



Fort Pickens Road Flooding



Major sand overwashes can happen even during thunderstorms.

Why does the road flood?

Santa Rosa is a dynamic barrier island that changes naturally over time. The road was built very low to accommodate vehicle access to the park with minimal disruption to wildlife habitat and natural processes, but it is subject to flooding and overwashes. These overwashes can range from minor instances around high tide, to major events that are impassible for several days.

Does the park provide forecasts?

We do our best to forecast flooding events and inform visitors. These forecasts are not based on scientific models. Park leaders regularly monitor weather patterns that can impact the road. However, flooding can happen quickly, eliminating our ability to provide forecasts.

What to do when the road floods?

The park will close the Fort Pickens Area if significant flooding or sand overwashes occur or are expected. Campers should always be prepared to evacuate the area on short notice (within an hour) or shelter-in-place, you may be stranded for several days. If you have an emergency call 911. For the current road status call Fort Pickens Road Hotline (850) 934-2656.

PENSACOLA BAY

▼ Visitor center

🏠 Ranger station

🌳 Picnic area



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--- Hiking trail

♿ Wheelchair-accessible

🏕️ Campground



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— Multi-use trail

🚻 Restrooms

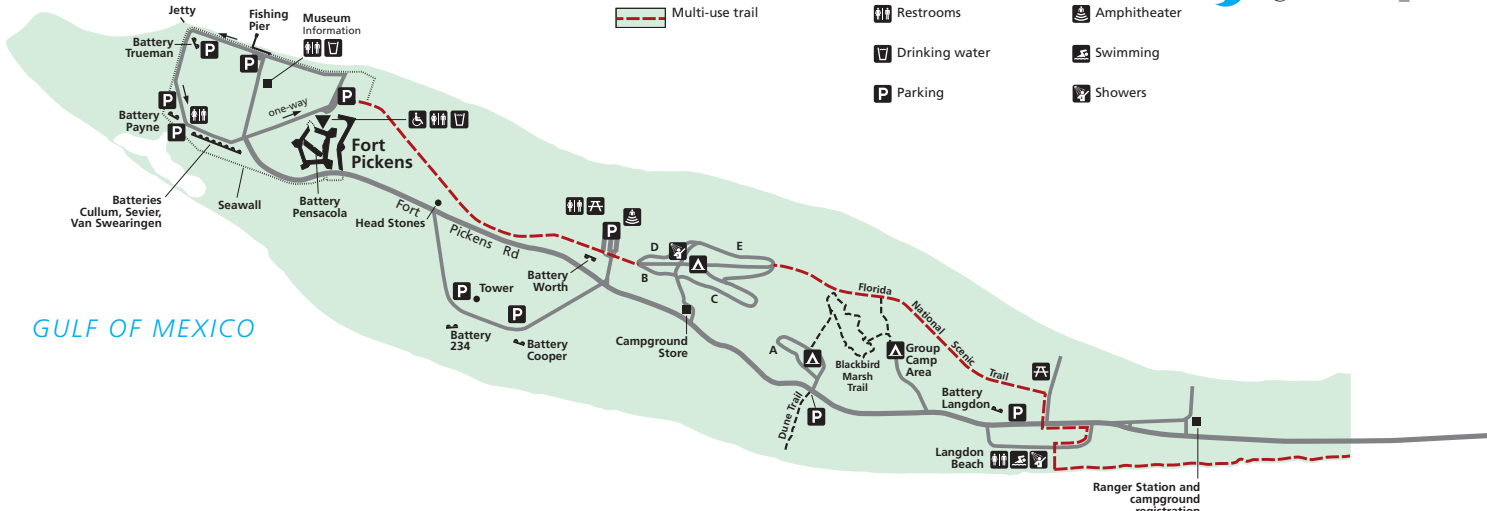
🎪 Amphitheater

🚰 Drinking water

🏊 Swimming

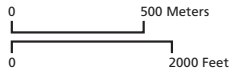
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🚿 Showers



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