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## Kings Bay Springs Group

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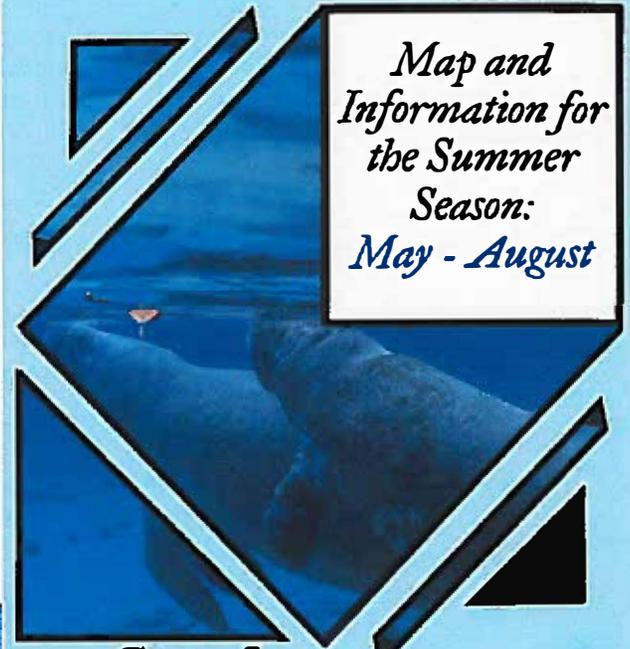
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*Map and Information for the Summer Season:  
May - August*

City of  
Crystal River



*Waterfronts & Community Services  
crystalriverfl.org  
Water Patrol: 352-586-4788  
Park Ranger: 352-697-0933  
Three Sisters Springs: 352-586-1170*

## Zones in Kings Bay

-  25 MPH within this channel.
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-  25 MPH Day/Slow Speed Night & No Anchorage (June 1 - Aug 15)/Slow Speed Remainder of Year.
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## U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

