

Strategic Coral Reef Management Goals and Objectives for the SEFCRI Region

These goals and objectives were developed by SEFCRI team members, FDEP CRCP staff and other coral reef managers in Florida and are identified in 3 strategic documents: Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative A Local Action Strategy (FDEP CRCP, 2004); Florida's Coral Reef Management Priorities 2010-2015 (NOAA, 2010); Coral Reef Conservation Program 2011-2016 Strategic Plan (FDEP CRCP, 2011)

Land Based Sources of Pollution			
Reference Number	Management Goals	Management Objectives	Source Document
FL Priorities Goal C1	Reduce pollutant loading to south Florida coastal waters		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C1 Obj 1		<p>Minimize the impacts of reduced water quality associated with controlled freshwater deliveries and coastal construction activities on coastal, estuarine and lagoonal habitats (i.e., seagrass, oyster, mangrove, hardbottom and coral reef communities). Irregularly timed, high volume releases of fresh water into the marine and estuarine coastal systems can carry excessive nutrient and pollutant loads and are detrimental to coastal habitats and biota.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Modify the timing, process of delivery and water quality of storm and flood control releases to minimize nutrient and contaminant loading as well as the rate and magnitude of water quality changes in receiving waters. ▪ Minimize water quality degradation associated with coastal construction activities. 	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C1 Obj 4		Eliminate the use of septic tanks by providing sanitary sewer infrastructure in order to reduce nutrient and pharmaceutical product loading to groundwater.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C1 Obj 7		Engage the South Florida Water Management District and Army Corps of Engineers at a high level to consider impacts of all flood control activities on coastal resources (i.e., coral reef and associated estuarine resources).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FL Priorities Goal C2	Restore and preserve coastal estuarine habitats that aid in naturally improving water quality and support the life histories of coral reef biota.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C2 Obj 1		Focus existing land acquisition programs such as Florida Forever on acquiring properties aimed at preserving and restoring coastal and wetland habitats to benefit coral reefs.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C2 Obj 2		Provide incentives through the regulatory process for restoring and preserving wetlands associated with the coastal watershed.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C2 Obj 3		Facilitate and encourage partnerships to access and coordinate restoration program grants and other related funds.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C2 Obj 4		Protect living shorelines and implement a program to help maintain their ecological value and to contain runoff from uplands in areas where natural wetland buffers have been eliminated through coastal construction activities.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C3	Educate the public and elected officials on the need to maintain coral reef habitats and coastal water quality. This includes opportunities for economic development in tourism and recreation.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C3 Obj 1		Develop an education program for elected officials to impress the need for the activities defined in this document and the environmental and socioeconomic value of southeast Florida's coral reefs and associated habitats. Emphasis shall be placed on the watershed concept and need for environmentally suitable flood-control measures.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C3 Obj 3		Develop an education and outreach strategy that identifies the target audience, based on abatement measures and mechanisms for delivering to them the information required for wide-scale adoption.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FL Priorities Goal C3 Obj 4		Establish appropriate coastal construction guidelines and educate the public and elected officials on the need to consider the impacts of coastal construction.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C4	Regulatory policy shall use coastal water quality impacts to reefs as one of the bases for review.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C4 Obj 3		Build capacity and develop interagency procedures and protocols within coral reef management agencies along the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem to effectively participate in planning review and permitting processes for development, coastal construction and water-management projects and initiatives.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C4 Obj 4		Improve consistency and level of enforcement of current rules and regulations.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal C4 Obj 5		Develop and implement new legislation to reduce the quantities and impacts of land-based sources of pollution entering the coastal environment.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal B	Reduce chronic and acute stressors to reef health from land-based sources of pollution and impacts from boating, fishing, diving, and other uses.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem		Reduce the impacts of land-based sources of pollution on the Florida Reef Tract.	FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
SEFCRI LAS LBSP Issue 4 Goal	Reduce the impacts of land-based sources of pollution to the coral reef ecosystem.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS LBSP Issue 4 Goal Obj 2		Design activities to reduce pollution from the highest priority sources of pollution.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

