

# Florida Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Resource Management



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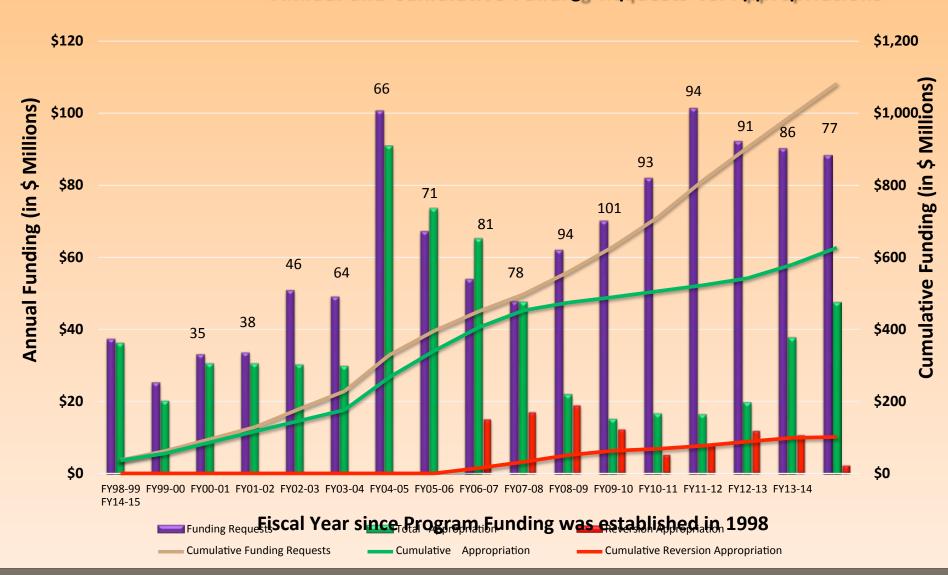
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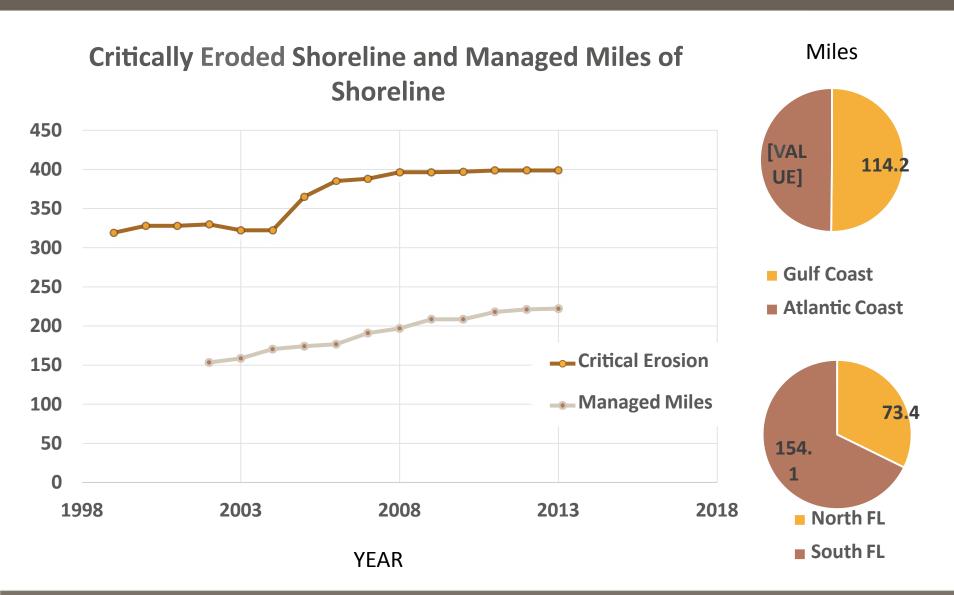
### **Beach Funding**

#### Annual and Cumulative Funding Requests Vs. Appropriations





#### **Beach Nourishments**





# **Beach Nourishments**





#### Where is the Hardbottom?







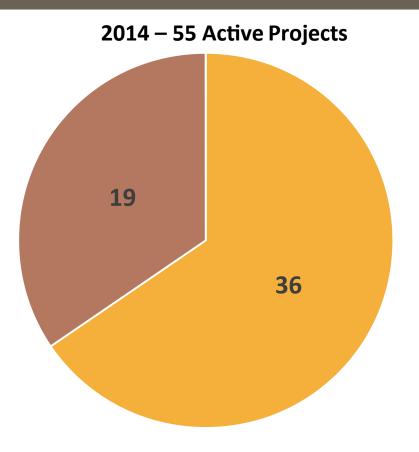
# **Projects with Hardbottom**





### **Nourishment Projects with HB**

- 68 beach nourishment projects
- 41 projects
   constructed that
   have HB monitoring
   requirements (excl.
   ports)



