



Summer 2014

Coral Reef Conservation Program Update

Changes in Coral Program Staff

Jamie Monty
Manager, Coral Reef Conservation Program

As I'm sure many of you have heard, we've had some changes to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP) Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP) staff recently.

First, Christopher Boykin, our long-time Awareness and Appreciation Coordinator, recently left the agency and took the position of Executive Director of the Pelican Harbor Seabird Station. I am pleased to announce that Ana Zangroniz has joined our team as the new...

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CRCP Introduces Experienced and Energetic New Staff

CRCP Staff

In June, CRCP said goodbye to Jena Sansgaard as our Reef Injury Prevention and Response (RIPR) Coordinator. As RIPR Coordinator, Jena was instrumental in streamlining the reef injury response process by organizing protocols and conducting yearly trainings. She also created important educational products that will aid in reef injury prevention, while increasing awareness of the Coral Reef Protection Act (CRPA) through active outreach to the local boating community....

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DEP Coral Program and Partners Begin Third Year of Reef Visual Census Surveys

Kristina Trotta
Field and Administrative Assistant



In June, the CRCP began the summer field season by collecting data for the Reef Visual Census (RVC) project, which is now in its third year. This project is a cooperative effort to collect information about reef fish and their habitats, which is shared among many

SEFCRI REPORTS

You can view all of the completed project reports and work products online.

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Reef Injury Prevention and Response Update

PALM BEACH COUNTY CORAL REEF INJURY CASE CLOSURE:

Melissa Sathe
Reef Injury Prevention & Response Assistant



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Florida's New

CORAL REEF PROTECTION ACT

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Other Programs

partners across our four county region, including Miami-Dade County, NOAA Southeast Fisheries Science Center, Nova Southeastern University, Broward County and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation...

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Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative Update

COUSTEAU EXPLORES MIAMI CORAL REEF WITH DEP PARTNERS

Christopher Boykin
Awareness and Appreciation Project Coordinator



The Florida Department of Environmental Protection and its Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative partners landed the support of a world-renowned diver and environmental advocate for the "Our Florida Reefs" campaign.

Philippe Cousteau Jr., the grandson of legendary Jacques Cousteau, recorded a 30-second public service announcement...

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The "Our Florida Reefs" Community Planning Process is in Full Swing

Meghan Balling
Fishing, Diving and Other Uses Coordinator



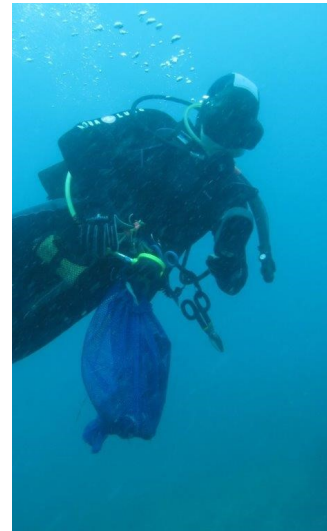
After years of collaborative data gathering and preparation, the "Our Florida Reefs" community planning process is now in full swing. The largest undertaking of the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative (SEFCRI) to date, this project brings together stakeholders with a

vested interest in the future of Florida's coral reef ecosystem to develop recommendations for a comprehensive management strategy that balances the use and protection of southeast Florida's...

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[CRCP and Dive Businesses Host Citizen Science Opportunities](#)

Karen Bohnsack
Southeast Florida Action
Network Coordinator



UPCOMING MEETINGS

You can view the schedule for meetings, workshops, meeting summaries and more for the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Coral Reef Conservation Program online.

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