

Audubon Florida: Florida's Most Influential Conservation Organization

For more than a century, Audubon has encouraged people to take care of the places that make Florida special. Using science to guide our work and birdlife to measure ecosystem health, Audubon Florida works to protect land, water, and wildlife.

BY THE NUMBERS



100,000 MEMBERS

and supporters around the state in 45 chapters

\$3.2 MILLION

Raised for Everglades Restoration in 2020



88 SANCTUARIES

Protect 89,000 acres of sensitive lands

525 SPECIES

of birds protected in Florida by Audubon policy efforts



Photo: Jean Hall

Our Successes

Secured Everglades Restoration Funding

In 2020, Audubon Florida worked with various stakeholders to secure more than \$600 million for Everglades restoration and water appropriations.

Restoring Critical Wetlands

At Audubon's Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, 670 acres of sensitive wetland habitat have moved through our phase one restoration goal. We are on track to complete phase one with 1,000 acres restored by 2023.

Protecting Rural Lands

Audubon Florida guided the M-CORES task force and Florida DOT to protect important rural lands and wildlife habitats. After many months of meetings, the task forces found no need to build new roads through rural areas and that any capacity needs could be filled by expanding existing infrastructure.

Enhanced Protection for Coastal Birds

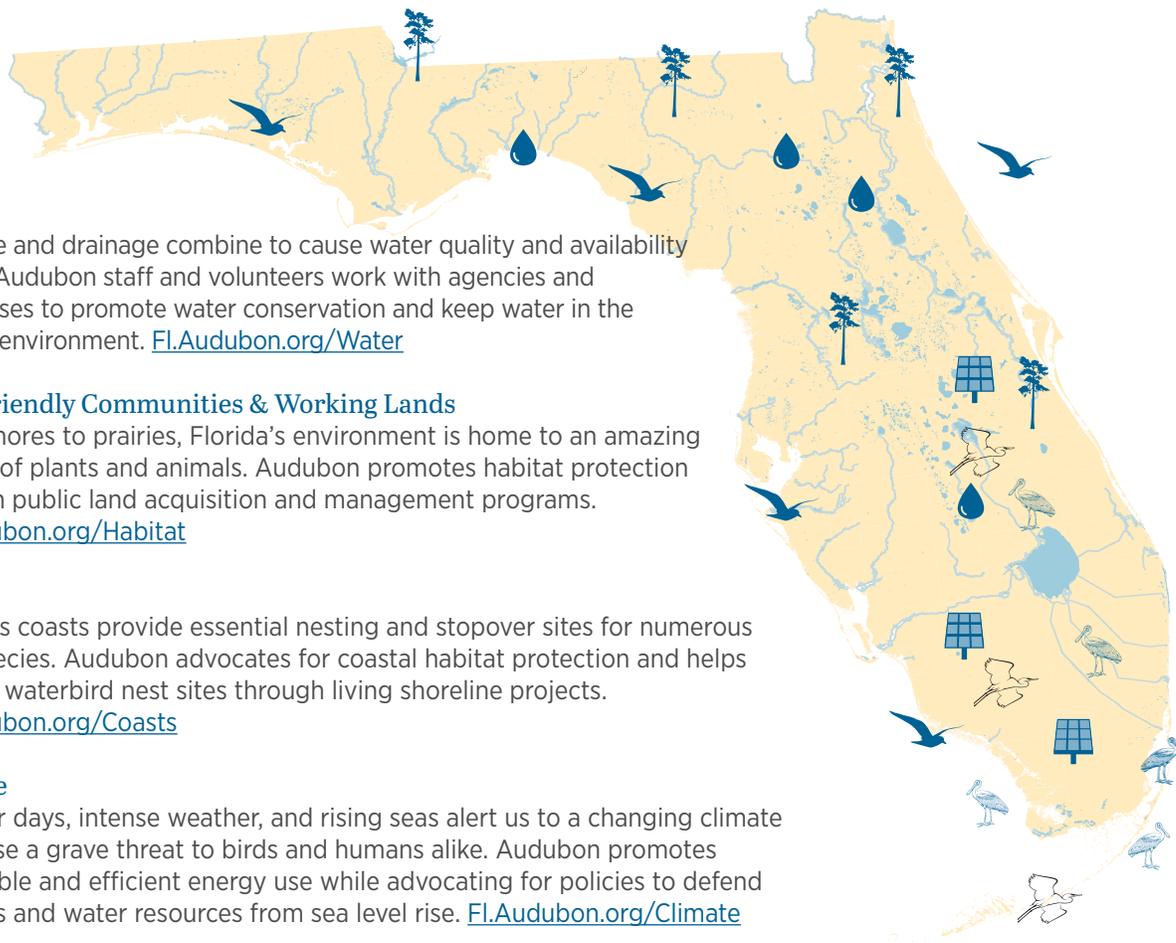
Through a partnership with National Fish & Wildlife Foundation, we secured \$3.2 million to support coastal bird management. The funds will address critical conservation needs such as expanding recovery of shorebird and seabird populations.

