

Add [the Humane Society](#) to FNPS and other state and national conservation organizations opposing Amendment 2 on the Florida ballot. Vote NO on Amendment 2, the so-called “right to hunt and fish,” which opens the door for potential attacks on wildlife.

LINK: <https://www.humanesociety.org/blog/florida-vote-no-amendment-2-right-to-hunt>

In May of 2022, I, along with numerous other volunteers, installed thousands of native plants on Little Nana Dune on Amelia Island to prevent further wind erosion. [Interesting 2+ year follow up](#) on the success and shortcomings of the project.

If you’ve ever tried planting in dune, it is a major pain in the neck, not least because sand is incredibly hard to water when helping plants establish.

<https://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/nassauco/2024/09/27/case-study-restoring-little-nana-dune-with-native-beach-plants/>

The preliminary design for the Jaguars stadium renovations include highly reflective glass surfaces on the outside. Surfaces like these promote bird strikes and deaths. Duval Audubon Society, Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens, and partners have drafted [a letter to Mayor Deegan](#) requesting to meet and discuss options for bird friendly design.

Your support is requested in telling Deegan you support bird friendly design measures and request her to require contractors to utilize them in the new stadium.

Reach out Deegan and let her know you support a bird friendly Jaguars Stadium. It's quick, easy and only takes a few minutes from the [City of Jacksonville contact the Mayor webpage](#).

LINK:

https://duvalaudubon.org/images//LONF_Jaguars_Stadium_Mayor_Deegan_Letter_9_11_2024.pdf

CONTACT: <https://www.jacksonville.gov/mayor/contact-us>

Duval Audubon Society has applied for a “Plants for Birds” grant from Audubon to create a nature habitat within Eartha’s Farm and Market (EFAM). EFAM, an initiative of the Clara White Mission (a 501c3 nonprofit), is a 10.5-acre urban farm located in the historic Moncrief Springs neighborhood of Jacksonville.

Duval Audubon’s goal is to partner with EFAM to build an “Urban Oasis of Nature and Wellness.” The UOONW project will provide the community with education and access to bird watching, nature walks, wellness events, native plant education, and citizen science programs.

The Center for Biological Diversity is partnering with the University of North Florida to establish a ["library of things" pilot project in Jacksonville](#) (and Orlando with a separate organization). These libraries will serve as shared community resources, letting residents borrow a variety of items — from bike-repair kits to board games to generators — just as they’d borrow books from a traditional library.

A Library of Things is a shared community resource where useful items can be borrowed just like books that are in circulation for years, reducing the demand to produce new goods that destroy habitat, generate greenhouse gases, create pollution, and harm wildlife.

Sharing also disrupts the current U.S. economic model that demands endless growth through the constant purchasing of new things. It challenges the traditional consumerist mindset that drives overproduction and leads to items getting thrown away after only a few uses.

The [Jacksonville Library of Things pilot](#), located at University of North Florida dormitories, is looking for donations of board games, kitchen items, phone chargers and tools to be used by students living in the dorms, based on a needs assessment conducted with students in partnership with the University.

LINK:

https://www.biologicaldiversity.org/programs/population_and_sustainability/sustainability/library_of_things?emci=7c3ca3e2-006f-ef11-991a-6045bdd9e096&emdi=dffeb261-a379-ef11-991a-6045bdee6681&ceid=1955550

Thanks to petitioning from the Center for Biological Diversity back in 2010, The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently proposed listing [the Black Creek crayfish](#) as endangered under the Endangered Species Act.

The species occupies a small range in the lower St. Johns River Watershed in northeastern Florida. As a result of the crayfish's limited range, the Service predicts that every remaining population could be harmed by a single catastrophic event.

LINK: https://biologicaldiversity.org/w/news/press-releases/floridas-black-creek-crayfish-to-receive-endangered-species-act-protections-2024-09-09/?utm_source=eeo&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eeo1262&utm_term=EndangeredSpecies&emci=8fc10765-cd6e-ef11-991a-6045bdd9e096&emdi=7670c354-3371-ef11-991a-6045bda8aae9&ceid=1955550