

Guidelines for Brush Thinning on Nature Trail Conservancy Lands

1. Brush thinning is only allowed 10 feet directly beyond your property line using HAND TOOLS ONLY. It is the owner's responsibility to inform your lawn care service. DISCLAIMER: Brush thinning should not increase your property or your yard.
2. No tree over 2.5-inch DBH. (Diameter at breast height)
Exclusions Are: A. Wax Myrtle (<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/st410>)



- B. Yaupon (<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/st311>)



- C. Sparkleberry (<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/fr320>)



These are woody plants that have a waxy coating on their leaves. They are an extremely high fire risk. Only the three noted above may be removed at any size.

When in doubt, always refer to Peterson's Guide to Trees for identification.

3. No clearing allowed that will create a wash problem. If a problem occurs it is the responsibility of the property owner who created the problem to fix it. It is not the responsibility of the Nature Trail Conservancy Board.
4. No removal or disturbing of any endangered plant or animal species. List can be found at <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/>
5. Removal of any dead trees or material that is already on ground is allowed. Do not cut any dead trees over that 2.5-inch diameter, about the size of baseball bat.
6. Any over cleared land in the Conservancy Area must be allowed time to grow to its natural state.

Here is a map of Conservancy Land. It is intended to assist owners in identifying whether their properties are next to Conservancy or HOA property only.

