

Status of Terrapin Research in Mississippi

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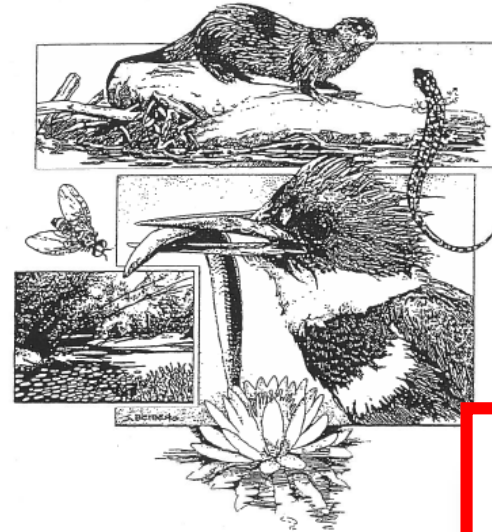
Terrapin Research Needs in Mississippi

- Statewide Distribution and Abundance
 - Mann 1993-1994
 - Other Studies
 - Coleman and Pitchford – Bayou Caddy
 - C. Mohrman – Grand Bay
 - H. Perry – Coastwide, fisheries bycatch.

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Population Surveys for
Diamondback Terrapins (*Malaclemys terrapin*)
and
Gulf Salt Marsh Snakes (*Nerodia clarkii clarkii*)
in Mississippi

