## Seagrass Mapping 2014



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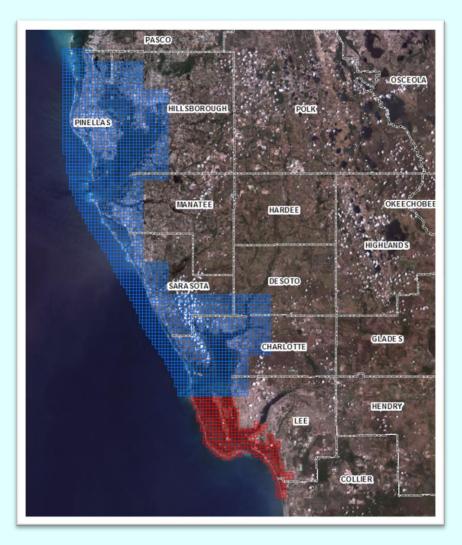
### SWFMWD

- Biennial Mapping
- Different reporting segmentation system
- Seagrass maps for TBEP, SBEP, CHNEP
- Aerial Cartographers of America and Quantum Spatial (aka Photo Science)
- Collection window Dec '13 Feb '14
- Field Verification: 327 sites visited, 6 field days



### **SFMWD**

- Mapping not currently biennial
- Responded to LWC request for 2014
- Same reporting segmentation system, except for SWFWMD overlap
- Aerial Cartographers of America and Quantum Spatial (aka Photo Science)
- Acquired in Dec. 2013 Feb 2014
- Field Verification (317 points)

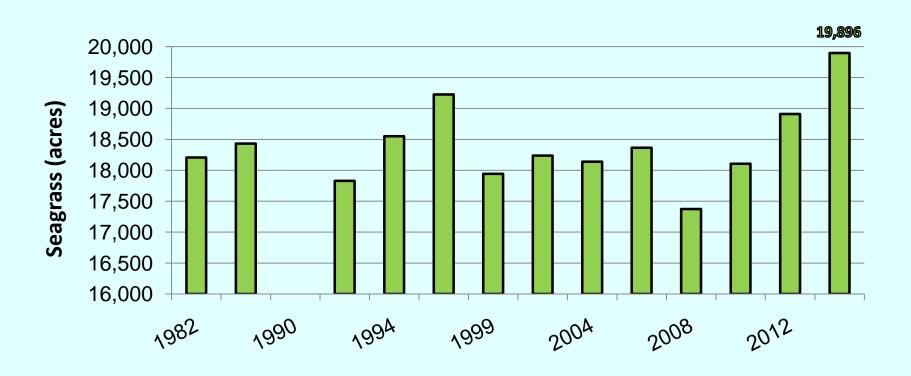


#### **Program Boundaries**

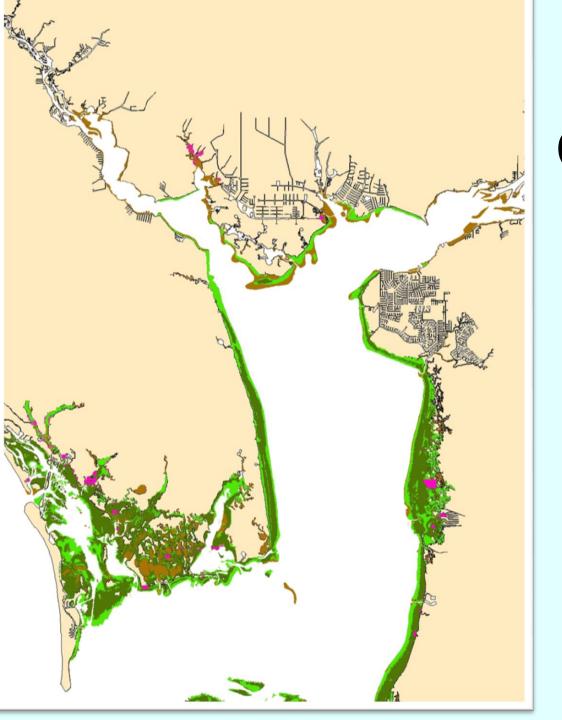
- Southwest Florida WMD
  Approximately 2,539 sq. miles
- South Florida WMD
  Approximately 330 sq. miles

