

Florida Department of Environmental Protection



Florida's Coral Reef Conservation Program & Coral Reef Protection Act

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DEP's Coral Program

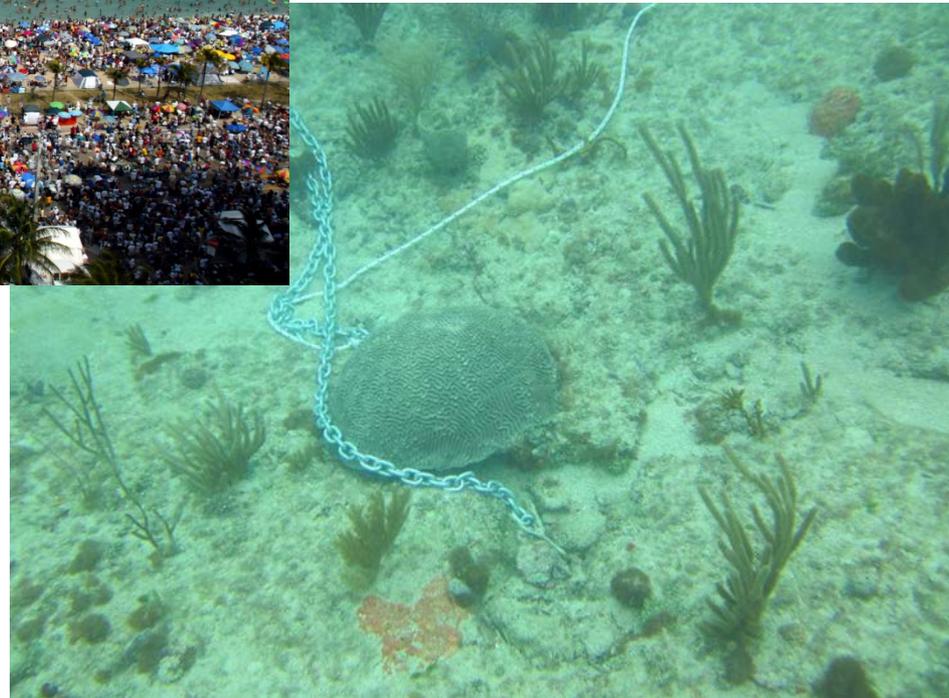




Why



Improve the health of the
Florida Reef Tract by
Reducing direct impacts





The Coral Reef Protection Act



RAPID RESPONSE AND RESTORATION FOR CORAL REEF INJURIES IN SOUTHEAST FLORIDA

Guidelines and Recommendations

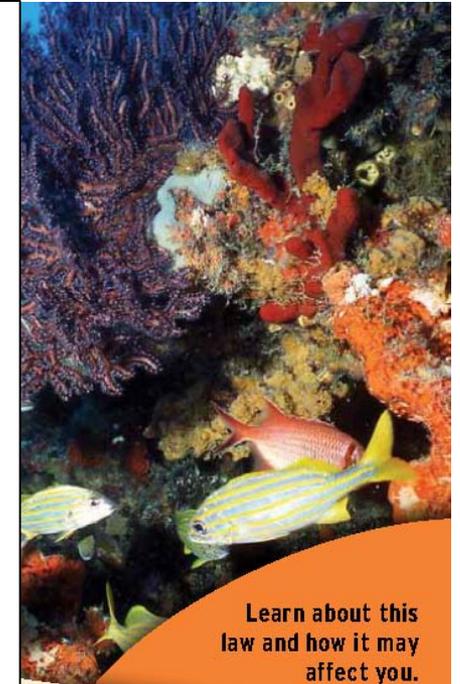


*A Maritime Industry and Coastal Construction Impacts Focus Area Project
of the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative*

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Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative
Acting above to protect what's below.

