

## GRACE HOWELL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS COORDINATOR, ALACHUA CONSERVATION TRUST

Grace is a North Florida native and lifelong nature lover. She graduated from the University of Florida with a B.S. in Natural Resource Conservation and worked in the City of Gainesville's nature parks for 9 years, first as an environmental educator and then as a land manager and biologist. She is a native plant enthusiast, amateur botanist, fire ecology advocate, and Certified Prescribed Burn Manager. Grace coordinates conservation easement documentation, environmental assessments, and land management plans. She also works with land management staff to plan and carry out restoration and natural resource management goals on ACT's conservation properties. Having been inspired and encouraged by a number of passionate conservationists, she enjoys sharing land stewardship skills with young professionals through ACT's Women in the Woods internship program. Grace also serves as Chair of the Land Management Partners Committee on the board of the Florida Native Plant Society.