

Commercial Fishing Online Quiz

What species are covered under the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and Incidental Take Permit (ITP)?

- A. Bald eagles, Anastasia Island Beach Mice, Manatees
- B. Sea Turtles, Anastasia Island Beach Mice
- C. Pelicans, Least Terns, Sea Turtles
- D. All of the above

What is the purpose of the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and Incidental Take Permit (ITP)?

- A. To allow sea turtles to nest on St. Johns County beaches
- B. The purpose is to allow beach user groups the capacity to drive where they want when they want
- C. To minimize negative impacts to protected species by improving the management of existing lawful activities.
- D. To decrease protected species management

What agency regulates the Endangered Species Act?

- A. Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)
- B. St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD)
- C. Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
- D. United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

When do sea turtle hatchlings typically hatch from their nest?

- A. When all of the vehicles and people have left the beach
- B. At night time when all beachfront property homes turn their lights on
- C. At night when conditions have cooled

Sea turtles will return to their natal beach to lay more eggs.

- A. True
- B. False

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Which animal is the only mammal native to Anastasia Island?

- A. Leatherback sea turtle
- B. Right Whale
- C. Gopher Tortoise
- D. Anastasia Island Beach Mouse

Beach Mice inhabit dune systems and help stabilize the dunes by storing seeds in their burrows.

- A. True
- B. False

Beach driving, commercial fishing, horseback riding, and beach front lighting all can have negative impacts to sea turtles and beach mice.

- A. True
- B. False

Please choose the following correct definition for the Conservation Zone:

- A. 15 feet seaward of the toe of the dune all pedestrian activities are allowed
- B. The conservation zone only exist on driving beaches
- C. No sitting, standing, storing personal property, driving, parking, or horseback riding are allowed with 15 feet of the toe of the dune
- D. All of the above

From May 1 – October 31 vehicle access to drive and park on County beaches from 5:00 am to 10:00 pm can be obtained at which authorized locations?

- A. Vilano and Fort Matanzas Ramps
- B. Crescent Beach and Fort Matanzas Ramps
- C. St. Augustine Beach and Mickler’s Landing Park
- D. All of the above

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Fill in the blank. Upon approaching a sea turtle nest I must drive on the _____ side of the nest to avoid disturbance or crushing of the incubating hatchlings.

- A. Landward
- B. Seaward
- C. In the dunes
- D. All of the above

The speed limit on the beach is always 10 mph.

- A. True
- B. False

When approaching a large number of resting shorebirds I should slow down and/or drive around to avoid disturbance.

- A. True
- B. False

Which of the following areas will a “washback” hatchling most likely be found?

- A. Resting in the sea oats
- B. Walking down the street
- C. Resting in or on the wrack line (the line of seaweed that washes up after a large storm event)
- D. All of the above

A stranded sea turtle is when one washes up sick or dead.

- A. True
- B. False

How can you help protect our beaches and the creatures that live there?

- A. Take only pictures, Leave only footprints
- B. Participate in organized beach cleanups
- C. Maintain a safe distance from environmentally sensitive species (Both plants and animals)
- D. All of the above

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