

## Florida Restoration Area

# Reducing Threats to Sea Turtles Through Removal of In-water Marine Debris along Florida's Gulf Coast (preferred)

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project involves reducing the threat and impacts of marine debris (e.g., entanglement, entrapment, ingestion) to sea turtle species along Florida's Gulf Coast. The primary focus would be on in-water derelict fishing gear (e.g., monofilament fishing line, nets, trap/pot gear, other recreational/commercial fishing equipment) that has been lost, abandoned, or discarded. This project would support actions identified in the [Florida Marine Debris Reduction Plan](#). The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission would be the Implementing Trustee for this project.

### RESTORATION TYPE

Sea Turtles

### ESTIMATED COST

\$3,667,400



### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact the Florida Gulf Coast Public Affairs Manager

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### ONLINE RESOURCE

[www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/restoration-areas/florida](http://www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/restoration-areas/florida)