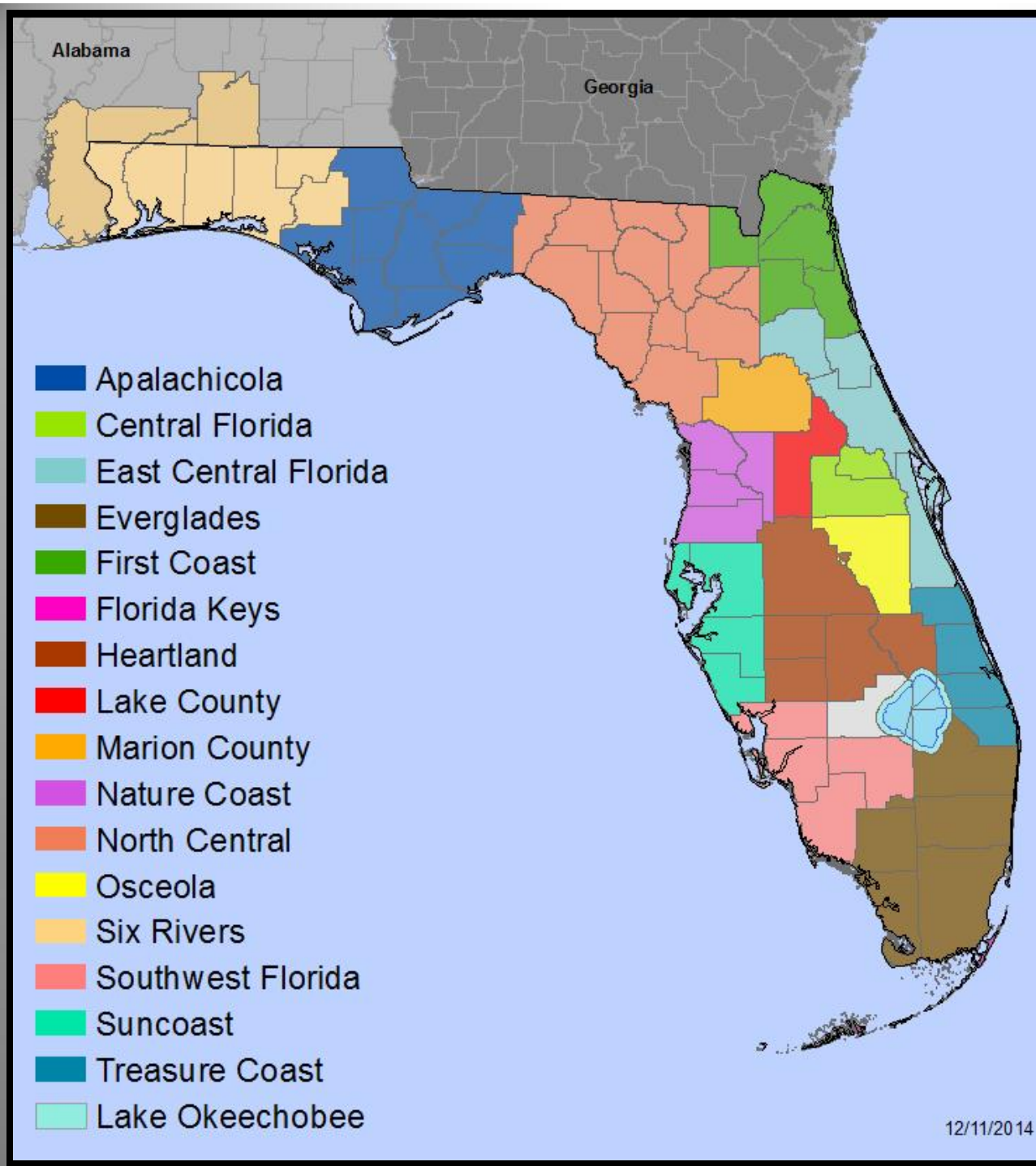


- 2001 Invasive Species Working Group
 - Federal & state agencies one strategic plan for prevention and management of all biological invasions in Florida
 - Primarily **public** lands
- 2006 Private Land Incentive Group
 - Invasive species management on **private** lands
 - **Promoted partnerships** between public land managers, resource managers and private land managers
- 2008 The Florida Invasive Species Partnership
 - **Public and private** lands
 - Maintains same partnership focus

FISP Goals

- Encourage voluntary partnerships to increase effectiveness and decrease costs of comprehensive invasive species management;
- Provide tools and resources that enable the development of unified approaches, bridging the gap between private landowners' and land management agency invasive species efforts; and,
- Encourage the development, implementation and sharing of new and/or innovative approaches to address the threat of invasive species.





CISMA Numbers:

- 17 CISMAs
- 97.6% of state
- Average 4 counties per CISMA (range from 1-13)

CISMA Efforts:

- Workdays
- Workshops
- Prioritization
- Outreach

CISMA Character:

- Chairs/co-chairs
- Steering committees
- Subcommittees
- meetings

Florida CISMA Structure

	Meetings per year	Chair or co-chairs	Steering Committee	Sub-committees
Treasure Coast	Quarterly	Co-chairs	~Yes	Yes
First Coast	Quarterly	Co-chairs	Yes	Yes
Marion	Varies	Chair	~Yes	~Yes
Heartland	2-3 per year	Chair	Yes	Yes
Keys	6x per year	Chair	Yes	~Yes
Six Rivers	3x per year	Chair	Yes	Yes
Apalachicola	Semi-annual	Chair	Yes	No
Everglades	Quarterly	Co-chairs	Yes	Yes
Central Florida	Semi-annual	None	Yes	No
East Central Florida	~Quarterly	Co-chairs	No	Yes
Most common	Varies with all at least 2x year	Tied (more desire for co-chairs)	Yes	Yes – and desired

8 years running!