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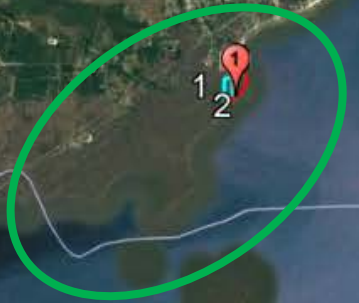
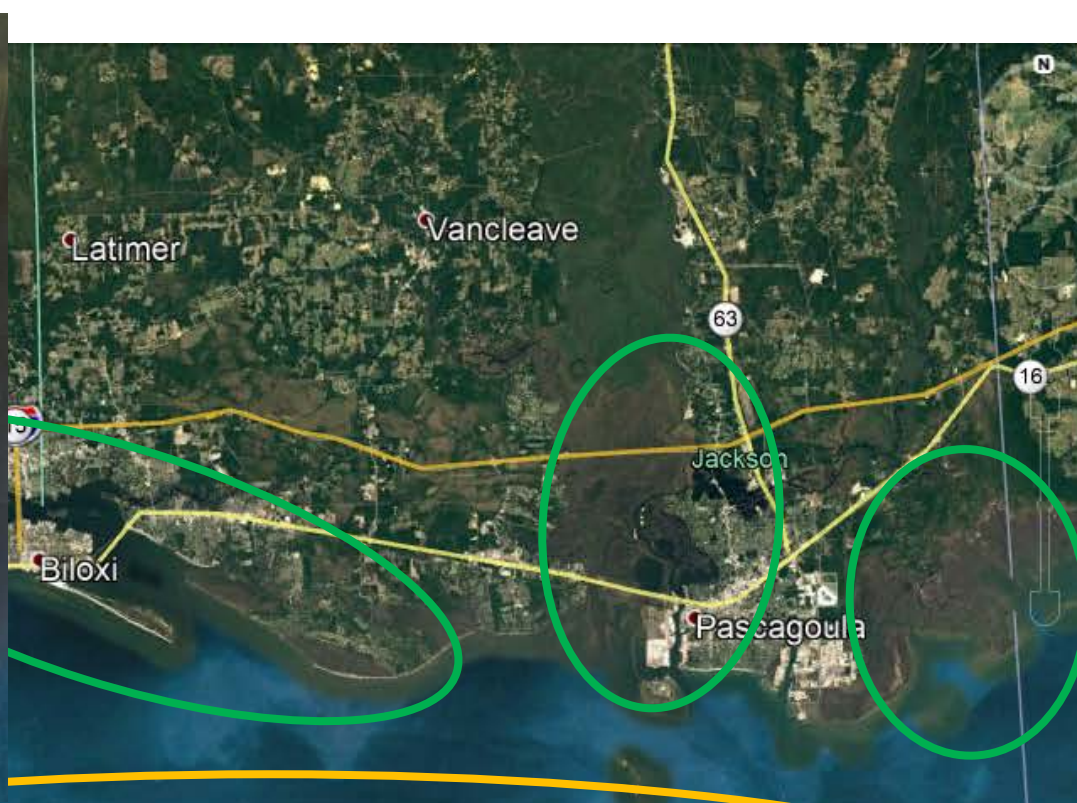
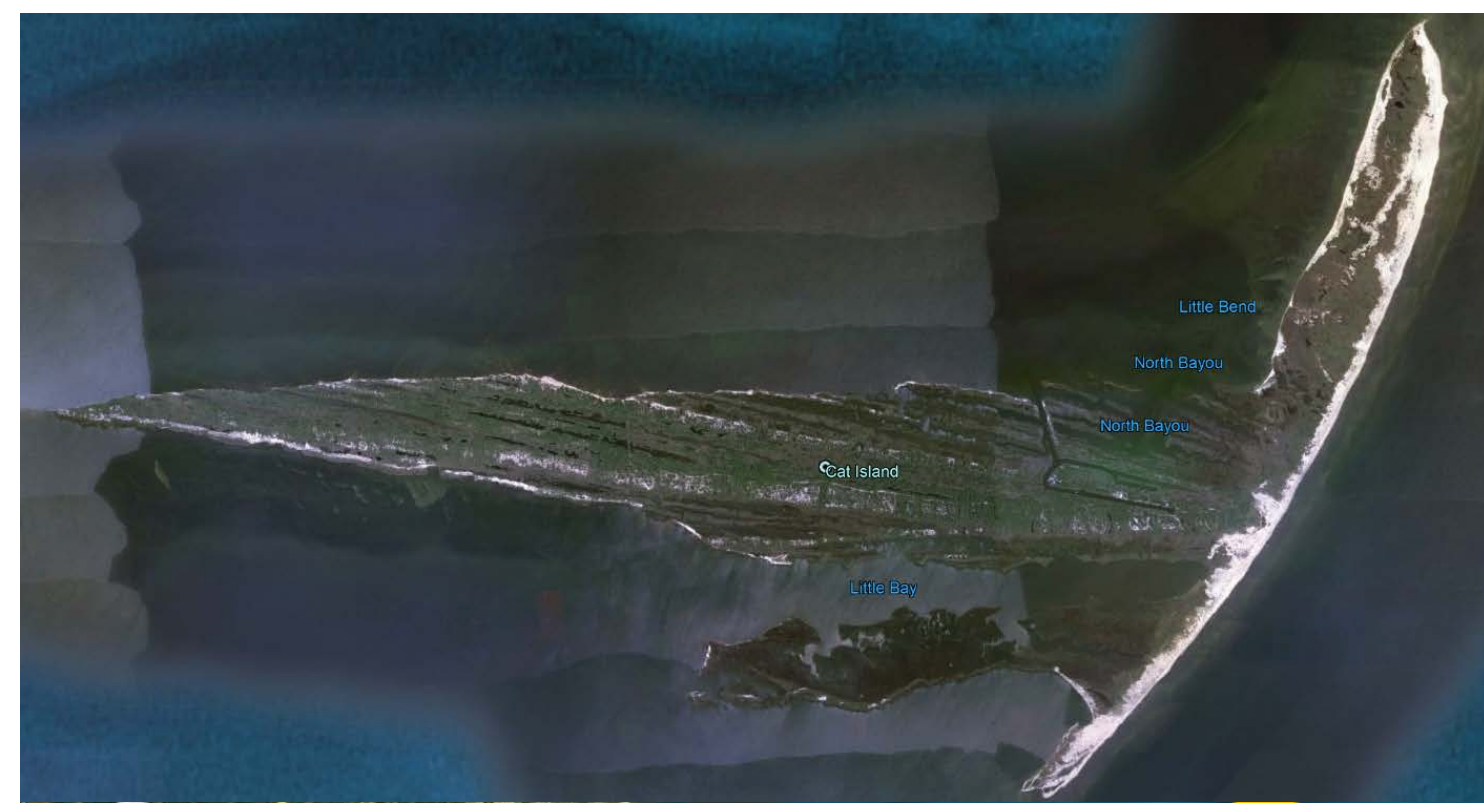
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MALACLEMYS TERRAPIN PILEATA (MISSISSIPPI DIAMONDBACK TERRAPIN)
HIGH Conduct population estimates

