

Florida Department of Environmental Protection Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection 2020 Program Updates

Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association September 17, 2020



Beaches moved to Ecosystem Programs!



Land and Recreation

- State Parks (175 parks and trails)
- State Lands (manages over 12 million acres of public lands)

Regulatory Programs

- Water Resource Management
- Waste Management
- Air Resource
 Management
- Law Enforcement/ Emergency Response
- Florida Geological Survey

Ecosystem Programs

- Resilience and Coastal Protection
- Environmental
 Assessment and
 Restoration
- Water Restoration Assistance
- Water Policy and Ecosystem Restoration



Coastal and Aquatic Managed Areas



- 42 Aquatic Preserves
- St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve
- 3 National Estuarine Research Reserves (NERR)
- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
- Coral Reef Conservation Program



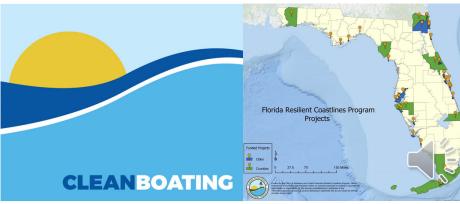
Central Office Program Areas



- Florida Coastal Management
- Offshore/Outer Continental Shelf
- Clean Boating and Clean Vessel Act
- Florida Resilient Coastlines
- Beach and Inlet Management







Program Updates

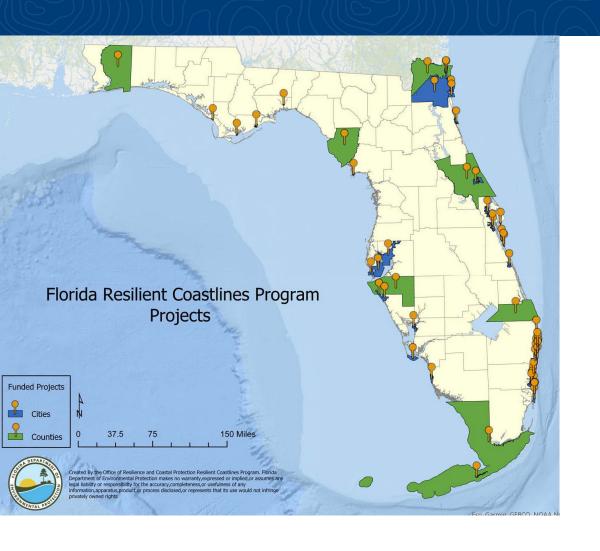


- Beach Field Services (BFS)
- Beach Management Funding Assistance (BMFA)
- Beaches, Inlets and Ports (BIP)
- Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL)
- Coastal Engineering and Geology (CEG)
- COVID response
- Hurricane Response



Resilient Coastlines Initiative





STATEWIDE INITIATIVES

- Coastal Resilience Forum
- Developing and piloting Adaptation Action Areas
- Technical assistance and planning documents

94 COMMUNITY PROJECTS

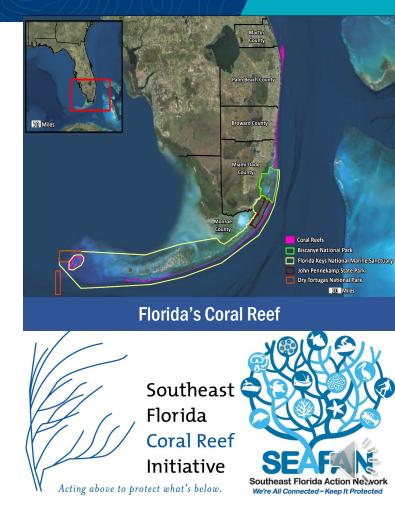
- Adaptation/Resilience
 Plans
- Vulnerability Assessments
- Living Shorelines
- Stormwater OutfallsSLIP Study Implementation



Coral Resilience and Disease Response



- DEP represents Florida on U.S. Coral Reef Task Force and U.S. All Islands Coral Reef Committee
- Leading response efforts to Stony Coral Tissue Loss Disease (SCTLD)
- Coral Reef Protection and Restoration Grant for community efforts to protect the coral reef https://protectingfloridatogether.gov/Grants
- Conserving Florida's Coral Reef https://floridascoralreef.org/



Nature Coast Aquatic Preserve



- First AP created in 31 years
- Citrus, Hernando and Pasco Counties
- 400,000 acres
- Outstanding Florida Water