SEFCRI LAS LBSP Issue 4 Goal Obj 3		Initiate the implementation of engineering/management actions to reduce pollution from the highest priority sources.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS LBSP Issue 5 Goal	Increase public awareness and understanding of the effects of land-based sources of pollution on water quality and coral reefs.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

Fishing, Diving and Other Uses

Reference Number	Management Goals	Management Objectives	Source Document
FL Priorities Goal D1	Develop and implement conservation programs to increase the size, abundance and protection, as appropriate, of coral reef species (both fish and invertebrates), including targeted species critical to reef health and ecological function, such as, but not limited to, game species and organisms collected for aquaria.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D1 Obj 3		Support and enhance current efforts to update existing stock assessments, eventually developing appropriate criteria to guide harvest regulations (i.e., Maximum Sustainable Yield, Optimal Sustainable Yield). This would include zoning strategies and the potential use of no-take marine areas as well as appropriate legislation to affect those zoning strategies and regulations.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D1 Obj 5		Develop strategy to formalize coordination among fisheries management and regulatory agencies.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FL Priorities Goal D2	Reduce physical marine benthic impacts from recreational and commercial activities and marine debris.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D2 Obj 1		Reduce benthic habitat impacts by implementing, among other actions, appropriate marine zoning (i.e., the potential use of no-take zones, no-anchor zones, no-motor zones, mooring buoy systems) and by providing education and enforcement in sensitive, unique or highly productive habitat areas.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D2 Obj 2		Reduce misuse of recreational and commercial fishing gear by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Establishing gear-restrictive zones in areas with sensitive benthic resources. ▪ Requiring education programs regarding natural resources to obtain commercial and recreational fishing license. ▪ Enforcing existing standards for illegal gear. ▪ Reviewing and establishing BMPs for commercial activities. ▪ Reviewing rules and guidelines for activities on or around coral reefs. 	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D2 Obj 3		Develop a centrally located volunteer-based marine-debris reporting and removal program.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D3	Improve the efficacy of law enforcement activities.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D3 Obj 1		Obtain additional resources (e.g., staff, equipment, statutory authority).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D3 Obj 2		Implement regular interagency law enforcement coordination activities (e.g., cross-deputization, review/updating of law enforcement authorities/capacity, etc.).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D3 Obj 3		Improve education and outreach programs as they pertain to fishing/diving/boating regulations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Example: Expand Biscayne National Park's Fisheries Awareness Program to the rest of the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem. 	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D3 Obj 4		Through interagency coordination efforts, establish regional consistency standards and communication efforts for fisheries, diving and boating regulations (e.g., central Web site, standard format for brochures, etc.).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FL Priorities Goal D3 Obj 5		Develop a Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem law enforcement training program specific to reef-related regulations and resources for all agencies.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D4	Reduce physical marine benthic impacts from recreational and commercial diving and boating.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D4 Obj 1		Reduce benthic habitat impacts by implementing, among other actions, the potential use of no-take zones, no-anchor zones, no-motor zones, mooring buoy systems, education, etc.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D4 Obj 2		Develop new educational programs to inform the public and change boating and diving practices that impact reefs.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D4 Obj 3		Implement a statewide licensing/permit system for boating and/or using coral-reef resources.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D4 Obj 4		Expand the Florida Keys' "Blue Star" recognition program for dive shops and operators to the rest of the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem. (Note: Include education component regarding exotic species and proper reporting methods.)	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D5	Review existing and establish new guidelines to minimize aquaculture impacts on coral reefs.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D5 Obj 1		Develop appropriate siting criteria that include appropriate buffers between natural areas.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D5 Obj 3		Implement existing and, as necessary, develop new emergency procedures for escapees and natural disasters (e.g., hurricanes, disease outbreaks, exotic species recapture, etc.).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal D5 Obj 4		Implement requirements for sustainable feed operations and waste removal, and limit potential for genetic impacts.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Obj 4		Reduce impacts from extractive and non-extractive recreational and commercial uses.	FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 1 Goal	Increase compliance with Florida fishing regulations regarding seasonal closures, size limits, catch limits, gear restrictions and protected marine life.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 1 Goal Obj 1		Develop a strategy to optimize law enforcement effectiveness in the SEFCRI geographic region.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 1 Goal Obj 3		Establish a non-law enforcement presence on the water for awareness and voluntary compliance of regulations.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 1 Goal Obj 4		Coordinate goals, objectives and actions with existing management organizations to maximize resources.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 2 Goal	Balance all fishing and recreational activities within sustainable limits of the reef ecosystem to minimize user conflicts, provide equitable uses, protect the coral reef ecosystem and ensure optimal benefits to present and future generations.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 2 Goal Obj 6		Develop and effective, balanced, and comprehensive management strategy for improved resource protection	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal	Minimize indirect impacts on the reef ecosystem and its living marine resources from recreational and commercial use. Reduce improper waste disposal by recreational users by 50%		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 1		Reduce improper solid waste disposal.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 2		Reduce anchor damage by developing a mooring buoy system for the SEFCRI geographic region.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 3		Reduce sewage from commercial and recreational boating activities by establishing free boat sewage pump-out stations.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 4		Increase the understanding and practice by recreational divers of non-destructive diving practices.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 5		Identify, assess and reduce other indirect boating impacts (e.g. reduce sea turtle strikes during offshore boat races conducted in the nesting season).	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal	Ensure reef ecosystems are not harmed or degraded by artificial reefs through proper planning, development and deployment of artificial reefs and development and implementation of long-term management and monitoring programs.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS FDOU Issue 3 Goal Obj 1		Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of artificial reefs and determine if and when the optimum, or maximum, number and coverage of artificial reefs has been reached for the SEFCRI geographic region.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