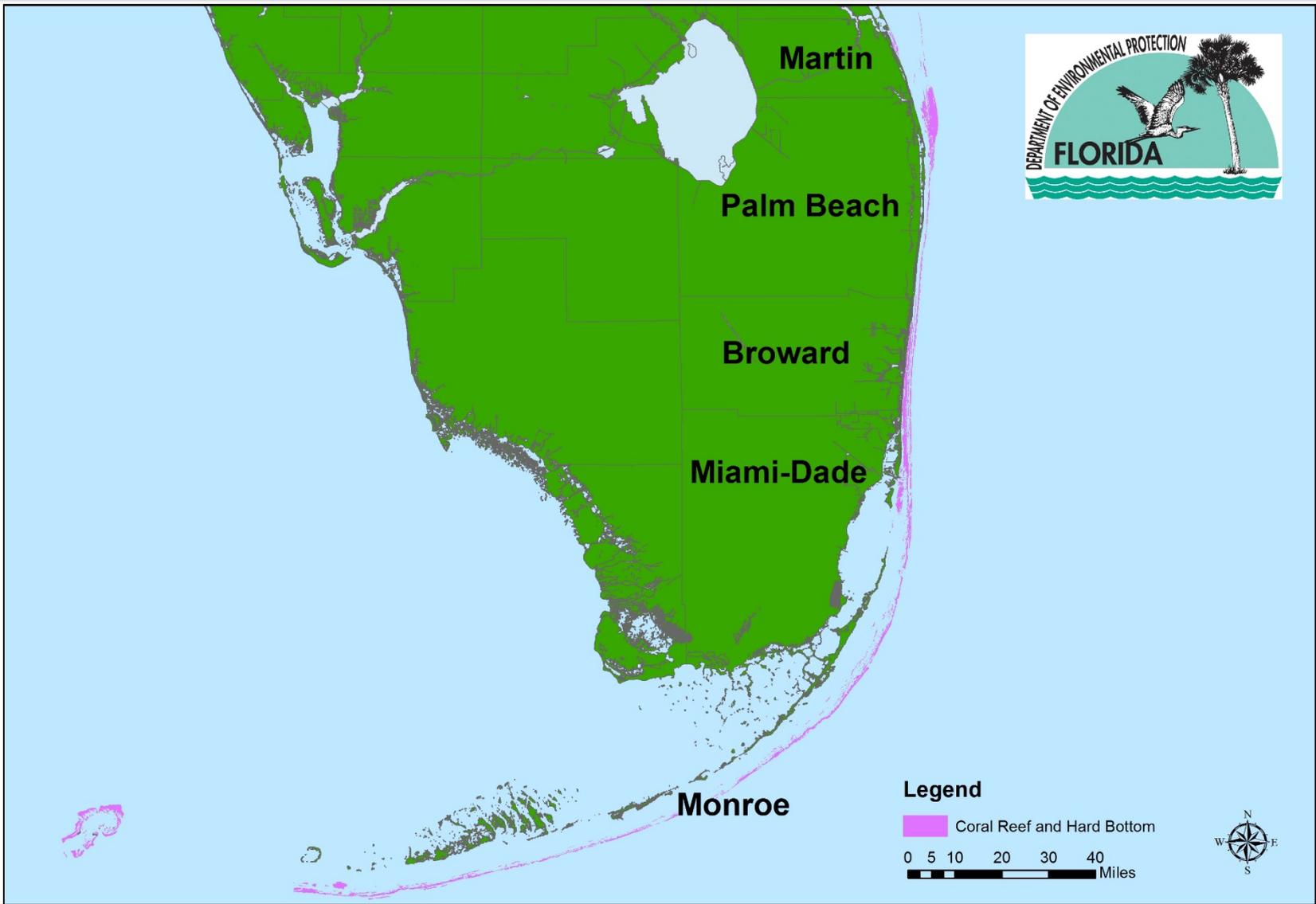


**Learn about this
law and how it may
affect you.**

FLORIDA'S
CORAL REEF
PROTECTION
ACT



Where





The Coral Reef Protection Act

ILLEGAL TO:

Anchor

Damage



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Polaris Applies Sciences, Inc.,



Implementation

FDEP can collect:

- Civil Penalties:
 - $\leq 1m^2 = \$150$ per m^2
 - To
 - $> 10m^2 = \$1,000$ per m^2