\*Coordinated to conduct concurrent mapping

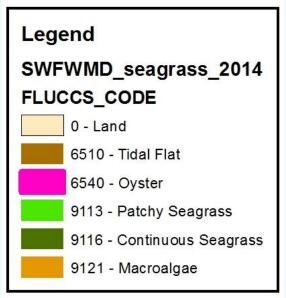
# Charlotte Harbor Seagrass Overtime



Segment	Restoration Target	2014 Target	Total Seagrass Target Acres	2008 Acres	2012 Acres	2014 Acres	% Target
Dona and Roberts Bay	21		112	187	181	203	181%
Upper Lemon Bay			1,009	1,148	1,276	1,357	134%
Lower Lemon Bay	380		2,882	2,607	2,785	2,893	100%
Tidal Myakka		37	456	311	287	419	92%
Tidal Peace	591	327	975	247	389	648	66%
West Wall	199		2,106	2,049	2,150	2,222	106%
East Wall	433	246	3,898	2,691	3,499	3,652	94%
Cape Haze		21	6,998	6,672	6,849	6,977	100%
Bookelia			3,342	3,689		4,086	122%
Pine Island Sound			26,837	27,507		29,114	108%
Matlacha Pass	1,733	1,043	9,315	7,995		8,272	89%
San Carlos Bay			4,372	6,469		7,167	164%
Tidal Caloosahatchee*	6		93	300		411	442%
Estero Bay	591		3,662	3,590		3,683	101%
Total	3,954	1,674	66,057	65,462	21,357	71,104	136%



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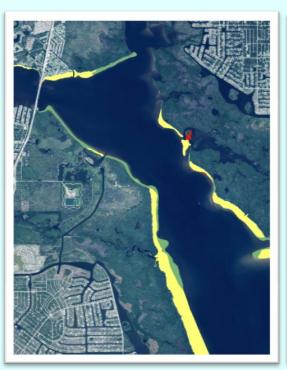


\* Oyster has been exaggerated on map for ease of viewing

## Increases (Green) in Charlotte Harbor



## Myakka River Gains





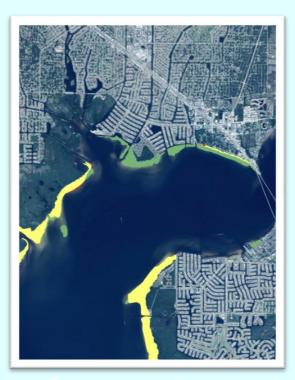


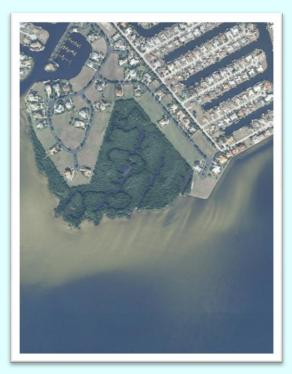
Change Analysis

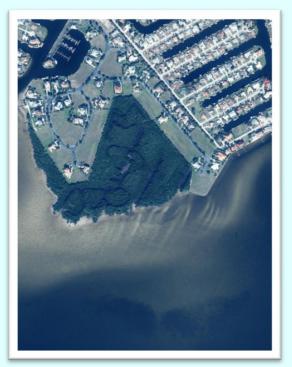
2012

2014

## Peace River Gains







Change Analysis

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## Myakka River Changes 2010 to 2012