Maritime Industry and Coastal Construction/ Coastal Development

Reference Number	Management Goals	Management Objectives	Source Document
FL Priorities Goal A1 Obj 3		Establish a regulatory coordination committee under the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem Management Council (proposed) within three to five years. Determine whether there is a need for a new streamlined clearinghouse style process for local, state and federal permit review, compliance and enforcement to enhance coordination and consistency, or how existing processes might be retooled to achieve the same results. Promote sustainable coastal development to minimize impacts to the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem. Use independent experts to review regulatory projects and decisions.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal C	Minimize and, where possible, eliminate localized human- induced habitat destruction from maritime industry and coastal construction activities.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Obj 5		Support efforts to reduce coastal development impacts on coral reefs and associated reef resources (e.g. vegetated sand dunes, wetlands, mangroves, etc.) and improve mitigation efficacy.	FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 1 Goal	Protect coral systems from impacts associated with projects and activities in and around the reef tracts of southeast Florida.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 1 Goal Obj 1		Review, revise, implement and enforce existing regulations which protect coral reefs, inclusive of funding issues and resources. Increase effectiveness of permit conditions to protect coral communities, and increase efficiency of regulatory review.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 1 Goal Obj 2		Avoid and minimize impacts on coral reef ecosystems from dredge and fill activities and infrastructure (pipelines, outfalls, cables) installation on coral reef ecosystems. Reduce the aerial extent of project-related impacts.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 1 Goal Obj 3		Eliminate ship anchoring, grounding and other impacts to southeast Florida coral reefs and hard bottoms. Identify anchorages containing reef area for modification, and increase in utilization of detailed management practices.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 2 Goal	Change coastal development and construction practices in ways that protect marine and estuarine habitats.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 2 Goal Obj 1		Facilitate information transfer to improve protection of coral resources. Demonstrate avoidance and minimization of impacts to coral resources at the project planning stage.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 3 Goal	Develop and implement marine and estuarine habitat restoration.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 3 Goal Obj 1		Coordinate among agencies for procedures and methods to decrease the time between coral reef injuries and initiation of reef organism salvage.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 3 Goal Obj 3		Evaluate and promote stable, durable, and environmentally appropriate artificial reef construction. Artificial reef construction that does not adversely affect natural marine habitats.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 4 Goal	Ensure compliance with regulatory requirements (including special conditions) by increasing compliance review and enforcement actions.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 4 Goal Obj 1		Modify agency policies and focus related to compliance and enforcement efforts to reduce non-compliance with marine habitat protection regulatory requirements, and increase resources dedicated toward compliance and enforcement related activities.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS MICCI Issue 4 Goal Obj 2		Increase the awareness of industry representatives and the public on the benefits (monetary and environmental) of compliance with regulations. Develop and deliver a workshop program about the purpose and benefits of regulatory compliance.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
Climate Change			
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FL Priorities Goal B3 Obj 3		Identify areas of perceived resilience (i.e., high coral cover and abundance) and areas of high vulnerability (which may or may not contain high coral cover/abundance) within the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem and provide additional protection to those areas via appropriate marine zoning and reduction of existing stressors (e.g., land-based sources of pollution, beach nourishment, etc.).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Goal E	Support initiatives that improve understanding, and reduce the potential impacts, of climate change, with emphasis on efforts in Florida.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal E	Reduce cumulative stressors to coral reefs that weaken reef resistance and resilience to climate change.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan

