

Florida Restoration Area

Assessing Risk and Conducting Public Outreach to Reduce Vessel Strikes on Sea Turtles along Florida's Gulf Coast (preferred)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

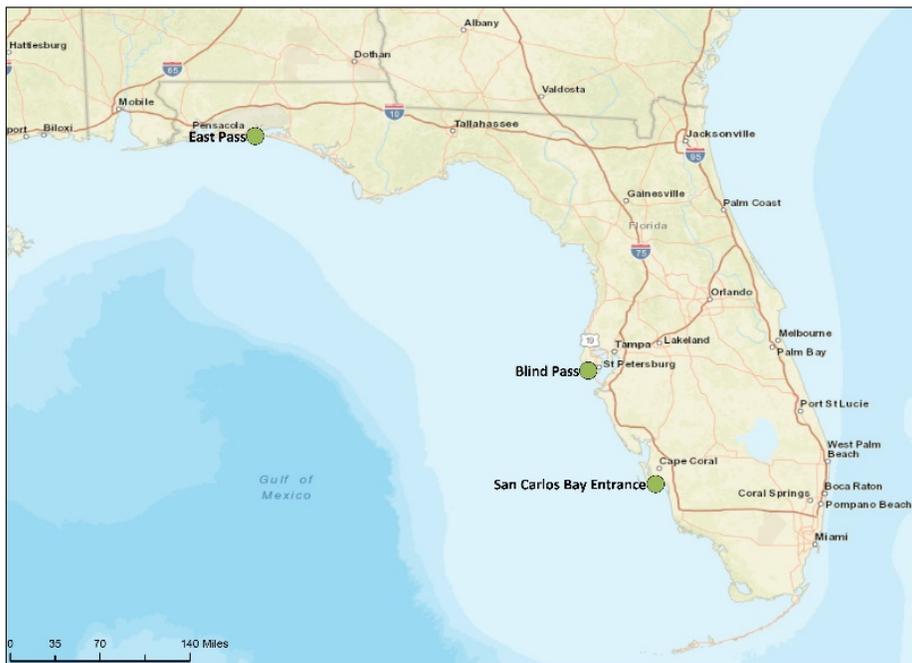
This project would work to reduce sea turtle mortality from injuries due to strikes by motorized watercraft at three Florida Gulf Coast locations. This multi-stage project would obtain information on the distribution of sea turtles and vessels in areas previously identified as hotspots of vessel strike mortality. It would then assess the willingness of local communities to change their behavior to reduce the risk of watercraft-related sea turtle mortality. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission would be the Implementing Trustee for this project.

RESTORATION TYPE

Sea Turtles

ESTIMATED COST

\$1,155,000



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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ONLINE RESOURCE

www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/restoration-areas/florida