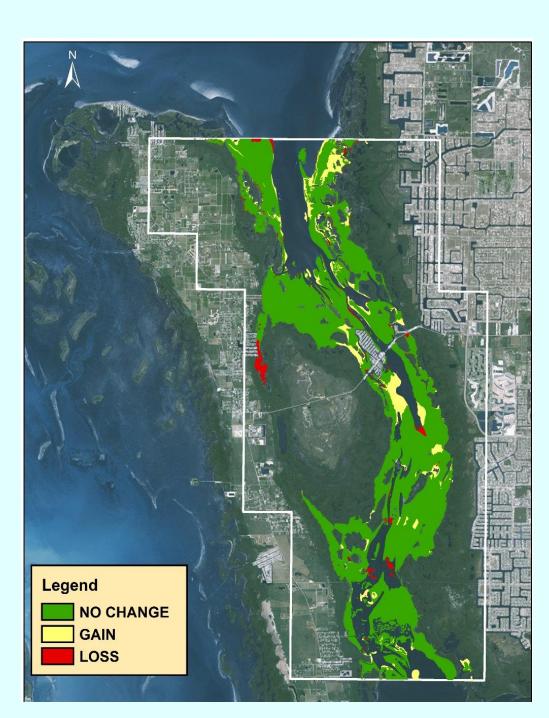




#### **Matlacha Pass**

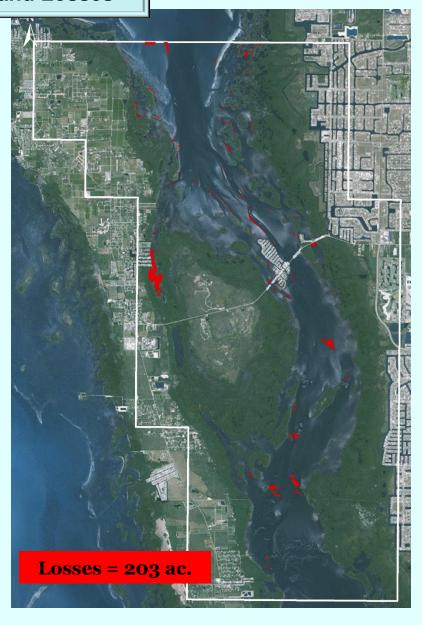
2008–2014 Seagrass

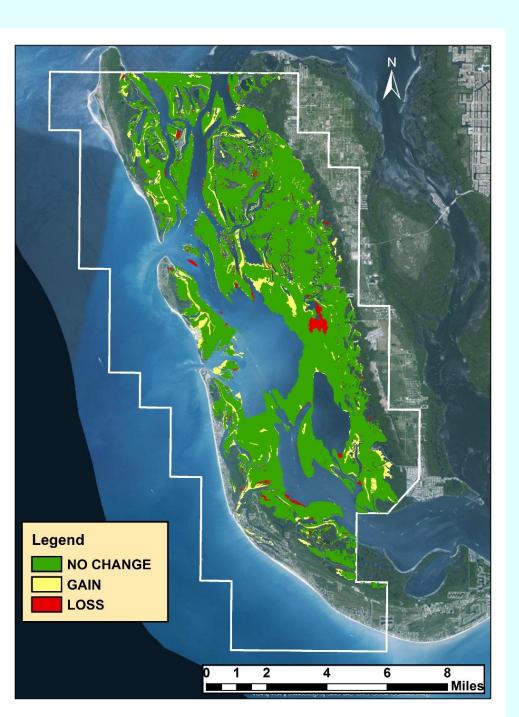
Coverage	<u>Acreage</u>			
No Change	7,501			
Gains	771			
Losses	203			



