These WMAs collectively decrease disturbance of various bird species including osprey, magnificent frigatebird, double-crested cormorant, heron, white ibis, and other wading birds. Decreases impacts to shallow water seagrass and hardbottom habitat. Some of the surrounding flats and shallow banks exhibit light prop scarring. This zone will reduce conflict between users (flats fishermen and boaters) and protect shallow seagrass flats.