Establishment Order Number:  CWA 14-01

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution and Rule 68A-14.001, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), hereby establishes the MC2 Critical Wildlife Area (CWA) in Martin County, Florida, with the following described area:

The CWA commences at its most southeasterly point located at approximately 27.189333°, -80.186861°; thence north for 707 feet to a northeasterly point, located at approximately 27.191278°, -80.186861°; thence west for 595 feet to a northwesterly point, located at approximately 27.191278°, -80.188694°; thence south for 707 feet to a southwesterly point, located at approximately 27.189333°, -80.188694°; then east 595 feet to the most southeasterly point.

Areas within the CWA to be closed to public access will be posted with closure signs as specified in Rule 68A-19.005, F.A.C. Location of closure signs is included in this establishment order because the CWA includes navigable waters. Closure signs will be placed at the following approximate locations: (1) 27.191250°, -80.187845°; (2) 27.190908°, -80.187087°; (3) 27.190286°, -80.187017°; (4) 27.189675°, -80.187123°; (5) 27.189444°, -80.187653°; (6) 27.189717°, -80.188361°; (7) 27.190261°, -80.188473°; and (8) 27.190755°, -80.188528°.

The entire emergent island area within this posted boundary, locally known as Bird Island, and the breakwater structure on the north side of the island are closed to public access the entire year for the protection of nesting and roosting birds. The water area between the island and the closure signs is closed to public access from February 1 to July 31 each year for the protection of nesting and roosting birds. Areas outside of the posted area, and the water area between the island and closure signs outside of the indicated closure dates, are open to otherwise lawful public access. The perimeter boundary and posted area are shown on the attached map.

AUTHORITY:  Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution
Rule 68A-14.001, F.A.C.


Nick Wiley
Executive Director

Attest: ____________________