Secured Land Conservation Wins

By supporting Florida Forever funding, Audubon works to protect vulnerable natural resources. In 2020, the Florida Cabinet approved the protection of nearly 38,000 acres from the Panhandle's Emerald Coast, to North Florida's springs country, to the prairies of Southwest Florida, using state Florida Forever dollars.

STATEWIDE IMPACT

Audubon is Florida's most influential conservation organization and leads efforts to preserve the Everglades, coastal bird habitats, and other special places alongside managing sanctuaries that cover thousands of acres along with two popular nature centers.



Water



Overuse and drainage combine to cause water quality and availability issues. Audubon staff and volunteers work with agencies and businesses to promote water conservation and keep water in the natural environment. [Fl.Audubon.org/Water](https://www.flaudubon.org/Water)



Bird-Friendly Communities & Working Lands

From shores to prairies, Florida's environment is home to an amazing variety of plants and animals. Audubon promotes habitat protection through public land acquisition and management programs. [Fl.Audubon.org/Habitat](https://www.flaudubon.org/Habitat)



Coasts

Florida's coasts provide essential nesting and stopover sites for numerous bird species. Audubon advocates for coastal habitat protection and helps protect waterbird nest sites through living shoreline projects. [Fl.Audubon.org/Coasts](https://www.flaudubon.org/Coasts)



Climate

Warmer days, intense weather, and rising seas alert us to a changing climate and pose a grave threat to birds and humans alike. Audubon promotes renewable and efficient energy use while advocating for policies to defend habitats and water resources from sea level rise. [Fl.Audubon.org/Climate](https://www.flaudubon.org/Climate)



America's Everglades

Since stopping the plume trade, Audubon has defended America's Everglades against many human threats. Audubon continues to provide critical science and leads state and national advocacy to restore balanced water and wildlife to the Greater Everglades Ecosystem. [Fl.Audubon.org/Everglades](https://www.flaudubon.org/Everglades)



Audubon on the Ground

Audubon Center for Birds of Prey | Maitland, Florida | [AudubonCenterforBirdsofPrey.org](https://www.AudubonCenterforBirdsofPrey.org)

Clinic treats **700+** raptors each year. **35,000** visitors & education program participants annually.

Audubon's Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary | Naples, Florida | [Corkscrew.Audubon.org](https://www.Corkscrew.Audubon.org)

Explore the world's largest remaining, old-growth bald cypress forest on the **2.25** mile boardwalk through ancient forest & marsh. **100,000** visitors & education program participants annually.

Audubon's Everglades Science Center | Tavernier, Florida | Victoria.Johnston@Audubon.org

For 80 years, Audubon field scientists have monitored conditions in the Everglades and guided conservation and restoration decisions. Contact Vicky Johnston for an appointment.