



ASHLEY ORLANDO

**BACKLOG ABATEMENT TEAM FIRE LEADER, PARK SERVICES
SPECIALIST - DUNNS CREEK STATE PARK**

Ashley Orlando has been with the Florida Park Service since 2011, working at several different state parks including Anastasia, Fort Mose, Faver-Dykes and Washington Oaks. Currently Ashley is the Park Services Specialist at Dunns Creek State Park. She also serves as the District 3 Fire Team leader, a position that she is passionate about.

Ashley was introduced to prescribed fire early in her career and fell in love with it. She is currently a Certified Burn Manager and leads a district burn team of seven staff members, who are responsible for assisting with prescribe fire and resource management district wide. “Applying fire is a beautifully skilled art, although inherently dangerous, the patience and care of our lands through this mimicking of nature continues to give back in the seasons as we restore these ecosystems.”

Ashley’s commitment to land management doesn’t stop at prescribed fire. Ashley assists with long-term restoration projects at Dunns Creek State Park. She works closely with the district biologist to oversee projects, such as mowing, exotic plant treatment or mass native plantings that will restore and enhance park ecosystems.