FIELD TRIP: Agro Eco Park - UF/IFAS Tropical Research and Education Center (TREC)
Saturday, October 19, 2024, 10 a.m. – 12:00 PM

Agro Eco Park is an initiative aimed at showcasing the principles of agroecology to farmers and local community members. The park aims to promote environmentally conscious and socially responsible farming practices for a diversity of plants and land uses across South Florida.

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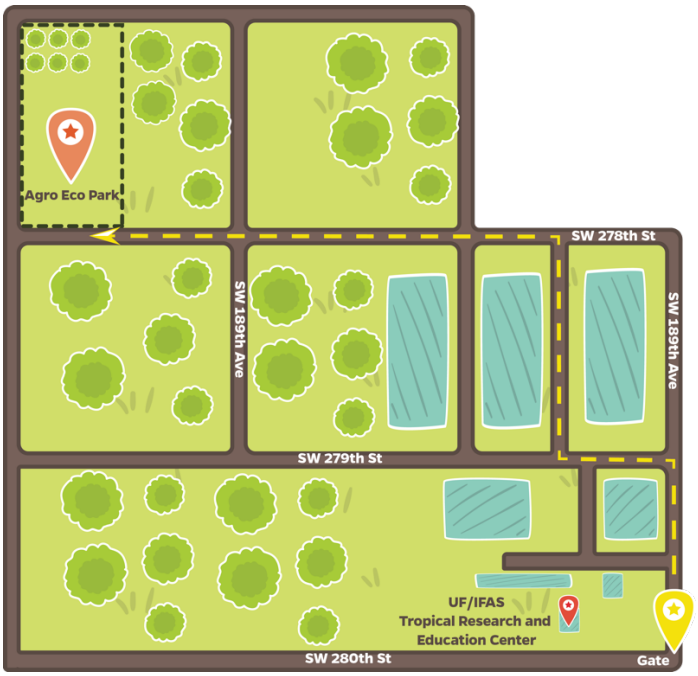
Address: 18905 SW 280th St, Homestead, FL 33031
Directions: From the Turnpike, exit at Biscayne Drive (SW 288th Street), go west to 187th Avenue, turn north (right), and go to 280th Street, turn west (left). **OR take Krome Avenue** (SW 177th Avenue) to SW 280th Street, and turn west.
Entrance: Since TREC will be closed on a Saturday, we will have a person opening the gate between 9:45 am to 10:00 am. From the gate, drive to AgroEco Park designated parking.
Difficulty: Easy-moderate. Terrain can be rocky and uneven. Open field conditions are often hot and wet.
Bring/wear: Wearing long pants, long sleeves, and closed shoes is always recommended in a habitat with uneven footing. Always bring drinking water and sun protection.
Notes: Restrooms will be available a distance away. Pets are not allowed.
We won't need a tram because we only go to the park.



AGROECOLOGY LAB

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Agro Eco Park

What are we doing?

Agro Eco Park is an initiative aimed at showcasing the principles of agroecology to both farmers and the local community. It's our chance to do Agroecology. Our mission is to promote environmentally conscious and socially responsible farming practices in south Florida, even in the face of challenging conditions such as inert soil, harsh climate, and limited resources.

Want to help bring Agro Eco Park to life?
Your active participation and valuable input can contribute to the collective effort of creating a sustainable, community-focused agroecology hub. Stay updated on our progress and find out more about the Agroecology Lab by scanning the code provided.

Mapping agroecosystems

Nature Zone
Biodiversity

These areas are dedicated to preserving native flora and fauna, with conservation zones between crops.

Ag Zone
Production

These areas include annual and perennial crop diversity, an orchard, and an apiary.

Urban Zone
Community

Future area focused on community engagement, These zones feature garden beds, chickens, and an educational community area.

Curating and maintaing plants.

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More information:https://trec.ifas.ufl.edu/agroecology/