

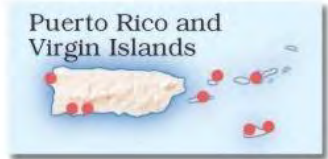
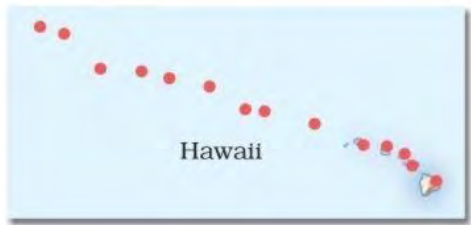


CELEBRATING A  
**CENTURY**  
of CONSERVATION

*Mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System – To administer a national network of lands and waters for the conservation, management and where appropriate, restoration of the fish, wildlife, and plant resources and their habitats within the United States for the benefit of present and future generations of Americans.*



### NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM



Red dot = National Wildlife Refuge

# NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IMPROVEMENT ACT - 1997

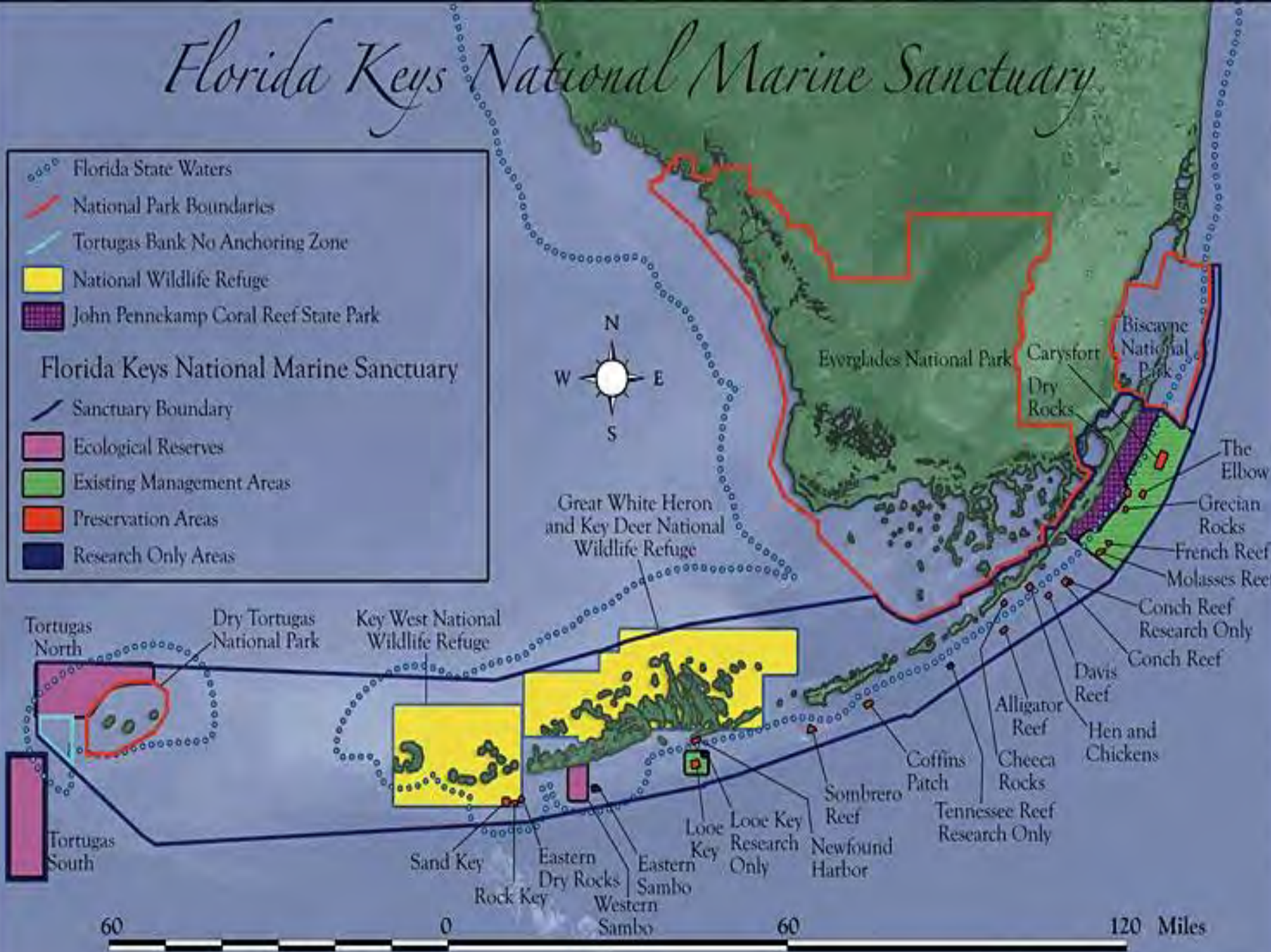
- Fish and Wildlife Services first Organic Act  
Habitat and wildlife management is the Service's primary responsibility
- Refuges must maintain biological integrity
- Comprehensive Conservation Plans
- Six priority public uses – hunting, fishing, photography, wildlife and wildlands observation, interpretation, and environmental education.  
Compatible with the purpose of the refuge.

# Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary

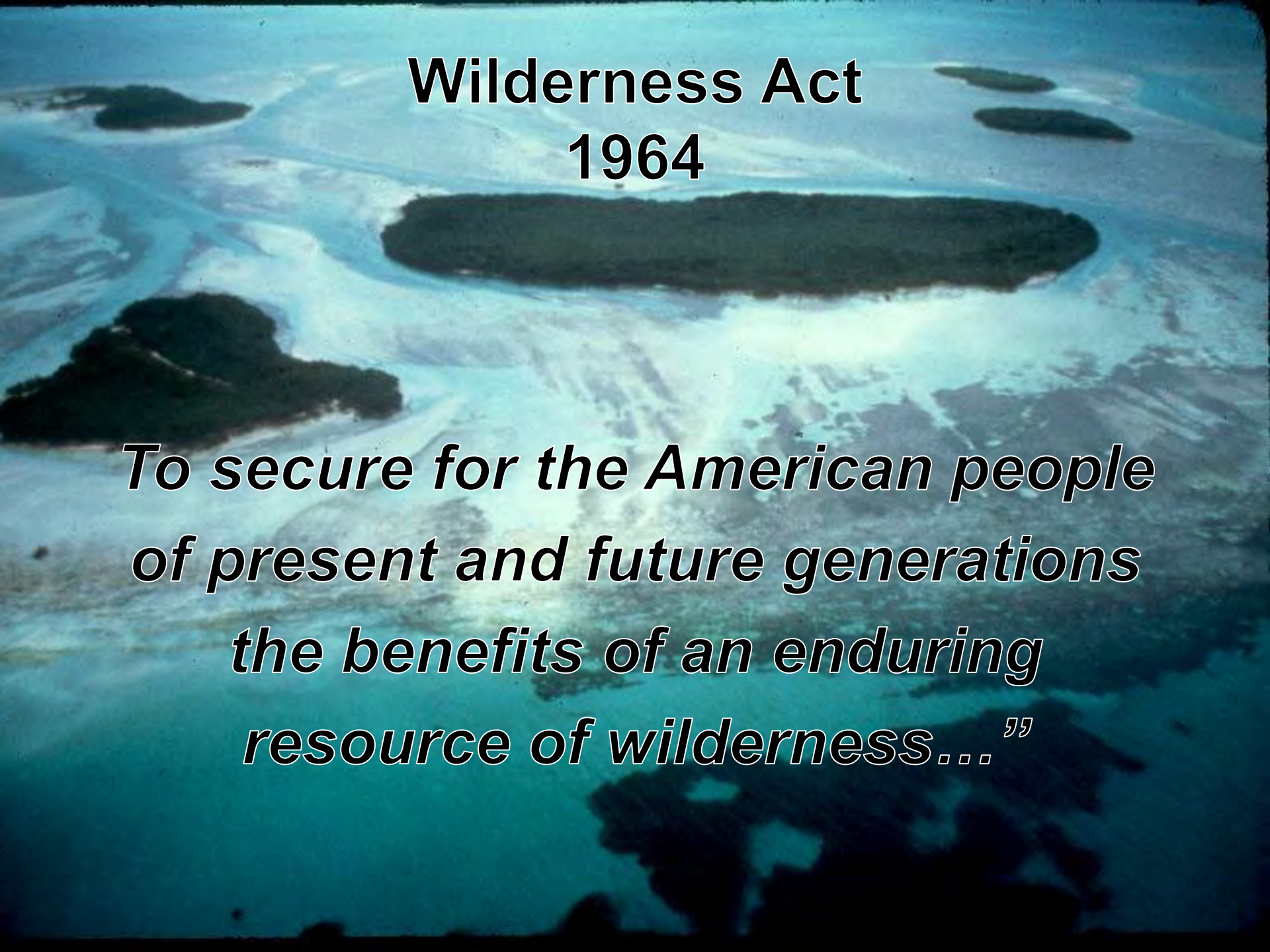
-  Florida State Waters
-  National Park Boundaries
-  Tortugas Bank No Anchoring Zone
-  National Wildlife Refuge
-  John Pennkamp Coral Reef State Park

**Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary**

-  Sanctuary Boundary
-  Ecological Reserves
-  Existing Management Areas
-  Preservation Areas
-  Research Only Areas



60 0 60 120 Miles



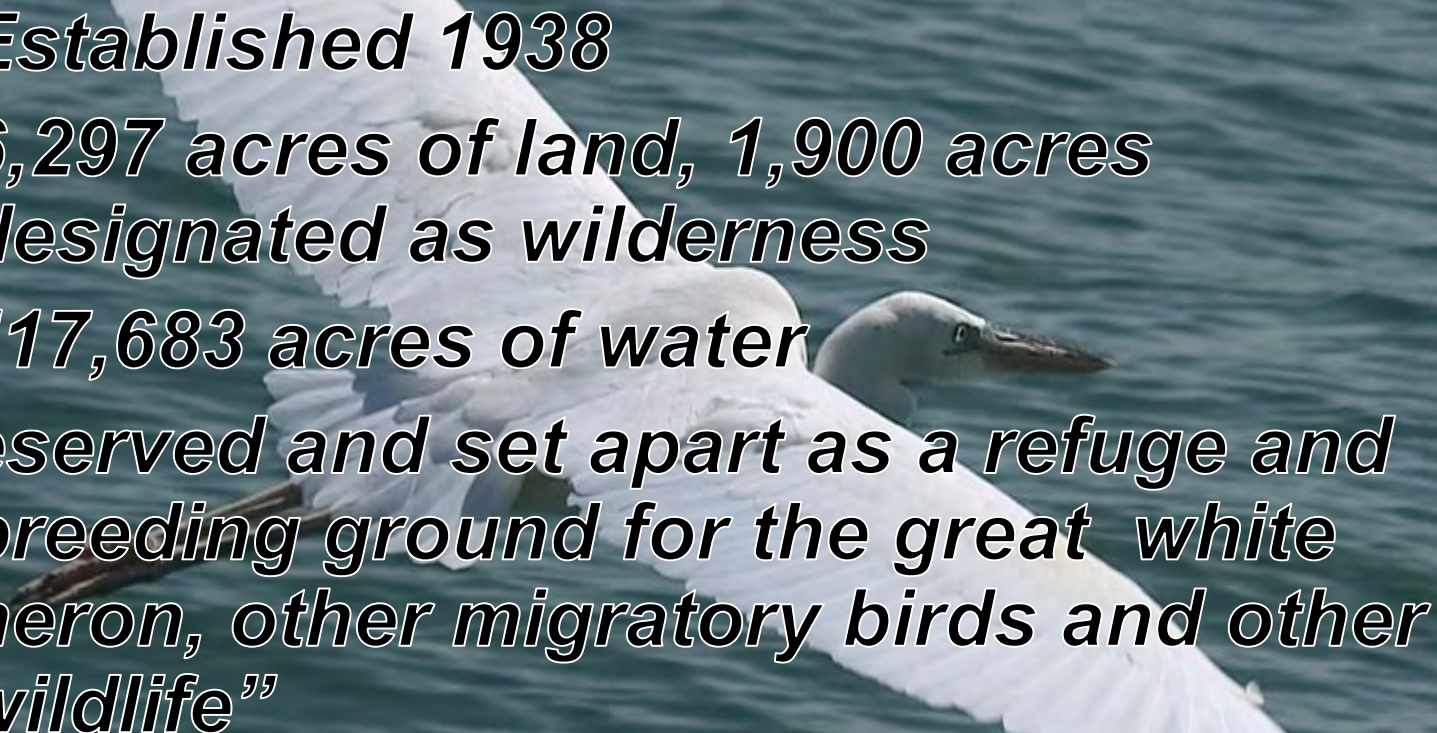
# Wilderness Act 1964

*To secure for the American people  
of present and future generations  
the benefits of an enduring  
resource of wilderness...”*

# Key West National Wildlife Refuge

- *Established 1908*
- *2,019 acres of land designated as wilderness*
- *208,308 acres of water*
- *“reserved and set aside as a breeding ground for birds...”*

# Great White Heron National Wildlife Refuge

- *Established 1938*
  - *6,297 acres of land, 1,900 acres designated as wilderness*
  - *117,683 acres of water*
- “reserved and set apart as a refuge and breeding ground for the great white heron, other migratory birds and other wildlife”*
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- A Great White Heron is shown in flight, its long neck extended forward and its wings fully spread. The bird is white with a long, straight beak. It is flying over a body of water with small, dark ripples. The background is a clear, light blue sky.











# National Key Deer Refuge

- Established 1957
- Approximately 8,700 acres of land
- Approximately 76,000 acres of water

*“Protect and preserve in the national interest, the Key deer and other wildlife resources in the Florida Keys...”*







