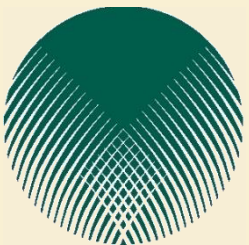


Future Directions for Conservation Banking

The role of the private sector

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Size of the Opportunity Summary of Species

Listed by the State of Florida as Federally-designated Endangered (FE)

Federally-designated Threatened (FT)

Federally-designated Threatened because of similarity of appearance [FT(S/A)]

Federal non-essential experimental population (FXN)

State-designated Threatened (ST)

State Species of Special Concern (SSC)

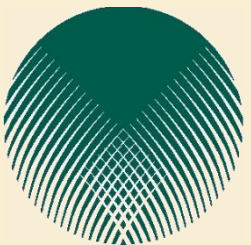
STATUS							
DESIGNATION	FISH	AMPHIBIANS	REPTILES	BIRDS	MAMMALS	INVERTEBRATES	TOTAL
FE	3	1	4	9	22	8	47
FT	2	1	6	4	1	6	20
FT(S/A)	0	0	1	0	0	3	4
FXN	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
ST	3	0	7	5	3	1	19
SSC	6	4	6	16	6	4	42
TOTAL	14	6	24	35	32	22	133

Source: FLORIDA'S ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES; FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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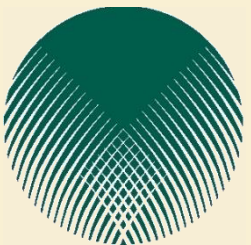
Role of the Private Sector

- Compensatory Mitigation
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 - Full Delivery Mitigation



Compensatory Mitigation

- Advanced Compensatory Mitigation Banks
 - Conservation Banks
 - Mitigation Banks with Conservation Credits
- Full Delivery Mitigation
 - Not widely used
 - Viable alternative



What's needed

- Robust Regulatory Framework

- Regulation

- Supply

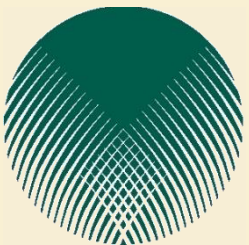
- Conservation Banks

- Predictable, repeatable business model

- Demand

- Regulatory driven

- Private sector participation



Interim Solution

(Maybe Long Term?)

- Inclusion of Conservation Credits in Mitigation Bank Instruments
 - Requirements of Mitigation Bank and Conservation are similar
 - Credits could be separated by polygon
 - Could lead to better site selection, restoration and environmental result

