

# HARD CORALS LISTED AND PROPOSED UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA)



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## Legend

### Species Protected Under ESA

- × Presence of Staghorn or Elkhorn Coral

### Species Proposed for ESA Listing

Species Present (#)

- 1
- 2
- 3 - 6

- Southeast Florida Region
- Southeast Florida Bioregions
- Major River/Canal

**Coral Survey Data Sources:**  
The Nature Conservancy

National Coral Reef Institute

FWC Acropora Database

**Note:** Coral survey effort is not distributed evenly across the southeast Florida region. Areas without points are either unsurveyed areas or surveyed areas without coral present.

**ESA Background:** NOAA Fisheries proposed 7 coral species for ESA listing and reclassification of 2 species in Dec. 2012. Final determination on the listings is due by Dec. 2013.

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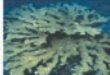


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## Coral Species Status


### Current Threatened (Proposed Endangered) Species

Staghorn Coral	<i>Acropora cervicornis</i>	
Elkhorn Coral	<i>Acropora palmata</i>	

### Proposed Endangered Species

Pillar coral	<i>Dendrogyra cylindrus</i>	
Lobed Star Coral	<i>Montastraea annularis</i>	
Mountainous Star Coral	<i>Montastraea faveolata</i>	
Knobby Star Coral	<i>Montastraea franksi</i>	
Rough Cactus Coral	<i>Mycetophyllia ferox</i>	

### Proposed Threatened Species

Lamarck's Sheet Coral	<i>Agaricia lamarcki</i>	
Elliptical Star Coral	<i>Dichocoenia stokesii</i>	