# Crocodile Lake National Wildlife Refuge



- *Established 1980 - ~6,700 acres*
- *“ ...to conserve fish or wildlife [or plants] which are listed as endangered species or threatened species...”*





# FAVOR

## *Friends & Volunteers of Refuges*

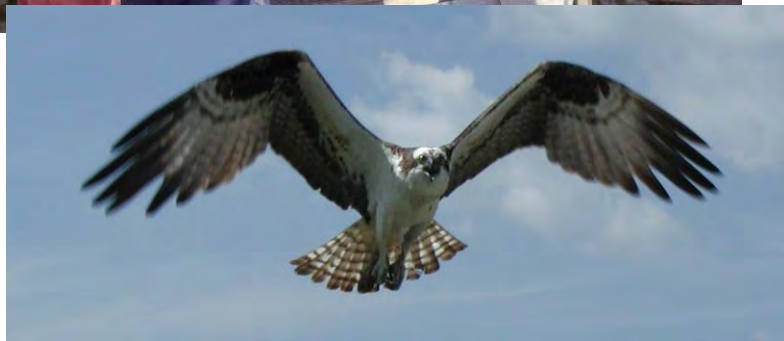


FAVOR's mission is to support the goals and purposes of the Florida Keys NWR's and the National Wildlife Refuge System .

- **Education**
- **Outreach**
- ***Non-Adversarial Advocacy***
- **Fundraising**

# FAVOR Education & Outreach: Supporting the Refuge System's "Big 6"

Wildlife Photography, Wildlife/Wildlands Viewing,  
Environmental Education, Interpretation, Fishing



# FAVOR Education & Outreach: “THE BIG SIT”



# FAVOR Education & Outreach

## Keys Kids in Nature



# FAVOR education/outreach partnerships in the community



Florida Keys Wildlife Rescue



Sanctuary/Refuge Cleanups



Invasive Exotic Species Management

# Community Education/Outreach



- **FREE MOVIE Wednesday Nights**

Bring your lawn chairs to the National Wildlife Refuge Trails

Be there for the films, and *fresh popcorn*, and see :

- **Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> A Sense of Wonder**
- **Mar 9<sup>th</sup> Dimming the Sun**

- **Walk on Winn-Dixie (1<sup>st</sup> Friday's)**

Community-wide gathering with  
free food, drinks, raffle items.