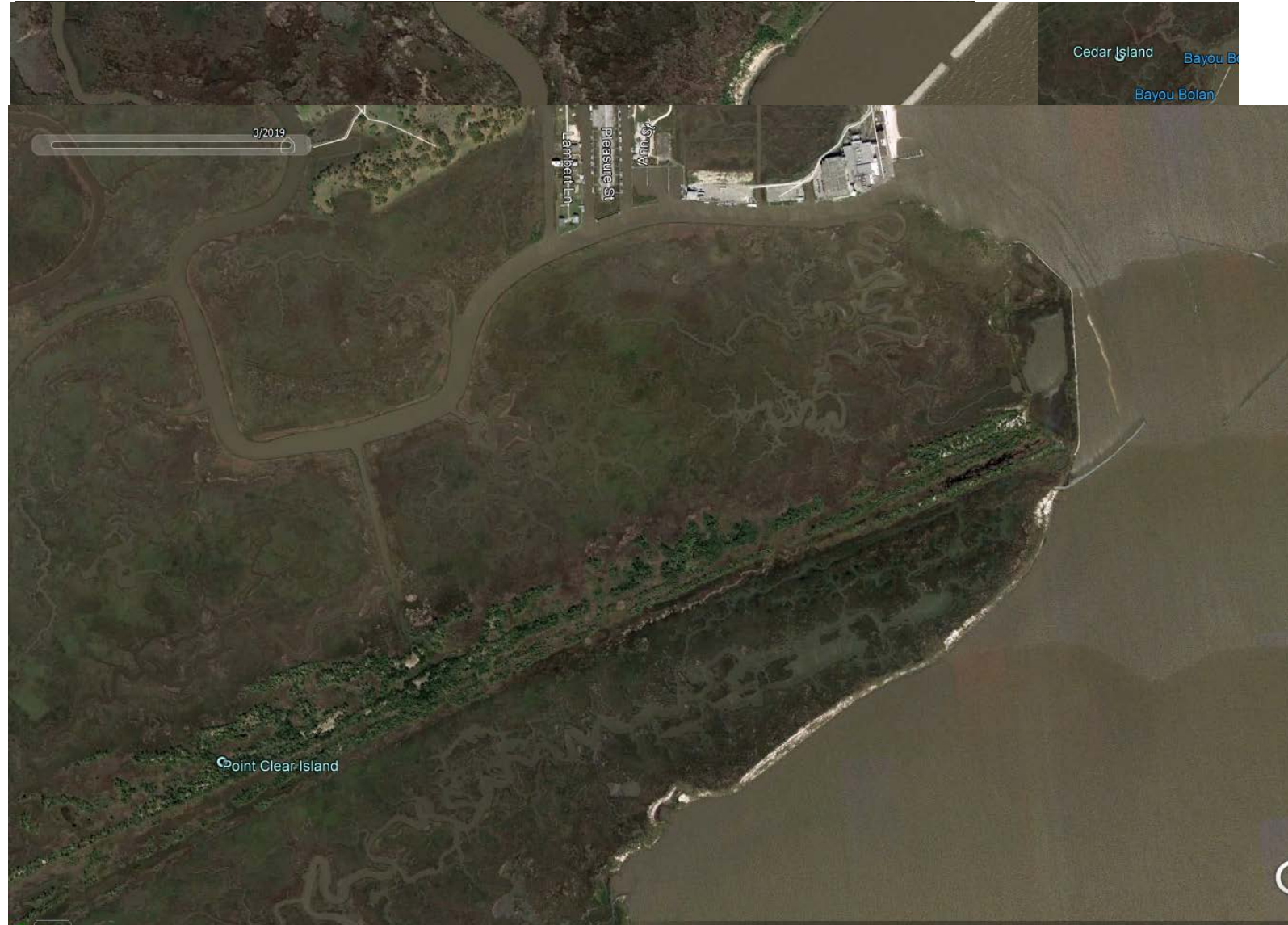
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- Effects of Restoration Activities on Terrapins
 - Singing River Island?
 - Round Island?
 - Deer Island?



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- Effects of Restoration Activities on Terrapins
 - Bayou Caddy and Heron Bay?
 - Point Clear Island?



Point Clear Island

- MS Coastal Preserve/Private
- Historical Nesting Data
 - Mann 1993/1994
 - Coleman 2010
- Summer 2021
 - Bi-weekly surveys - A.G. Boxx, Millsaps Honor's Project
 - Objectives
 - Nesting Density
 - Nesting Phenology
 - Nesting Frequency
 - Long-term comparison.



Questions?

