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Outreach: Documenting the Coontie Island Collection

Staff from the Northeast and East Central Regions partnered with Dr. Jon Endonino at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) to analyze and digitally document a legacy collection from Coontie Island in St. Augustine. The collection of stone tools and beads is one of the largest from the Archaic period in Florida and will help researchers understand intense trades networks throughout the Southeast. It was collected from eroding shorelines in the 1920s and has been held in private ownership since. This project will allow the collections to be accessible to the public and other researchers through 3D models, with publications forthcoming. The project was sponsored in part by funding from the St. Augustine Archaeological Association and EKU.



Emily Jane Murray helps with analysis of the roughly hundred projectile points from the Coontie Island collection.

Outreach: People of Guana Community Conversation about Heritage at Risk

In May, staff from the Northeast Region held the first Community Conversation (CCHAR) event for the People of Guana Project. The event featured a coastal walk to talk about the landscape of the Guana River, as well as how it has changed in the past and changes it could see in the future. After, staff sat down to ask participants about their thoughts on coastal heritage, the threats it faces, and who can do what to help protect resources. This data will be combined with an anonymous stakeholder survey as well as answers from other CCHAR events to help guide archaeological research during the project.



FPAN in the Media:

- “One Feeds The Other: The Cycle of Environmental and Social Injustice Impacts on Gullah/Geechee Heritage Sites,” Essay in Spark: Elevating Scholarship on Social Issues
 - <https://medium.com/national-center-for-institutional-diversity/one-feeds-the-other-the-cycle-of-environmental-and-social-injustice-impacts-on-gullah-geechee-3609c59de3f9>