Great time to meet your neighbors!!



# FAVOR volunteers at Croc Lake

Building nest boxes for endangered Key Largo woodrat





# FAVOR Keyswide Education & Outreach

- **One Animal Family**



## ♥Keep Wildlife Wild

- Drive carefully
- Secure trash
- Don't feed wildlife
- Keep your distance
- Plant natives

## ♥Protect Your Pets

- Spay/Neuter
- Dogs on leashes
- Keep cats indoors
- License & Microchip
- Never abandon

Friday September 23  
Opening Reception

Friday evening features an event at the Marathon Garden Club. Join us for hors d'oeuvres, a book signing, and a talk by world famous birders and conservationists Kenn and Kimberly Kaufman.



Florida Keys Birding  
and Wildlife Festival

P. O. Box 430123  
Big Pine Key, FL 33043

305-872-0774 for information  
305-852-4486 for reservations



Thirteenth Annual  
**FLORIDA KEYS  
BIRDING &  
WILDLIFE  
FESTIVAL**



September 21 - 25  
2011

[www.keysbirdingfest.org](http://www.keysbirdingfest.org)

FAVOR is a major supporter of the Florida Keys Birding & Wildlife Festival



FAVOR funded 2010  
Keynote Speaker Pete Dunne

# Community Support

- “Woodrat Jill”



# Crystal River 2010: Regional Refuge & Friends Group meeting



**Marta  
Jaacson**  
Wild of the Air Force  
National Key Deer NWR

**Kristie  
Killam**  
National Key Deer NWR

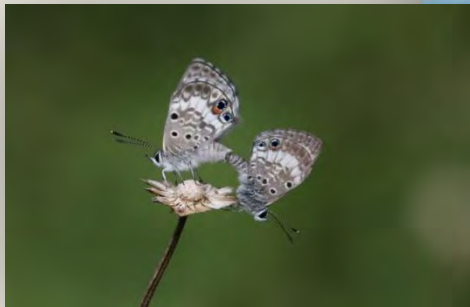
**Karen  
Hiller**  
National Key Deer NWR

# FAVOR provides supplemental funding to the Lower Keys Refuges Complex

- **Reddish Egret**



- **Miami Blue**



- **Construction/  
Maintenance Projects**



# Fundraising Projects/Sources



- Key Deer Bookstore
- Donations
- Grants
- Full Moon Kayak

**Friends And Volunteers Of Refuges**

Crocodile Lake   Key Deer   Key West   Great White Heron

**Our Mission**  
To support the National Wildlife Refuges of the Florida Keys through Education, Volunteerism, Non-Adversarial Advocacy, and Fundraising

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**Become a Friend**

Please check membership level:

<input type="checkbox"/> Great White Heron	\$1000+
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crocodile	\$500-\$999
<input type="checkbox"/> Hawksbill Turtle	\$250-\$499
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Mangrove	\$80-\$249
<input type="checkbox"/> Stock Island Tree Snail	\$30-\$49
<input type="checkbox"/> Key Deer	\$15-\$29
<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh Rabbit	\$10

**Or become a Volunteer!**

Please call me about volunteering for the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor Center and EcoDiscovery Center	<input type="checkbox"/> Leading Bird Walks
<input type="checkbox"/> Lead Refuge Tours	<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising
<input type="checkbox"/> Staff Booths at Festivals and Events	<input type="checkbox"/> Art/Photography
<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Administration
<input type="checkbox"/> Beach Clean Ups	<input type="checkbox"/> Grounds Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Kids Activities/Programs	<input type="checkbox"/> Other



# What can the Refuge and FAVOR do to support the Sanctuary? (& vice versa)



- Combined Sanctuary/Refuge cleanups
- Partner in additional “fun” educational projects like the Free Movie Night.
- Work together on education/outreach
  - Exotic species message
  - Environmental stewardship message
  - Backcountry island usage
  - Youth Membership
  - Cross posting activity calendars
  - Term Park Ranger
- One Animal Family