Education and Outreach

Reference Number	Management Goals	Management Objectives	Source Document
FL Priorities Goal A2 Obj 1		Implement a broad marketing campaign to brand the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem within three to five years.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Goal A	Encourage improved coral reef conservation through increased public awareness, appreciation and community support.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Goal B	Support strengthened governance to support effective coral reef management goals by informing elected officials and decision makers about the importance of, and threats to, coral reefs.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Goal C	Increase understanding of the connection between coral reefs, watersheds, human activities, and human welfare.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan

FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Goal D	Improve environmental stewardship and encourage sustainable development and non-consumptive resource use in southeast Florida.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Obj 1		Build upon the existing CRCP Education and Outreach Program to expand coral reef awareness and protection with emphasis on, but not limited to: - Expanding upon existing land-based sources of pollution education and outreach efforts. - Incorporating the latest science about climate change and ocean acidification into education and outreach activities. - Increasing awareness of applicable local, state and federal regulations. - Integrating monitoring data results into education and outreach strategies to inform stakeholders about impacts on resources and recommended abatement measures.	FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP Education and Outreach Obj 2		Work with local municipalities to establish higher environmental standards (e.g. greening programs, water reuse, sewage treatment, etc.).	FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 1 Goal	Increase the effectiveness and decrease duplication of coral reef education and outreach efforts in southeast Florida.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 1 Obj 1		Conduct an inventory to compile existing coral reef outreach and education programs, products and points of contact being utilized in southeast Florida.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 1 Obj 2		Develop and conduct a needs assessment utilizing a representative sample of Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach and Martin counties' residents, visitors and specific groups that use the coral reef (e.g. fishers, divers, boaters, surfers) to identify effective messages and tools based on: (1) existing citizen knowledge, values, and practices related to coral reef ecology and conservation and, (2) citizens preferred method of receiving information.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Goal	Increase awareness and appreciation of the coral reef ecosystem to the residents and visitors of southeast Florida.		SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 1		Develop a marketing campaign about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI. The developed campaign will reach 50% of the media outlets (radio, TV, newspaper) in the 4-county area.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 2		Develop a campaign targeting decision-makers and elected officials about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 3		Develop a campaign targeting tourists about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI based on the results of the needs assessment in Issue 1.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 4		Develop materials on the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI for distribution to the general public using the existing environmental education network (e.g. environmental centers, hotels/motels, outreach efforts, etc.).	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 5		Develop a campaign targeting the dive industry in the 4-county area about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI based on the results of the needs assessment in Issue 1.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 6		Develop a campaign targeting the recreational boating industry in the 4-county area about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI based on the results of the needs assessment in Issue 1.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 7		Develop a campaign targeting the fishing industry in the 4-county area about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI based on the results of the needs assessment in Issue 1.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy
SEFCRI LAS AA Issue 2 Obj 8		Develop a campaign targeting youth in the 4-county area about the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem and the SEFCRI.	SEFCRI Local Action Strategy

