



Southeast Region – Annual Report July 2021 to June 2022

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Highlight-Assistance to the Division of Historical Resources: Monitoring at the Miami Circle



Photo 1: Miami Circle February 2021 prior to DHR improvements

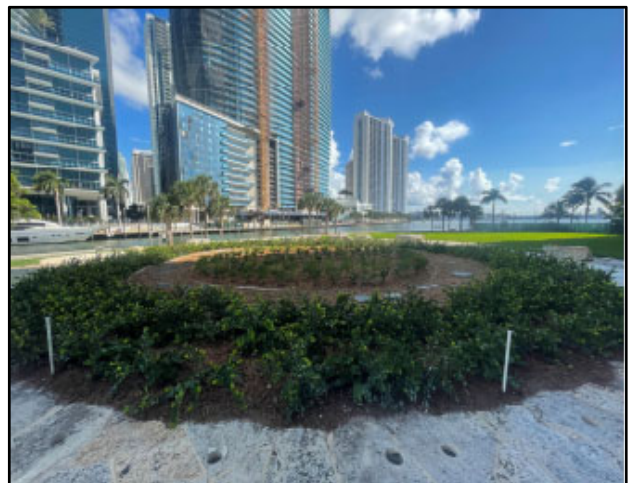


Photo 2: Miami Circle following DHR improvements

Over the summer, FPAN SE staff led by Malachi Fenn were privileged to assist the Division of Historical Resources (DHR) with monitoring during improvements to the Miami Circle. This centrally located National Landmark is one of the few remaining green spaces located in a densely populated urban center. It follows that people in the surrounding buildings often walk and take their pets to the area, resulting in wear and tear to the landscaping at the site.

In an attempt to resolve this issue, the DHR improved the area with updated landscaping and features like a small fence to keep people and dogs away from the main circle as well as the Hummingbird circle. Over the next few months, FPAN staff look forward to coordinating with local groups to raise awareness about the history of the area and how it can be protected for future years.

**First Quarter July 2021-September 2021:
Address Impact of Climate Change on Archaeological Resources: Assistance to the Bureau of Land Management**



Photo 3: View of recently constructed living shoreline at the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area

During the first quarter, FPAN SE staff assisted the Bureau of Land Management with construction of a living shoreline on the vulnerable southwestern side of the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area. This site had experienced significant erosion, with feet of shoreline being lost. FPAN staff including Sara Ayers-Rigsby, Malachi Fenn, and Diana Hutchison assisted with monitoring during construction of the living shoreline to ensure that the archaeological site would not be damaged by the project.

**Second Quarter October 2021-
December 2021:**

**Address Impact of Climate Change on Archaeological Resources:
Documenting King Tides at Bill Baggs State Park**

Each fall, southeast Florida experiences unusually high King Tides. FPAN SE staff visited Bill Baggs State Park to assist the park with documenting the impacts of King Tides to their archaeological and historical sites. Documenting historical sites during King Tides can help provide a window to the future to gauge what South Florida will look like with higher sea levels and increased flooding episodes.



Photo 4: View of King Tides from the Bill Baggs Cape Florida Lighthouse



Third Quarter January 2022-March 2022:

Viability and Service to Host Institution: Visit with FAU Scientific Dive Class to *Copenhagen*

FPAN SE staff, along with FPAN WC staff and staff from Florida Atlantic University, took FAU's Scientific Dive Class out to the *SS Copenhagen*. The trip was coordinated by Lizzie McNamee, FAU's Dive Safety Officer. The goal of the trip was to introduce new scientific divers, who are involved with diverse research from coral to engineering, to submerged cultural heritage. Before the trip, students had to attend an evening class facilitated by McNamee and FPAN staff, which introduced students to protections surrounding submerged cultural heritage, the Museums in the Sea program, and this history of the *Copenhagen* itself. Through facilitating awareness of submerged cultural resources, FPAN hopes to improve knowledge and engagement with archaeological sites within the AAUS scientific diving community.

Fourth Quarter April 2022-June 2022

Education and Outreach: Co-Hosting the Florida Anthropological Society Annual Conference with the Archaeological Society of Southern Florida and the University of Miami

In May, FPAN SE staff partnered with the Archaeological Society of Southern Florida and the University of Miami to co-host the annual Florida Anthropological Society. The weekend conference featured participants from around the state and highlighted work currently taking place in south Florida. A highlight of the conference was a keynote speech by Dr. Justin Dunnivant, of the UCLA. Dr. Dunnivant is co-founder of the Society for Black Archaeologists.



Photo 6: FAS Keynote Speaker Dr. Justin Dunnivant