Eastern Dry Rocks, Rock Key, Sand Key, and Key West Sanctuary Preservation Areas

These zones protect spur-and-groove and deeper bank reef habitats that historically supported thickets of ESA-listed elkhorn coral. Currently contain a high abundance of large ESA-listed star corals, remnant populations of ESA-listed pillar corals, and a diverse assemblage of other boulder and plating coral species. Important sites for ongoing restoration of ESA-listed elkhorn and staghorn corals. These zones were originally designed to limit consumptive activities and separate users engaged in different activities. Key West SPA is provided for restoration of degraded coral reef ecosystem sanctuary resources.

This map contains proposed marine zone alternatives for public comment. Proposed marine zone alternatives do not reflect agency decision at this time. For more details about the proposed alternatives and zone descriptions, including associated regulations, see Section 3.3 and 3.4 of this DEIS.