

Tomoka State Park is located on the Ormond Scenic Loop and Trail, five miles north of Granada Boulevard, Ormond Beach.

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Established: 1945

The general area of Tomoka has been used by aboriginal Native Americans for about 5000 years. Nocoroco became the focal point of Timucuan culture around A.D.800 and has a very significant historic period component (18th, 19th century European) with a historic (16th, 17th century) and late prehistoric (after A.D. 800) Native American village. Richard Oswald received a land grant in 1764 from the British Crown that included Tomoka State Park. By this time the Timucuan had abandoned the area and Nocoroco Point then became Mount Oswald, noted because the elevation and tree line was taller than the surrounding area. Slaves were brought to the plantation who were experienced in carpentry, indigo making, barrel making, blacksmith and agriculture. The lumber list included 1500 feet of one inch boards, 2500 feet of siding and 68,000 nails of different sizes. The plantation house was built on the point, with rice fields and indigo being farmed on what now makes up the 1500 acre Tomoka State Park.

In 2016 the Florida Department of Environmental Protection funded a project to permanently address the point erosion, thus preserving the rich history of Nocoroco and Mount Oswald. Through the project, a stabilized path was added for access. An eagle scout installed a bench and a kiosk which will tell the story of Tomoka Point.

This aerial photo taken by a drone shows the stabilization area.

