

Animal Care and Life Support Board Report

DECEMBER 2019:

- Ray tank repair project for December 1st-12th **tank will be closed to the public during this time.** Stingrays must be removed during repair. Repair will include new coping and exterior work – interior acid washed, bleached and new sand added after refurb completion – animals will begin being added back today. **Tank reopens to guests on 12/13/19**
- Power was cut to Turtle Pavilion panel (line ran in construction zone) which prevents use of turtle lifting davit. We are researching ways to restore power so davit can be utilized to move turtles during temperature drops or necessary displacement during construction - **REPAIRED 12/9/19**
- We are awaiting gate options for flow control/ backflow prevention at discharge culverts for GFL (currently using wood planks on both sides North and South) – we are discharging 100% outflow of lagoon through South culvert as the seagrass nursery is having a very high leaf turnover rate that was blocking the drains when flow was slowed from dividing between two outlets – **Shaun is working with Murray Logan?**
- Ocean pump is running well, all alarms are functioning properly both at the pump house and on main site
- Changed belts on Axial pump , which controls recirculation flow to GFL on **12/9/19**
- All sea turtles are in main lagoon
- Pressure test for Pre-slab pour on Life Support pipes for new building was ~~scheduled for November 22nd~~ completed on 12/10/19
- Mark B. installed pre-purchased Wi-Fi antenna to increase range for additional security cameras
- Tanya Hahn started on 12/9/19 as a part-time Animal Care Technician. She is a graduate of UF and previously worked with ORA (aquaculture)

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