

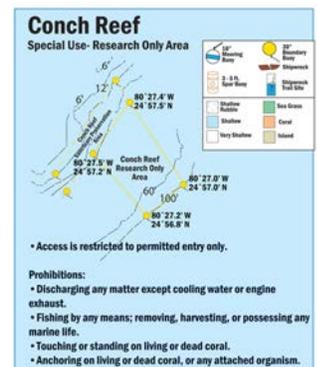
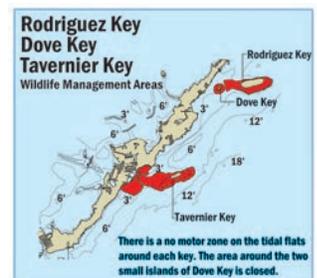
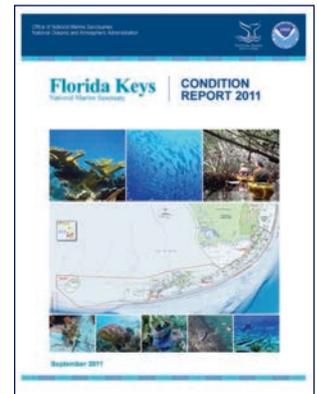


## Marine Zoning and Regulatory Review

In response to requests by members of the public, shifting environmental conditions and threats in the Keys, better scientific information, and legal requirements, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary is conducting a review of sanctuary regulations, including the rules and boundaries for marine zones in the sanctuary and surrounding national wildlife refuges.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Florida Keys National Wildlife Refuges Complex, which co-manages 20 of the sanctuary's 27 Wildlife Management Areas, will also play a key role in the review while simultaneously updating its own Backcountry Management Plan.

The review is an ongoing process, continuing into 2015. Comments on issues related to sanctuary boundaries, marine zones, the Key West and Great White Heron National Wildlife Refuges, and associated regulations are being accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (Docket Number NOAA-NOS-2012-0061) or by letter to the Sanctuary Superintendent or Refuge Manager.



### Public Meetings

There will be a series of public meetings that start at 4 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m., during which time staff will provide presentations about the zones and regulations, and accept public comments.

**June 19:** Marathon, FL; Monroe County Government Center; Emergency Operations Center

**June 20:** Key Largo, FL; Key Largo Library

**June 21:** Key West, FL; Doubletree Grand Key Resort; Tortuga Ballroom

**June 26:** Miami, FL; Florida International University; Graham University Center; Room GC243

**June 27:** Fort Myers, FL; Joseph P. Alessandro Office Complex; Rooms 165 C and D