✓ 8 years of CISMA
annual workshops at
FLEPPC symposiums

✓ 7 years of CISMA
monthly Webinars



Our Accomplishments

- ✓ FISP website, CISMA websites and the private land incentive database
- ✓ Funded FTEs in Florida's Natural Heritage Program
- ✓ Jointly funded Coordinator position in University Extension Program
- ✓ Partner to assume grant administration for FISP and CISMAs
- ✓ Jointly created CISMA guidance documents



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[Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area Resolution/Proclamation Examples](#)

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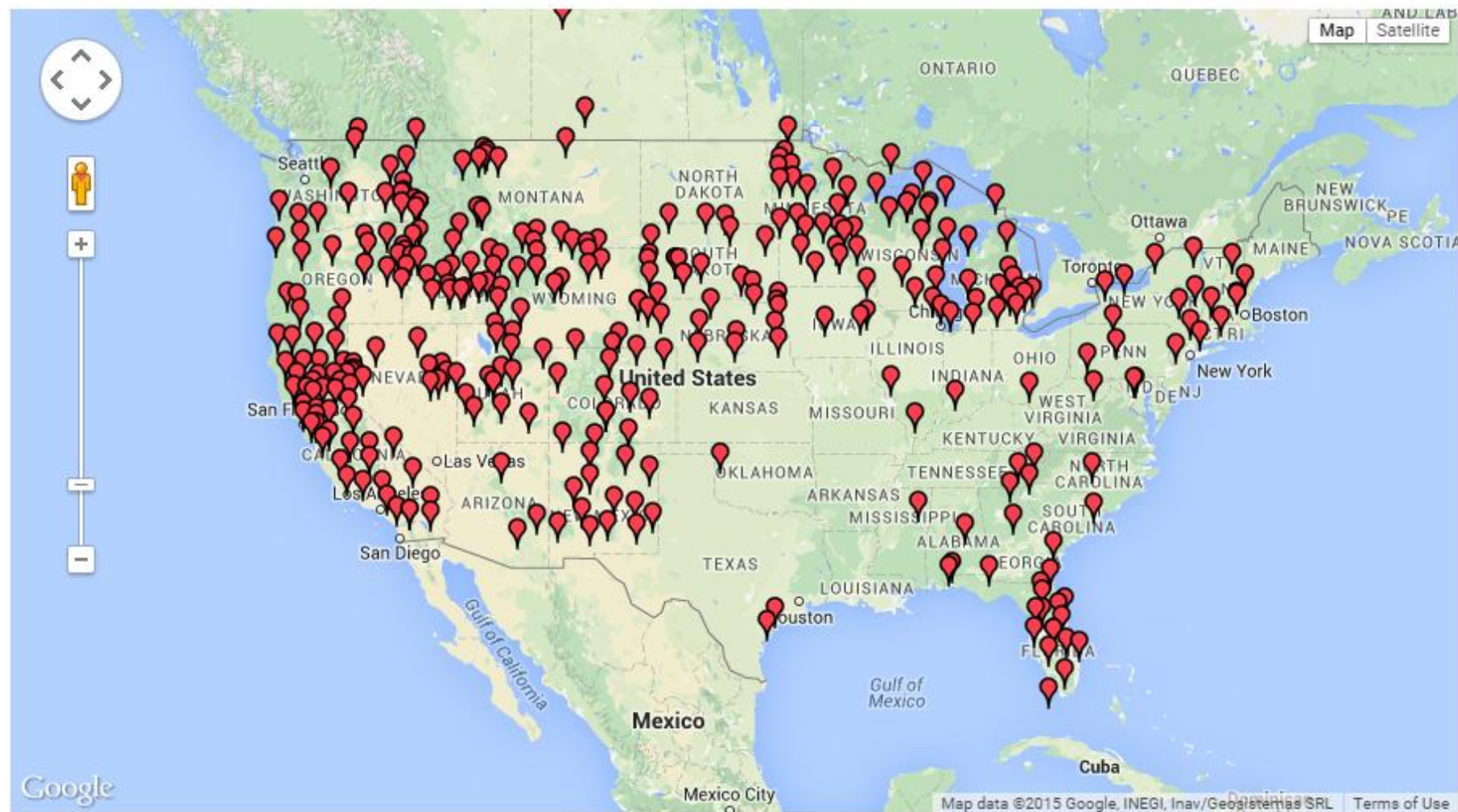
Future Planned Efforts

- ❑ Focusing/building UF-IFAS Extension engagement with CISMAs
- ❑ Pushing increased effectiveness of private land incentive programs
- ❑ Continuing the development of CISMA early detection/rapid response plant lists and priority control plant lists
- ❑ Coordinating a statewide fall weed count



National CWMA Map

[Click Here to add your CWMA to the map.](#) To update your information or to add a list of CWMA's for your state, e-mail us at: cbargero@uga.edu





North Carolina

- Sandhills CWMA
- Greenways Invasive Partnership
- South. Appalachian CWMP (& TN, VA)

South Carolina

- Beach Vitex TF (& NC)
- SC Cogongrass TF

Georgia

- Coastal GA Cisma
- Cogongrass CWMA
- Gaineville/Hall County CWMA

Alabama

- AL Cogongrass TF

Mississippi

- MS CWMA

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