

**South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Land Acquisition Strategy
Land Acquisition Project Profile**

Program Name: Land Acquisition
Project Name: Biscayne National Park
Project Name Synonyms:
Project ID (Map Label):
Overlapping Project(s):

Primary SFER-related Objective: 2.A.1

Project synopsis: This project includes acquisition of three Ragged Keys (326 acres), one tract of submerged lands only (20 acres) and two on-shore tracts (36 acres) in Biscayne National Park. The Ragged Keys are five islands immediately adjacent to the most popular use area in the park, Boca Chita Key. Two islands were acquired through 1999. Two of the three islands remaining to be acquired provide natural habitat on the islands and in the surrounding shallows. Least terns nest on land and endangered sea turtles nest on the shoreline. Both nesting sites are greatly disturbed by overflow public use of the area and developers of resort and recreational facilities have repeatedly targeted the islands. A total of 382 acres remain to be acquired.

Project Sponsorship: Federal
Land Acquisition Funding Type: Federal
Land Acquisition Funds Source: LWCF
Agency Responsible for Acquiring the Land: National Park Service
Land Acquisition Program(s): LWCF
Land Managing Agency: National Park Service
Funding Partner(s):

Land Acquisition Schedule

Initiate Acquisition	Conclude Acquisition	Date Needed for Restoration
1968	2008	

Project Acreage/Progress

Total size	Acquired previous yr.	Acquired all years	Remaining to acquire
172,924	0	172,542	382

Estimated Project Requirements - Land Acquisition only (in thousands of dollars)

Agency	Closed through Sept. 2002	Closed in 2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Cost of Remaining Acres	Real Estate & Associated Costs
Federal	\$ 31,851	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,848	\$ 1,848	\$ 33,699
State	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Tribal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TBD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 31,851	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,848	\$ 1,848	\$ 33,699

Land Cost Estimation Method: FMV
Degree of Ownership desired: Fee Simple

Comments:
Hyperlink(s):
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