## Matlacha Pass 2008-2014 Areas of Gains and Losses



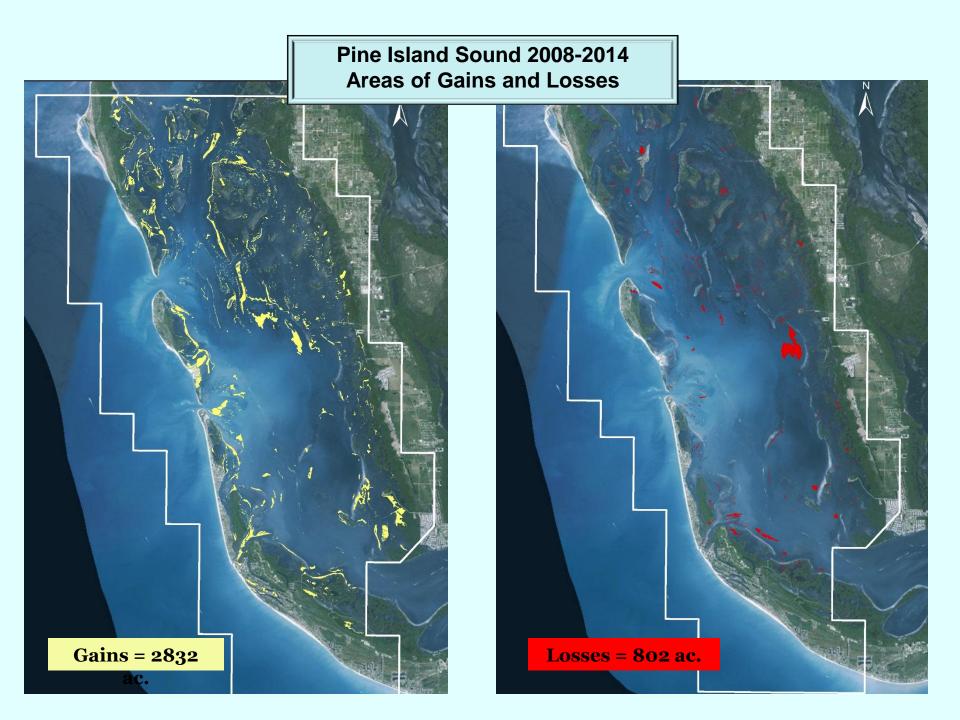


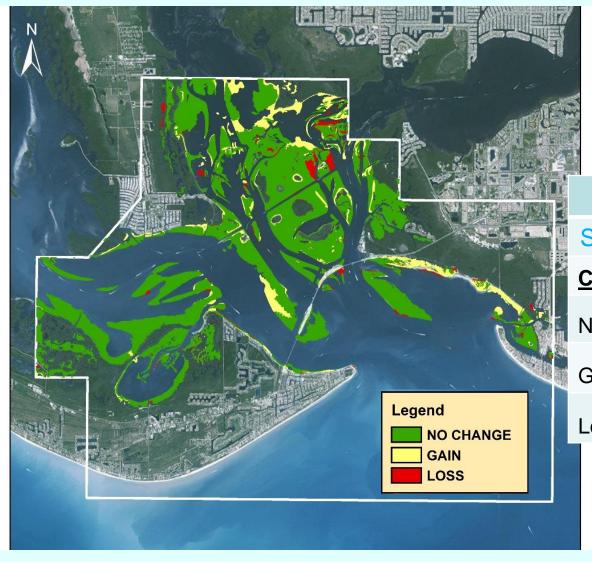


#### **Pine Island Sound**

2008–2014 Seagrass

Coverage	<u>Acreage</u>			
No Change	26,282			
Gains	2,832			
Losses	802			





#### **San Carlos Bay**

Seagrass Change (2008-2014)

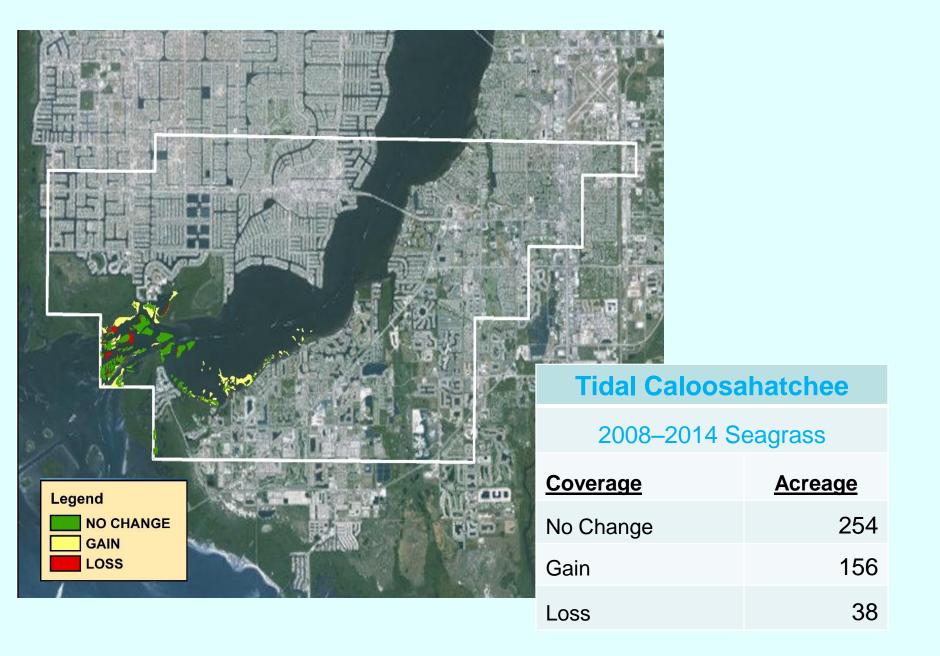
<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Acreage</u>		
No Change	6,249		
Gain	918		
Loss	233		