-  Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge Complex 

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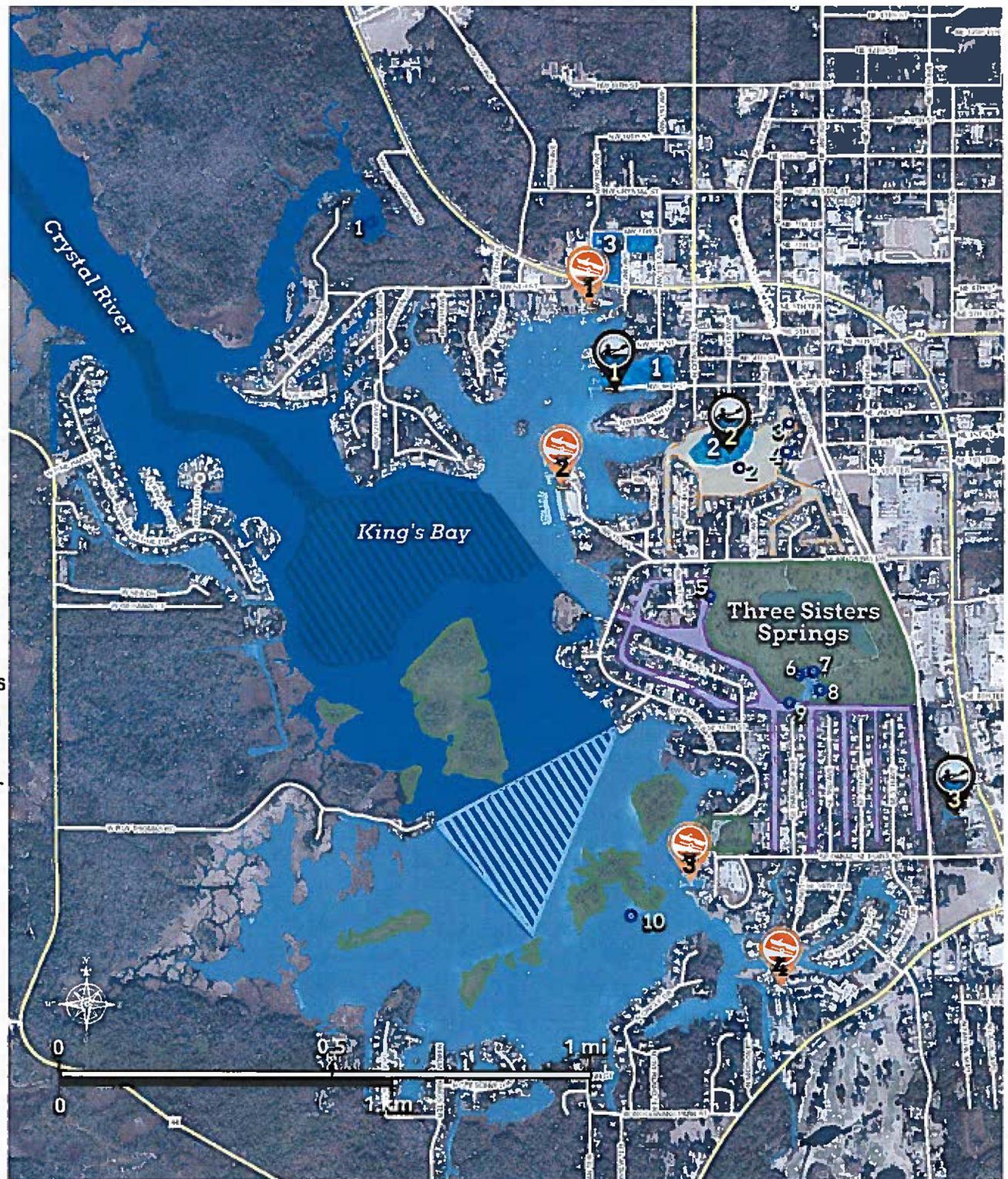
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## Kayak Launches

1. *Kings Bay Park* 268 NW 3rd Street
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3. *Crystal River Kayak* 1422 SE US Hwy 19 (\$)

## Boat Ramps

1. *3rd Ave Ramp* 540 NW 3rd Avenue
2. *Pete's Pier 1* SW 1st Place (\$)
3. *Adventure Center* 9301 W Ft Island Trail (\$)
4. *Captain Mike's* 1610 SE Paradise Pt Rd (\$)
5. *\*Crystal River Water Sports* 2380 N Suncoast Blvd. (\$) \*not on map
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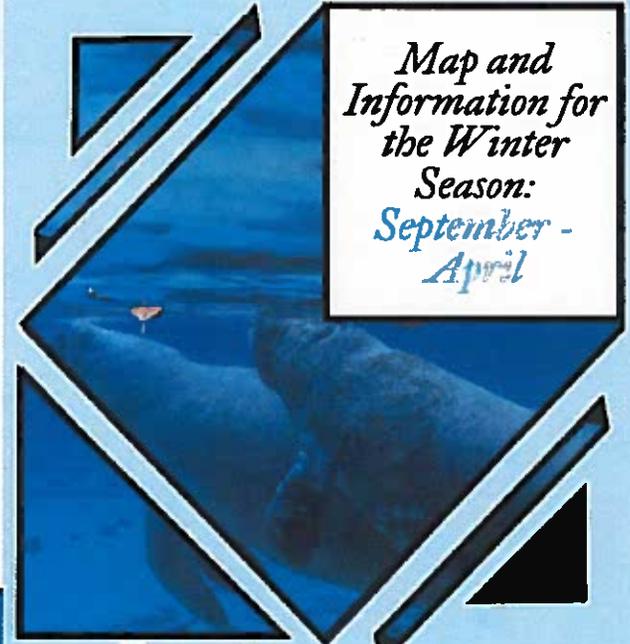
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