

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit P32, Moreno Point, Florida

Summary of Final Recommended Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Walton, Okaloosa

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map: The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- Map [12-021A](#) dated January 11, 2016

Final Recommended Map: The final recommended CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- Draft map [12-021B](#) dated April 29, 2021

Base Map Imagery Source and Date: United States Department of Agriculture, National Agriculture Imagery Program, 2019

Establishment of Unit: The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit P32

Historical Changes: The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- Pub. L. 104-333 enacted on November 12, 1996 (62 FR 28891). The maps revised by this law were later invalidated by a court order on March 5, 1998 (Coastal Alliance v. Babbitt, Civil Action No. 97-1344 (D. D.C.)).
- Pub. L. 105-277 enacted on October 21, 1998 (64 FR 41940). This law reinstated the maps revised by Pub. L. 104-333 (including the map for Unit P32) that were previously invalidated by court order.
- Federal Register notice (81 FR 13407) published on March 14, 2016, in accordance with Section 3 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html.

Public Comments: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) held a 60-day public comment period on the proposed boundaries for this area from January 4 through March 5, 2021. For a summary of the comments received and the Service's responses, see the document entitled [Moreno Point Unit P32/P32P Summary of Public Comments Received and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Responses and Recommendations](#), which is available on the Service's website at: www.fws.gov/cbra.

The Service received comments specific to Unit P32.

Changes between Proposed and Final Recommended Boundaries: There are no changes to Unit P32 between proposed and final recommended.

Final Recommended Changes: The final recommended changes to Unit P32 are described below.

Unit P32 Summary of Recommended Changes (continued)

Recommended Removals:

- Twenty-five structures along Terra Cotta Way in the Terra Cotta Terrace subdivision
- One condominium building and adjacent fastland in the Chateau La Mer II condominium complex, located to the north of Scenic Highway 98
- Four structures along Walton Way, one structure along Forest Shore Drive, and adjacent undeveloped fastland, located in the Holiday Shores Estates subdivision

Recommended Additions:

- A small area of wetlands and undeveloped fastland to the east of Indian Bayou Drive
- Associated aquatic habitat along Indian Bayou

Recommended Reclassifications:

- From System Unit P32 to Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit P32P: The eastern portion of Henderson Beach State Park
- From OPA Unit P32P to System Unit P32: An area of privately owned fastland, including a Gulf Power Company facility, located to the north of Henderson Beach State Park and to the south of the Emerald Coast Parkway

Other Modifications/Information:

- A minor area owned by Okaloosa County and held for conservation and/or recreation known as James Lee Park is currently located within System Unit P32. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- A minor portion of the Miramar Regional Public Beach Access (owned by Walton County and held for conservation and/or recreation) is currently located within System Unit P32. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing CBRS boundary modifications, visit www.fws.gov/cbra/maps/Boundary-Modifications.html.

Technical Correction Assessment: The Service has completed a Technical Correction Assessment to address requests that were received to determine whether mapping errors exist for specific areas within this unit. The assessment can be found in the [Summary of Proposed Changes for Unit P32](#), which is available on the Service's website: www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit P32 Summary of Recommended Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the recommended boundary of Unit P32.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	4,136	2,285	1,851	1.0	
Added to the CBRS	54	4	50	0.0	0
Removed from the CBRS	7	4	3	0.0	31
Reclassified Area****	(8)	(8)	0	0.0	1
Proposed Unit	4,175	2,277	1,898	0.9	
Net Change	39	(8)	47	(0.1)	(30)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

****Reclassification means to change either all or a portion of a System Unit to an Otherwise Protected Area, or vice-versa.

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