

A Enormous Waste of Water

Illegal Discharge Pipes

Cry of the Water

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In this time of drought much attention is on our water supply, alternative sources, water restrictions, and salt-water intrusion to the well fields.

But we don't hear any talk about one of the biggest wastes of water at the front line of salt-water intrusion.

Cooling Tower Discharges

There are many large building along the coast discharge huge volumes of water to tide 24/7.

Many of the pipes operate without proper NPDES permits. We have complained to FDEP for years because the pipes are a major cause of erosion to the beaches. We are asking once again that DEP enforce the law. We would hope that with the pipes being on the front line of salt-water intrusion that this issue be addressed in a timely manner. This will help protect our beaches, reefs and water supply.

The cooling towers can be converted to a closed loop system or the water put back down in the wells. We see the discharge pipes not only on the beaches but also dumping into canals. One of the biggest is at the entrance to Port Everglades. We have been told that it is from Point of the Americas

When you are asking people to conserve water and change the way they live the rich people in their Ivory Towers living along the beach should have to follow the laws and make changes too.

If DEP is not capable of enforcing the NPDES permits for cooling towers and sewer outfalls then perhaps it is time that the Justice Department takes the state of Florida to court like they did to Puerto Rico.

DEP has been delegated this responsibility by EPA and has the obligation to Enforce the Clean Water Act

Open Circuit Discharge Pipe



Discharge Boil in Surf Line



Galt Ocean Mile Cooling Tower Outfall

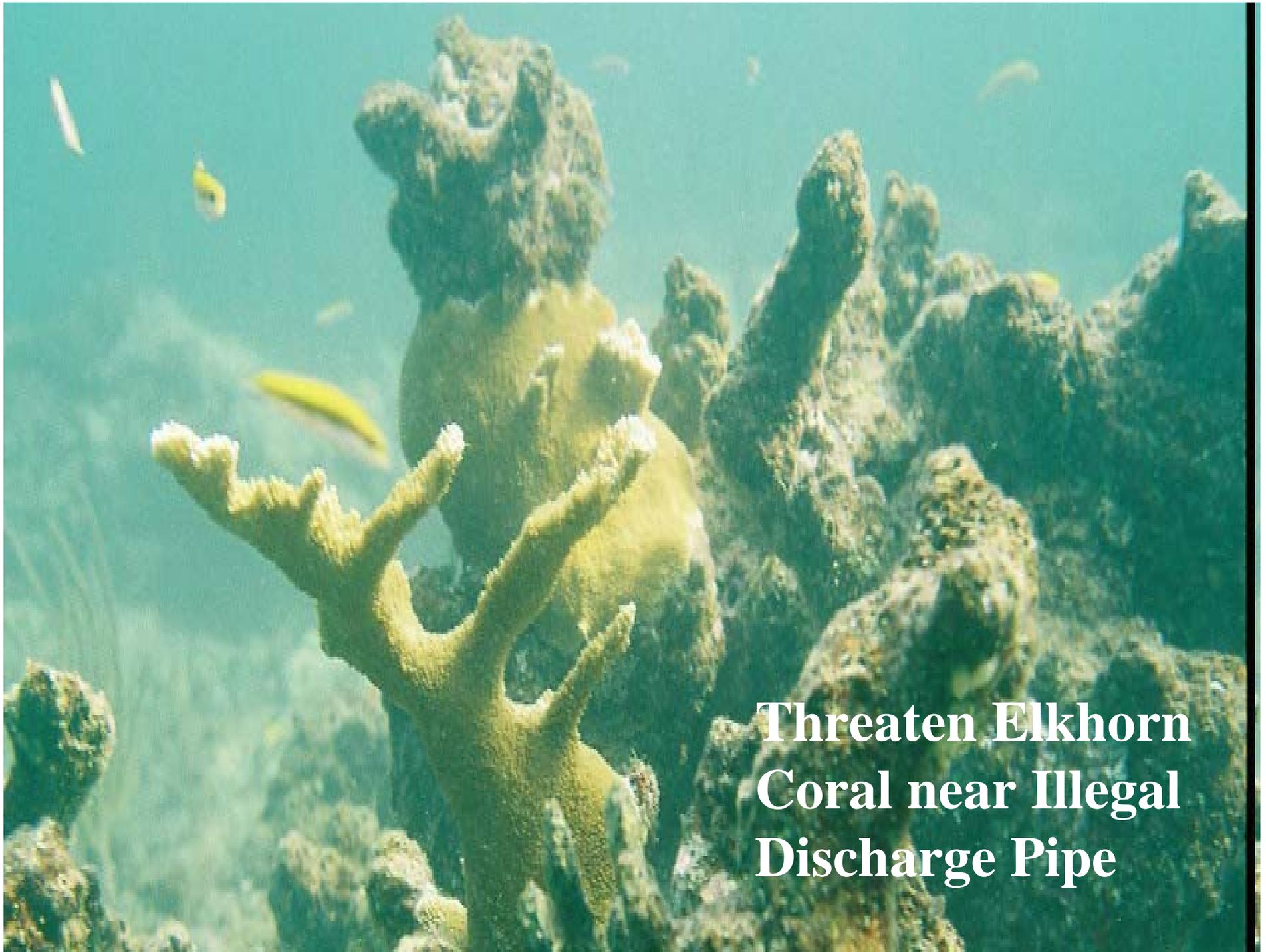








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