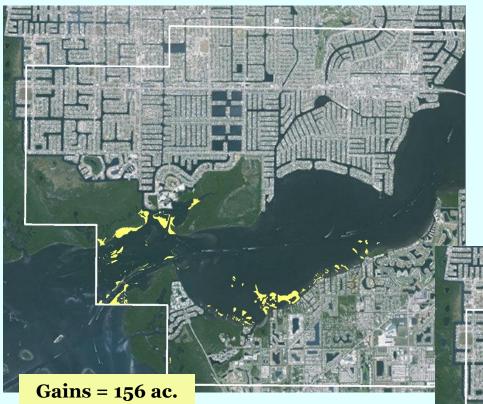


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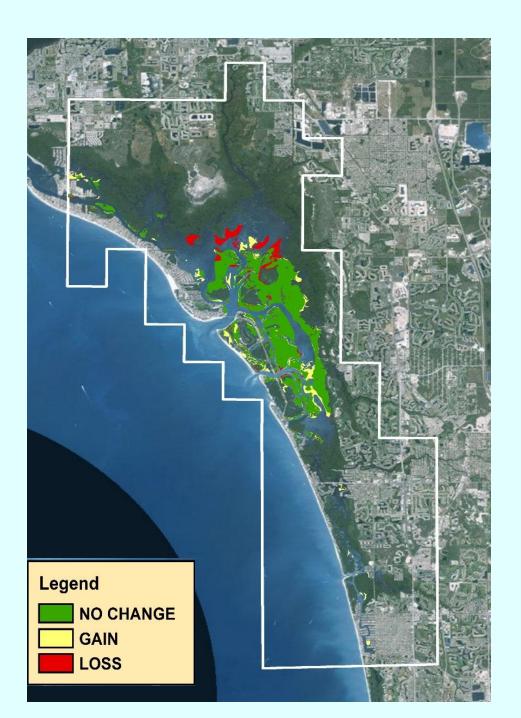
## **Tidal Caloosahatchee 2008-2014 Areas of Gains and Losses**

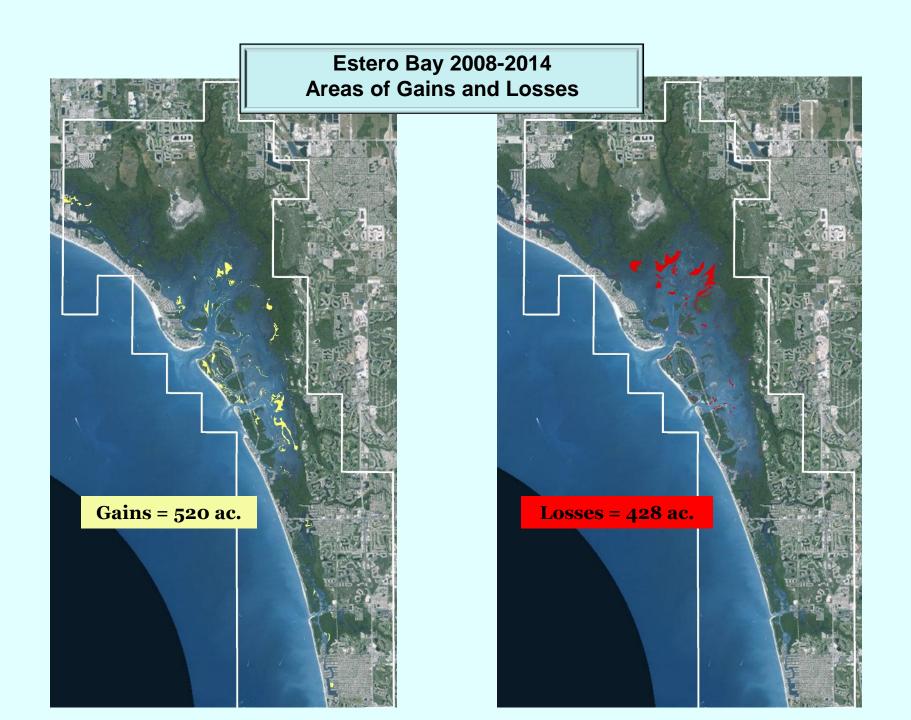


#### **Estero Bay**

2008–2014 Seagrass

Coverage	<u>Acreage</u>
No Change	3,162
Gain	520
Loss	428





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- Kris Kaufman SWFWMD for all her help and guidance
- To all the volunteers on the west coast who helped acquire overall weather and water condition readings for daily flight determination
- All of SWFMWD's seagrass maps are available in our new Open Data Portal. The environmental data is located at <a href="http://data.swfwmd.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets?q=\*&page=2&sort\_by=n\_ame&sort\_order=asc&group\_id=d9a4213eb9ea4713bb710e03bdcc6648">http://data.swfwmd.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets?q=\*&page=2&sort\_by=n\_ame&sort\_order=asc&group\_id=d9a4213eb9ea4713bb710e03bdcc6648</a>
- Imagery may be from SWFMWD Mapping and GIS Section. Jessica Hendrix will coordinate filling imagery requests, you simply supply her an external hard drive. Her email is <a href="mailto:jessica.hendrix@watermatters.org">jessica.hendrix@watermatters.org</a>
- SFWMD seagrass maps are not yet available pending portal problems.
- Contact: Barbara Welch, <u>bwelch@sfwmd.gov</u>