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prnt Fwd: Case #2814 "Bellows Beach Nest" 11 June 2015

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 To: George Balazs - NOAA Federal <george.balazs@noaa.gov>

Tue, Jun 16, 2015 at 7:18 PM

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From: **Natalie Dornan** <ndoman@hawaii.edu>

Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2015 at 2:27 AM

Subject: Case #2814 "Bellows Beach Nest" 11 June 2015

To: George Balazs <george.balazs@noaa.gov>, Shandell Brunson <shandell.brunson@noaa.gov>, Devon Francke <Devon.Francke@noaa.gov>, UH-Manoa Marine Option Program <manoamop@hawaii.edu>, Dane W <walindane@gmail.com>, "garcia27@hawaii.edu" <garcia27@hawaii.edu>

Case: 2814

Date: 11 June 2015

Agent: Natalie Dornan

Reported by: John Dougherty

Phone: (218) 329-6865

Call received: 0743

On site: -

Location: Bellows Beach

GPS: 21.37611N, 157.70967W

CCL: -

Species: Cm

Status: Alive

Tags: -

Tumors: -

Descriptive remarks: I received a page from John at 0743 regarding a live green sea turtle that nested at Bellows Beach Air Force Station the previous evening (6/10/15). John explained to me that he worked at Bellows and had noticed the turtle attempting to come onshore multiple times at dusk the previous evening several times but retreated due to harassment by beachgoers. John then noticed the turtle again at 2100 haul up and safely deposit her eggs (saying there were "lots and lots of eggs"), returning to the water at around 2300. John then went out early this morning (6/11) and recorded the approximate location of the nest via GPS (see GPS location above). John described the nesting site to be well concealed and not in a location that would be threatened by visitors. He explained the location of the nest to be directly in front of the shower/changing house just east of the 10 camper cabins at the end of Beach Walk Lane. John told me that he notified security guards of the location to ensure that the nest would be protected. John was extremely kind, thorough, and was happy to have the turtle lay her eggs at Bellows where he believes it could be well protected. John called us as a result of wanting to report the nest and not knowing who to call. I told John I would surely write a report, gave him the number for DOCARE in the event he felt the need for enforcement backup, and told him I would call the TRP assistant line to ask if any additional steps would be taken. I then called the assistant line and Shandell confirmed that we would forward the report to Fish and Wildlife, who would handle it from there. I then called John back to confirm this and thanked him for his report and consideration of the turtle's nest, and asked if he could provide me with any photos of the nest and location. John promptly sent me numerous photos of the location, and was very please with the information I provided him and quite happy to have reported the nest.

Please see attached photos of the turtle and approximate location of the nest and nesting area.

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PRNT- Fwd: Kailua 6/2015 Nesting Turtle tracks

1 message

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Wed, Jun 17, 2015 at 7:19 AM

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From: **honu world** <itsahonuworlindhawaii@hotmail.com>
 Date: Sun, Jun 7, 2015 at 3:13 PM
 Subject: Kailua 6/2015 Nesting Turtle tracks
 To: "george.balazs@noaa.gov" <george.balazs@noaa.gov>

> From: morrisr005@hawaii.rr.com
 > To: itsahonuworlindhawaii@hotmail.com
 > Subject: Fw: Fwd: Turtle tracks
 > Date: Thu, 4 Jun 2015 16:00:29 -1000

> Turtle crawl Kailua beach RM

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Rich Carvill
 > Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2015 1:00 PM
 > To: Bob Morris
 > Subject: Fwd: Turtle tracks

> The side of the tree and house alignment gives you a good line and
 > the trail stopped at the bank, for a very definitive point. Good luck.
 > Rich

> ----- Forwarded message -----

> From: R W Scheurenbrand <koaguitars@hawaii.rr.com>
 > Date: Thu, Jun 4, 2015 at 8:48 AM
 > Subject: Turtle tracks
 > To: Rich Carvill <rich@carvillco.com>

> Rich, I hope your friend finds these photos useful. I have other photos
 > but they don't show the location. If he would want later files, I can
 > send. If need, let me know.

> Aloha,
 > Rollo

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Fwd: Photos of nesting turtle at Bellows

1 message

Devon Francke - NOAA Affiliate <devon.francke@noaa.gov>

Fri, Jun 26, 2015 at 3:05 PM

To: Shandell Brunson - NOAA Federal <shandell.brunson@noaa.gov>, George Balazs - NOAA Federal <George.Balazs@noaa.gov>, Todd Jones - NOAA Federal <todd.jones@noaa.gov>

Hi All,

Just got an email and photos from contact Craig Gorsuch (808-927-1867, craig.gorsuch.ctr@us.af.mil) reporting a green turtle that nested in front of cabin 155 at Bellows Air Force Base Beach last night, 6/25/15. He didn't see the nesting personally, but it was reported to him by beachgoers who took the photos and gave him the following info:

The turtle came up once and sat under a bench on the beach for about 30 minutes, then returned to the water. It came back up onto the beach a short time later and climbed all the way up to the bottom of the sand dune (well above high tide line) and laid its nest. The photos do seem to indicate the turtle throwing sand with its front flippers.

Craig has put an orange plastic fence around the area where the turtle nested. He thinks this may be the same female that nested very close nearby on the evening of June 10, on the same beach. He said there will be more photos to send next week, of higher quality, that the original contacts promised to send him.

Thanks, and let me know if you have any questions.

Devon

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From: GORSUCH, CRAIG H CTR USAF PACAF 18 FSS DET 2/Environmental <craig.gorsuch.ctr@us.af.mil>

Date: Fri, Jun 26, 2015 at 2:58 PM

Subject: RE: Photos of nesting turtle at Bellows

To: Devon Francke - NOAA Affiliate <devon.francke@noaa.gov>

Aloha Devin,

I'll send more info next week!

Mahalo,
Craig

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Colorado State University
Environmental Program Manager

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-----Original Message-----

From: Devon Francke - NOAA Affiliate [<mailto:devon.francke@noaa.gov>]

Sent: Friday, June 26, 2015 2:31 PM
To: GORSUCH, CRAIG H CTR USAF PACAF 18 FSS DET 2/Environmental
Subject: Photos of nesting turtle at Bellows

Hi Craig,

Nice to speak with you again! If you could send any photo(s) that you may have of the nesting turtle from the eve of 6/25/15 on Bellows Beach, we'd love to see them.

Thanks!

Devon

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