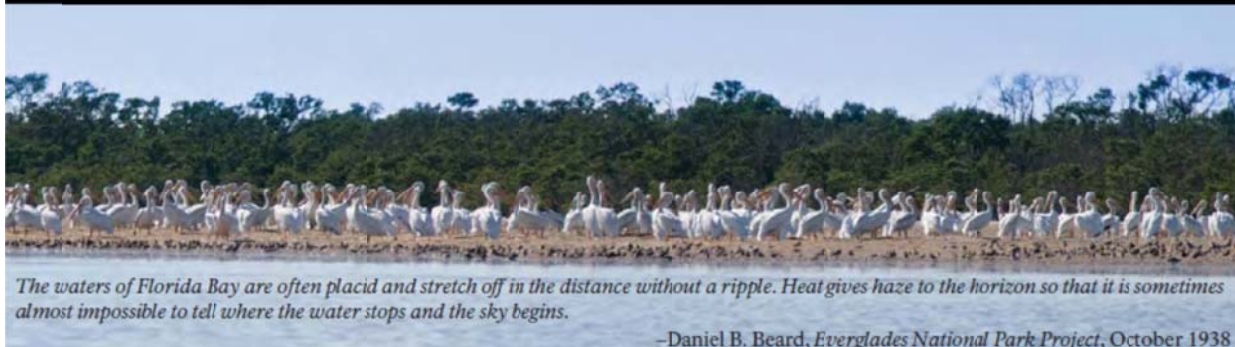


Snake Bight Pole/Troll Zone

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The waters of Florida Bay are often placid and stretch off in the distance without a ripple. Heat gives haze to the horizon so that it is sometimes almost impossible to tell where the water stops and the sky begins.

—Daniel B. Beard, Everglades National Park Project, October 1938

Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone – Public Workshops (March 5 and March 9, 2012) and Comment Period (through March 31, 2012)

In order to learn from the public and look at ways to improve the management of the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone (PTZ), please take a few minutes to provide your thoughts on the zone – what you like or don't like, your experiences and observations, your view of the PTZ as a strategy for increased resource and protection and visitor enjoyment, and suggested changes that park managers should consider. If you are not familiar with the Snake Bight PTZ there is additional information about the project on this site. Following the March workshops, presentations and other materials will also be posted on the site. The preference is that you provide input on-line at this site under the "Open For Comment" link. You may also mail written responses to:

*Everglades National Park
Park Planning Office –Snake Bight PTZ
40001 State Road 9336
Homestead, FL 33034.*

1. Provide a summary of your experiences in the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone (PTZ) area (indicate the type of boating and activities). Specify if these experiences were before and/or after the PTZ went into effect on January 1, 2011, and the approximate number of times you've been to the Snake Bight area before and/or after the zone was established.
2. If you have visited the Snake Bight PTZ since January 1, 2011, describe the quality of your experience(s). If you also visited the area before the PTZ went into effect generally describe the quality of those experiences, and any differences you have observed regarding visitor use and resource conditions in the zone.
3. Identify what you like most about the current Snake Bight PTZ.
4. Identify what you like least about the current Snake Bight PTZ.
5. Describe changes to the current Snake Bight PTZ you would recommend to park managers in order to improve the zone (e.g., zone configuration, signage, educational materials, enforcement) and why those changes should be considered.
6. Provide any other thoughts you have about the Snake Bight PTZ and shallow-water protection and visitor use not discussed in the previous questions.

Thank you for taking the time to provide your ideas, and for your continued interest and support of Everglades National Park.