

John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit FL-93, Phillips Inlet, Florida

Type of Unit: Proposed new System unit

Location of Unit: Northwest of Panama City on the Gulf Coast, in Bay County

Congressional District: 2

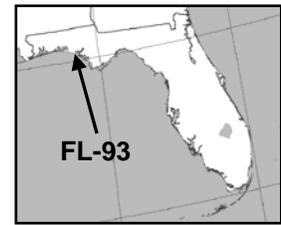
Current CBRS Status: Most of the proposed new Unit FL-93 is currently within the boundaries of otherwise protected area (OPA) Unit FL-93P.

System Unit Criteria: Areas of proposed new Unit FL-93 that are currently within Unit FL-93P met the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) definition and criteria of an undeveloped coastal barrier at the time they were first included within the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) in 1990. Areas of proposed new Unit FL-93 that are currently not

within the CBRS currently meet the CBRA definition and criteria of an undeveloped coastal barrier. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is not aware of the existence of a full complement of infrastructure in this area at the time the area was first included within the CBRS.

Proposed Boundaries: The eastern boundary of the proposed new unit is aligned to digital property parcel data. The northern boundary precisely follows the southern edge of the highway. The western boundary is aligned to the boundaries of Camp Helen State Park. This boundary is coincident with the proposed eastern boundary of adjacent OPA Unit FL-93P.

Additional Comments: The portions of proposed new Unit FL-93 currently within FL-93P are proposed for reclassification because they are not held for conservation or recreation, are not inholdings, and met the CBRA definition of



and criteria for an undeveloped coastal barrier at the time they were established within the OPA.

Acreeage, Shoreline, and Structures:

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres¹</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres²</i>	<i>Shoreline (Miles)</i>	<i>Structures³</i>
Existing Unit	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	4.0	1.9	2.1		0
Removed from the CBRS	0.0	0.0	0.0		0
Reclassified Area	126.7	35.7	91.0	0.2	
Proposed Unit	130.7	37.6	93.1	0.2	
Net Change	130.7	37.6	93.1	0.2	0

¹ Land above mean high tide

² Includes adjacent wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and nearshore waters

³ Structure count derived from 1999 and 2004 aerial photography, and 2003 Bay County property parcel information

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Location of Unit: Northwest of Panama City on the Gulf Coast, in Bay County

Congressional District: 2

Establishment of Unit: Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (P.L. 101-591) enacted on 11/16/1990

Historical Changes to Unit: There have been no changes to the boundaries of Unit FL-93P since its designation in 1990.

Underlying Conservation/Recreation Area(s) in OPA: Camp Helen State Park, acquired by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection in 1996.

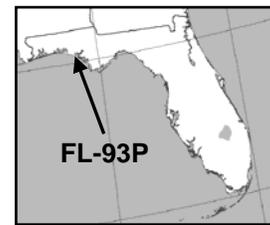
Existing Boundary Description:

It is not clear what the existing boundaries of Unit FL-93P follow. Volume 15 of the Department of the Interior's 1988 Report to Congress shows the boundaries on an outdated U.S. Geological Survey topographic base map. The western boundary follows the Bay County boundary for a short distance inland from the shoreline. It intermittently follows U.S. Highway 98 and what may be contour lines around an area shown on the base map as wetlands,

excluding an area of development, then follows the U.S. Highway 98 bridge across the inlet. At the southeast corner of the unit, the boundary takes an irregular path back to the Gulf of Mexico.

Proposed Changes to Boundary: The western and eastern boundaries of Unit FL-93P are adjusted to align with the boundaries of Camp Helen State Park, including significant areas not currently within the OPA, and removing privately owned land that is not held for conservation or recreation and is not an inholding of Camp Helen State Park. The landward boundary is adjusted to follow the center of Powell Lake.

Additional Comments: There are no known private inholdings within Unit FL-93P. A corporate retreat called Camp Helen, owned by Avondale Textile Mills, had been in this area since 1945. It was sold in 1987 to private interests. The State of Florida purchased the land and established Camp Helen State Park in 1996. The base map used to delineate the boundaries in the 1988 Report to Congress: Coastal Barrier Resources System, Recommendations for Additions to or Deletions from the Coastal Barrier Resources System was outdated and does not show significant condominium



development in the southeast corner of the unit that existed when the area was established within the OPA. Currently, the OPA includes an area of privately held associated aquatic habitat and fastland that are outside the Camp Helen State Park boundary and not held for conservation or recreation purposes. The area is not an inholding and met the CBRA definition of and criteria for an undeveloped coastal barrier at the time it was established within the OPA. Therefore this area is proposed for reclassification from OPA Unit FL-93P to System Unit FL-93.

Acreeage, Shoreline, and Structures:

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres¹</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres²</i>	<i>Shoreline (Miles)</i>	<i>Structures³</i>
Existing Unit	241.9	82.9	159.0	0.6	
Added to the CBRS	157.1	94.8	62.3		0
Removed from the CBRS	13.4	12.0	1.4		6
Reclassified Area	(126.7)	(35.7)	(91.0)	(0.2)	
Proposed Unit	258.9	130.0	128.9	0.3	
Net Change	17.0	47.1	(30.1)	(0.3)	(6)

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