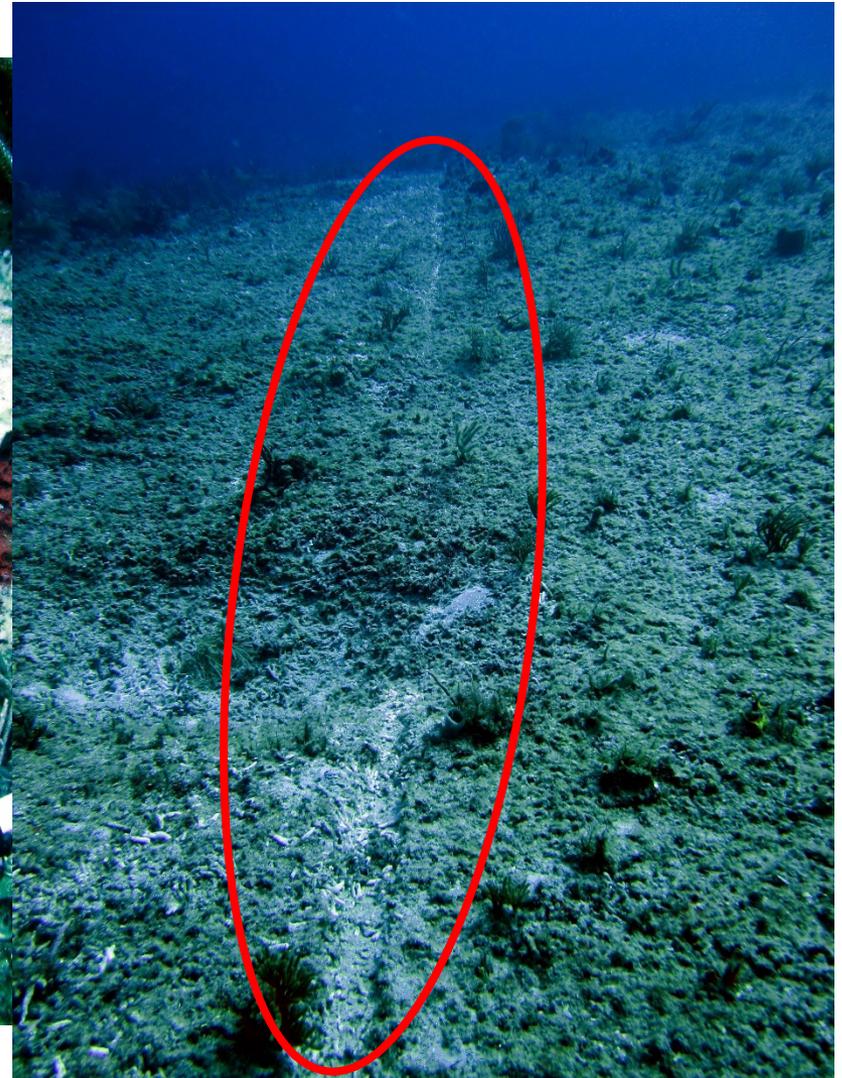
AND

- Compensatory Mitigation





Implementation





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Polaris Applies Sciences, Inc.,

Fund (EMRTF)

EMRTF Project

- Restoration at 2 Grounding Sites offshore Fort Lauderdale





What Can You Do?

See a Marine Incident?
Report It!

1-866-770-SEFL (7335)

www.SEAFFAN.net



Vessel Groundings



Anchor Damage



Fish Kill & Disease



Marine Debris



Thermoclines



Coral Disease & Bleaching



Algae Blooms



Discolored Water



Invasive Species



Other Incidents

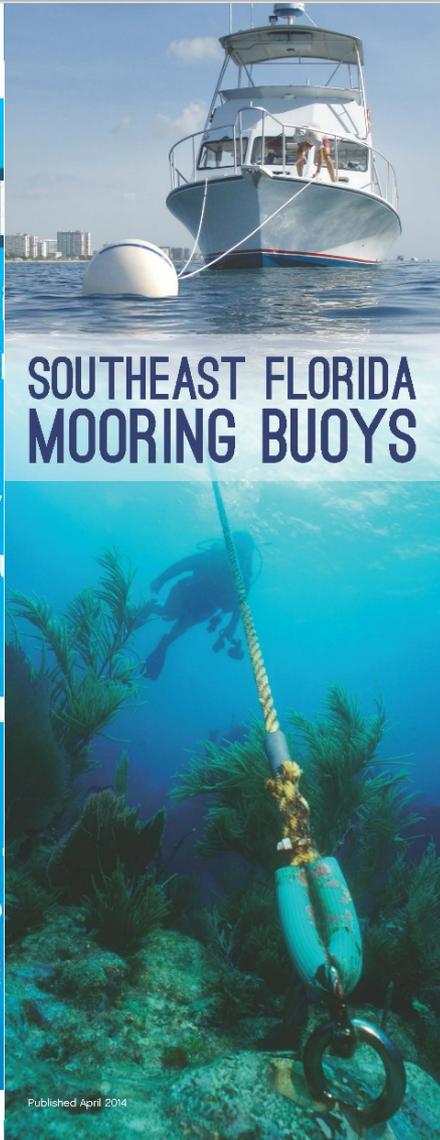
We're All Connected ~ Keep It Protected



Avoid Damage

VIEW SOUTHEAST FLO

1. Download the free Esri app on your smartphone or tablet from the app store.
2. Search for the map by using the search icon  and typing Southeast Florida Reef Locator.
3. Tap the Southeast Florida Reef Locator map to view.
4. To show your location, tap the compass icon . A blue dot indicating your location should appear on the map.



YOUR MOBILE DEVICE

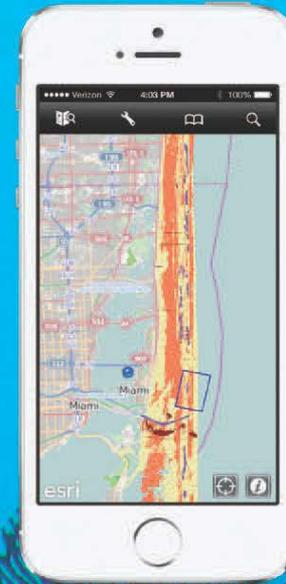


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Limitations

Enforcement





Limitations

Personnel

- Enforcement
- Program Support



Enforceability

- Difficult to enforce above water
- Designated areas?