- Projects without HB monitoring
- Projects with HB monitoring



# **Managing Hardbottom**

- Pre-project Assessment
- Estimate Resource Impact
  - Direct
  - Secondary
- Mitigation to offset predicted impacts
- Monitor adjacent resources
- Mitigate if necessary for unanticipated impacts





#### Resource Review

- New Review Team
  - 3 Ph.D.s
  - Variety of expertise
- Better review tracking
  - More feedback
  - Faster review / responses
- Consistent analysis procedure
  - GIS / Analysis tools



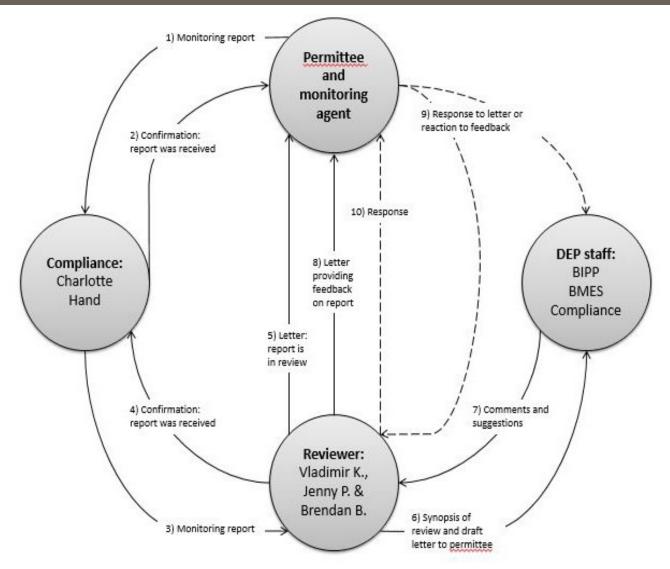








### Resource Review – Feedback Loop



#### **Target Timeframe**

Step 1 – Receive report

30 Days

Step 3 – Letter to Permittee and Monitoring Agent

90 Days

Step 8 – Report Review and Feedback to Permittee / Monitoring Agent



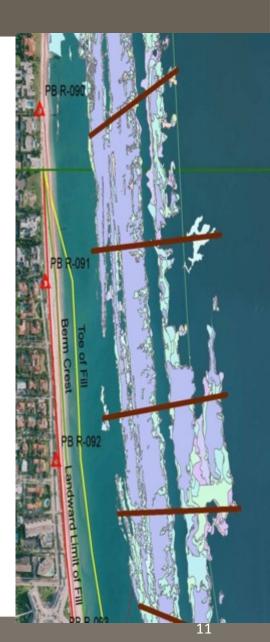
#### **Hardbottom SOP**

- Details of field protocol methodology
- Standardized monitoring techniques
  - Map and classify hardbottom
  - Conduct HB edge surveys
  - Establish and sample transects
  - Conduct video surveys
  - Conduct sediment monitoring
  - Sample quadrats
- More consistent data from all firms