Other Strategic Management Goals and Objectives

FL Priorities Goal A1	Manage the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem using an ecosystem-based approach, including zoning/marine spatial planning and other appropriate tools.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A1 Obj 1		Create a Florida Reef Management Council within three years to oversee a coordinated ecosystem-based management approach for the entire Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem (spanning the full range of reef habitats and associated reef resources from the Dry Tortugas to Stuart, including the backcountry Gulfside of the Keys).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A1 Obj 2		Develop and implement a comprehensive zoning plan for the entire Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem and implement through placed-based entities and management plans within three to five years.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A1 Obj 3		Establish a regulatory coordination committee under the Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem Management Council within three to five years.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A1 Obj 4		Enhance law enforcement capacity of the managing agencies within three to five years.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A2	Build political will and public support to establish the governing policies and administrative structure needed to make reef conservation a priority for Florida.		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A4	Improve coordinated emergency response to disturbance events and restoration of reef injuries (e.g., vessel groundings, invasive species outbreaks, algal blooms, bleaching, disease outbreaks, hurricane damage, etc.).		Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)

FL Priorities Goal A4 Obj 1		Create and sustain an emergency response team to take action anywhere along the reef tract within three years (model after Florida Reef Resilience Program's [FRRP's] Disturbance Response Monitoring [DRM]).	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A4 Obj 2		Create a cross-agency legal team to coordinate settlement and restoration activities among multiple agencies within one year.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FL Priorities Goal A4 Obj 3		Create consistent standards and best management practices for primary restoration and compensatory mitigation projects across the entire Florida Reef Tract and Ecosystem to be implemented by responsible parties within one year.	Florida Coral Reef Management Priorities (NOAA)
FDEP CRCP CRCP Capacity Goal B	Contribute to the management of the Florida Reef Tract as a holistic system.		FDEP CRCP Strategic Plan
FDEP CRCP CRCP Capacity Goal C	Identify and implement management options for southeast Florida's reefs that include appropriate statutory authority to accomplish CRCP's mission. (Linked to Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal A.)		
FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal A	Develop and implement an adaptive management plan for the southeast Florida coral reef ecosystem to protect, and where possible, restore natural marine habitats, populations and ecological processes. (Linked to CRCP Capacity Goal C.)		

<p>FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal D</p>	<p>Support the development and implementation of a comprehensive network of management options, potentially including marine protected areas or zones, across the Florida Reef Tract to enable reef recovery within protected areas and support system-wide reef recovery and resilience to local and global stressors.</p>		
<p>FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal F</p>	<p>Recommend and support new or strengthened local, state, and federal regulations and enforcement capacity to protect coral reefs.</p>		
<p>FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Goal G</p>	<p>Work with local, state and federal regulatory agencies to improve agency coordination and compliance with, and enforcement of, existing laws (e.g. Clean Water Act, fisheries regulations, Endangered Species Act listings and associated rules, Coral Reef Protection Act, etc.).</p>		
<p>FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Obj 6</p>		<p>Increase capacity to prevent and respond to coral reef injuries associated with vessel impacts and non-regulated activities.</p>	

FDEP CRCP Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Obj 7		Support and, where possible, strengthen agency capacity and authorities to conserve coral reefs.	
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