



### UNION COUNTY

Lake Butler, Florida

When the Rails to Trails effort in Lake Butler, Florida needed two bridges for the Palatka Lake Butler State Trail, they chose GatorBridge as their manufacturer. Florida was familiar with the benefits of using aluminum over steel including the much reduced maintenance requirements and environmental impact. Gator often provides the Florida DOT with railing, including the popular index 860 rail, which was incorporated into the design of the Union County bridge. GatorBridge's heavy duty truss design was chosen for its aesthetic beauty and loading capabilities. The bridges favorable strength to weight ratio allowed it to be delivered fully fabricated and in a single piece. It was easily unloaded and anchored before the asphalt decking and concrete curb were poured on-site. The construction of the 12-foot-wide, multi-use recreational trail is being completed in phases and currently spans 14.5 miles of the planned 47 miles.



**Installation**  
2012

**Project for**  
Florida Department of Transportation

**Features**  
2 Skyway Truss Bridges  
12 feet by 58 feet  
12 feet by 48 feet Combination Rail  
Asphalt Decking Custom Concrete Curb H10  
Load Rating