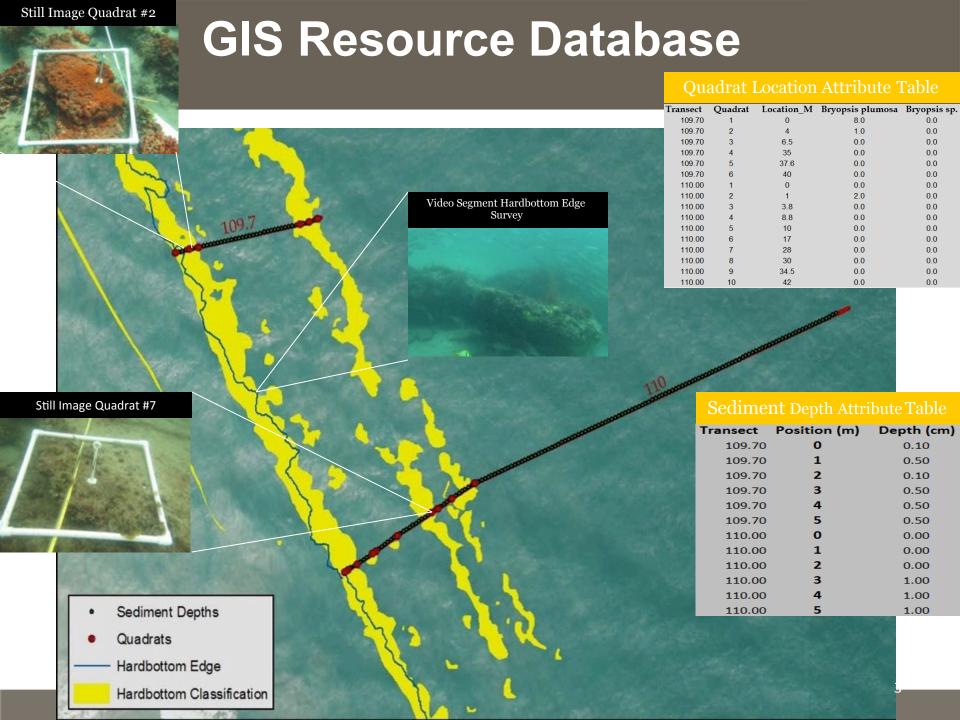






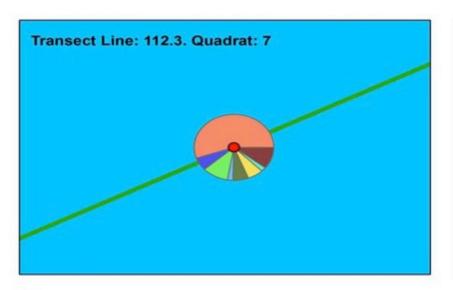
# Standardization of Data Submittals

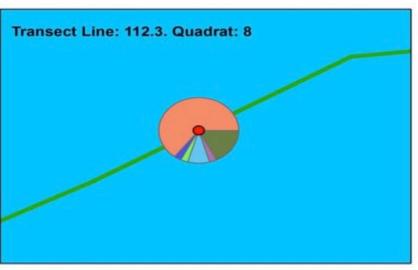
- Consistent naming formats for files
- Easy insertion into GIS
- Easy to compare project to project
- Example formats:
  - <u>Transect</u> <County>transect<year</p>
    - Ex: Indian RiverTransect2013.shp
    - Ex: IR\_Sect2\_R001
  - HB Edge <County>Year<Sector>
    - Ex: IndianRover2013Sector2and3HardbottomEdge.shp

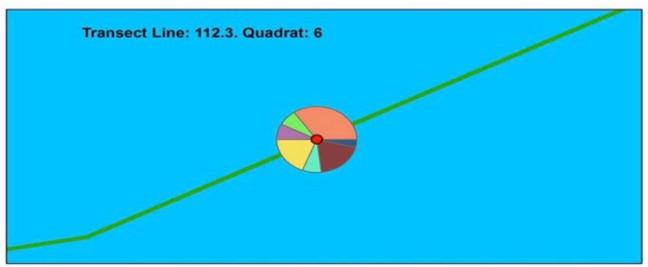


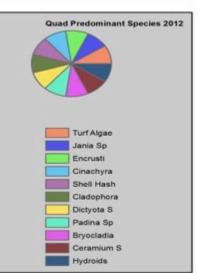


# Visualizing Species Composition

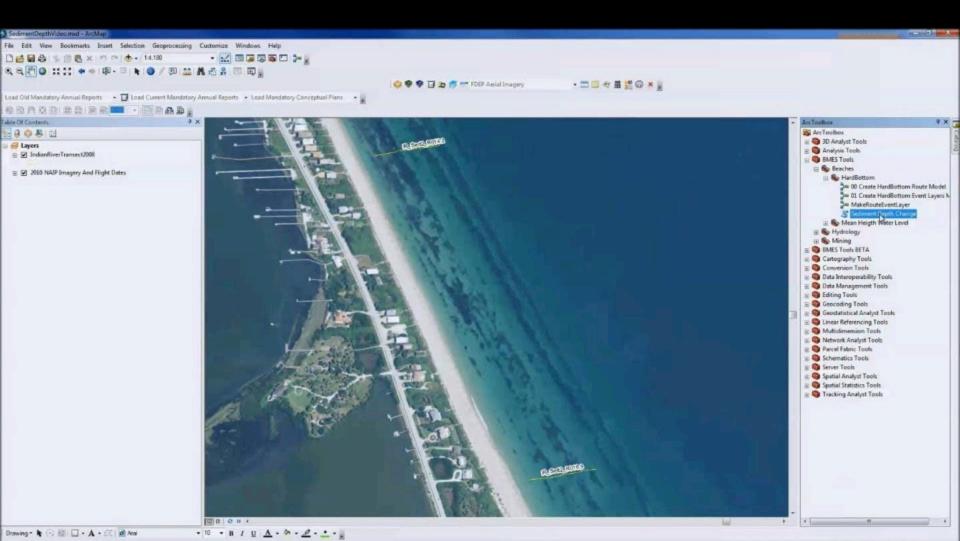








\* St. Lucie 2012 data





#### **Questions?**

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