

Week One of Sea Turtle Activity

By Maria Lamb

The first two sea turtle nests on Collier County beaches were reported; one by the Collier County Sea Turtle Protection Team on Barefoot Beach and the other by the Conservancy of SW Florida on Keewaydin Island.

Marco Island sea turtle monitors reported the first false crawl on

Wednesday, April 29 and the first nest came ashore on Thursday, April 30, 2026.

Marco Island is part of the Collier County Sea Turtle Protection Program, which is responsible for surveying 22.5 miles of beach for sea turtle activity. The other beaches surveyed are Barefoot, Vanderbilt, Park Shore, and City of Naples.



Sea Turtle Activity April 28 - May 4, 2026

Beach	Nests		False Crawls		Hatched Nests		
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year	Disoriented
Barefoot	2	4	1	1	0	0	0
Delnor Wiggins	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Vanderbilt	3	6	2	3	0	0	0
Parkshore	0	3	0	2	0	0	0
City of Naples	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Keewaydin Is.	1	3	0	1	0	0	0
Sea Oat Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marco Island	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kice and Cape Romano	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
10,000 Islands	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Collier County Totals	9	18	8	12	0	0	0

To report dead, injured or disoriented sea turtles on Marco call 239-289-9736 or 239-289-9687

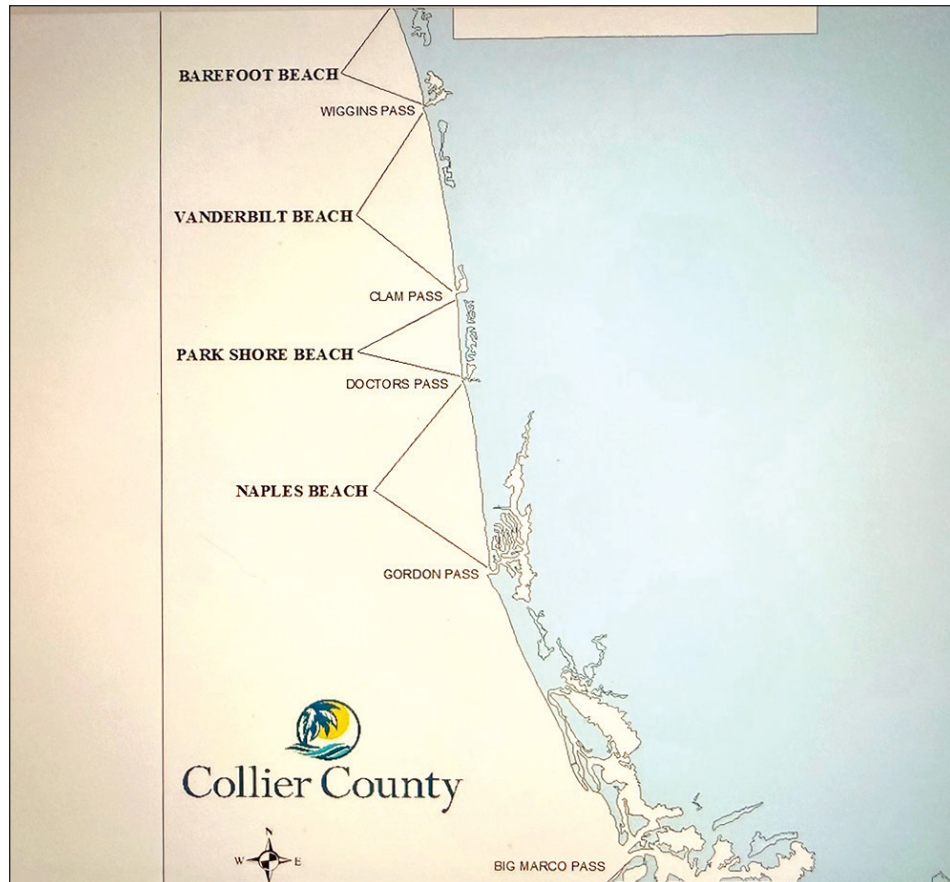


Image from Collier County Sea Turtle Protection Program Annual Report

Marco Island is part of the Collier County Sea Turtle Protection Program.

The purpose of the Collier County Sea Turtle Protection Program is to protect nests and collect data on sea

turtle nesting and hatching activities, to fulfill permit requirements for beach raking and renourishment.

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