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**Many have helped study  
the Hawaiian sea turtle**

The French Frigate Shoals (FFS) are the primary nesting grounds for the Hawaiian green sea turtle. Most of Hawaii's "honu" go to nest on East Island, FFS, from May to September.

On June 1, exactly 25 years ago, the Hawaiian sea turtle tagging program officially began. It has continued uninterrupted to this day. Since 1973, research conducted there has revealed much about the mating, nesting and migratory habits of the Hawaiian green sea turtle.

The tagging program at FFS is a success story. The number of nesting females continues to grow steadily as the honu population struggles its way back to recovery. They've had plenty of help along the way, thanks to the dedicated team of researchers and volunteers at both your federal and state levels.

We want to express profound appreciation to all those who have contributed to the success of the FFS sea turtle tagging program.

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(Via the Internet)