

A state legislator in the Panhandle wants to reinstitute a black bear hunt in Florida, an atrociously bad idea based on a precedent set the last time this was tried in 2015. Hundreds of bears were slaughtered on the first day of the hunt, including dozens of lactating mother bears, which served as a death sentence to their cubs as well.

This article explains how the lack of mandatory municipal trash removal in the county is luring bears closer to people which is resulting in the increased human-bear interactions.

LINK: <https://floridaphoenix.com/2023/10/05/as-florida-county-grapples-with-bear-encounters-one-lawmaker-calls-for-a-bear-hunt/>

Why do conservation groups ask corporations and homeowners to turn their lights off at night during spring and fall migration? A major bird collision occurred in Chicago, this week, killing countless migrating birds — so many that [1,000 died at a single building](#), the highest number on record.

Weather patterns played a role in this event, but the most critical issue is an ongoing threat to wild bird survival: glass and light. Collisions with glass result in a staggering loss of up to 1 billion birds each year in the United States.

A heartbreaking nightly tragedy for birds across America that is completely avoidable.

PHOTO:

https://www.instagram.com/p/CyEZ4EEMit6/?igshid=NmQ4MjZlMjE5YQ%3D%3D&img_index=1

The Fort Lauderdale mayor intends to spend [\\$500 million](#) to make his city more “water resilient” – from storm surge, sea level rise and increasingly common flooding as the result of thunderstorms. It appears all of his efforts will be focused on so-called “gray” infrastructure – concrete and steel – more and larger storm drains, seawalls, etc. No mention in this story of “green” infrastructure – wetlands, native plants and trees, dune and mangrove restoration, etc.

LINK: <https://www.local10.com/news/local/2023/10/04/fort-lauderdale-mayor-looks-to-pour-500m-into-fighting-rising-seas-tides/>

[Amelia’s Native Wildflowers](#) opened a physical location selling native plants at 97045 Miller Road, Yulee directly across from the Dollar General off Chester Road. Open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9-2.

Stop by and say “hello.”

LINK:

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New York City will be mandating composting citywide. [Here’s how they’ll do it.](#)

LINK: https://www.fastcompany.com/90958959/new-york-city-mandatory-curb-side-composting?utm_source=newsletters&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=FC%20-%20Compass%20Newsletter.Newsletter%20-%20FC%20-%20Compass%2010-2-23&leadId=2007767&mkt_tok=NjEwLUxFRS04NzIAAAG0jzIIQNnobVd84p-

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More terrible news for [corals in the Florida Keys](#).

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