Newscast

Despite red tide, sea turtles laid a near-record number of eggs off Florida's west coast during the 2018 nesting season.

Beginning today, shore-based anglers will be permitted to fish for red drum, also known as channel bass, in Gulf waters extending from the beach-shore line seaward to 30 nautical miles.

Under-Served Communities

Nearly two months after the Southern Poverty Law Center released its report in 2018, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has awarded $73 million in grant funding to help communities affected by natural disasters.

Staff and volunteers at Mote Marine Laboratory are working to capture red tide to study its causes and effects.

Northeast Florida Congressman John Rutherford has introduced a bill that would criminalize the sale of surgeons' caps in the state of Florida.

Floridians who were improperly charged toll fees by Florida's Turnpike earlier this year have been notified they will get their money back.

A clinic in South Florida has been ordered to shut down by the state Health Department after anonymous patients said they were subjected to electroshock therapy.

NASA has conducted a full-up launch abort test for its new rocket, the Space Launch System (SLS), in its third attempt.

As the Fourth of July fast approaches, time to talk about fireworks and people's right to burn fireworks for personal use.

Florida's largest sheriff's office has lost its law enforcement accreditation after a joint review of its operations.

The changing of the guard becomes official at the U.S. Capitol.

Three firms are asking a state appeals court to order a review of the Florida Water Management District's decision to impose a new water use fee on the St. Johns River Water Management District.

The Florida Department of Education has released the results of a new statewide reading test.

The Fourth of July holiday coincides with the peak of turtle nesting season. For sea turtles, the Fourth of July is a dangerous time.

Independence Day celebrations around the Tampa Bay area are expected to be some of the largest in the country.

St. Petersburg-based Jabil [JAY-bull] Incorporated said a styrene explosion at its St. Petersburg, Florida, plant this week injured more than a dozen workers.

The University of South Florida's new president Mark Schreiner met with employees and faculty of the university today.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, Americans spent about $4.1 billion on fireworks last year.

For the second half of the week, there will be fewer protests outside of U.S. Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart's office as part of the Needle Exchange Coalition's 'Operation Cesar Chavez.'

The University of South Florida's School of Law, the nation's first law school, turns 125.

Two decades after the state of Florida passed a law to prevent felons from voting, the Department of State released statistics showing that the number of felons who have had their voting rights restored remains low.

When Amendment 4 passed last November, over a million Floridians were eligible to vote for the first time in their lives.
Beach goers in the Tampa Bay Area are being asked to stay out of the water as an abundance of rotting seaweed continues to fill the area, according to a new study.

The study, which was conducted by researchers at the University of South Florida, found that the amount of seaweed in the area has increased significantly over the past decade. The dense growth of seaweed, which forms a brownish mass that can be up to several feet thick, is known to cause skin irritation and respiratory problems when inhaled by those who are close to it.

The Florida Highway Patrol will be out in extra numbers from Aug. 1 through Aug. 20 due to the increase in cases of skin irritation and respiratory problems. The patrol is urging beachgoers to stay out of the water and to stay away from the seaweed.

The state of Tampa Bay report comes out every Thursday and is used to determine the amount of seaweed in the area. The report is available on the Tampa Bay area’s website, tampa-bay.com.

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The law has been met with controversy, with some groups saying it is too restrictive and others saying it is necessary to protect the state’s ecosystems.

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As a group of felons challenge a new Florida law that says they cannot vote, a judge has ruled that the law is constitutional. The law was passed in 2018 and has been the subject of several court cases.

Several reported cases of flesh-eating bacteria in Florida have been reported in recent weeks. The bacteria, which is known to cause severe skin infections and can be deadly, has been found in the water and on the beaches.

Two members of Congress have joined a new coalition to address the issue of invasive species. The coalition, which is made up of members from both parties, will work to create policies and programs to prevent the spread of invasive species.

The Cuban sandwich might be Florida’s answer to the growing problem of invasive species. The sandwich, which is made with roasted pork, ham, and cheese, is a popular dish in the state and is known for its ability to hold up to high temperatures.
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A proposal to ban Styrofoam products and to limit the use of plastic straws is moving forward in the city of Sarasota. As WUSF's Cathy Carter reports, residents can weigh in at a public hearing tonight.

State economists said Friday that about 260,000 workers are set to lose their unemployment benefits without a state or federal extension.

Troopers in several southern states, including Florida, are increasing patrols and testing out new body-camera technology.

Michael Blakesley, director of the Historical Society of Sarasota County, is calling for a major renovation of the Manatee County Courthouse.

Tampa Mayor Jane Castor is rolling out a program designed to help residents who are struggling with heat.

Miami-Dade County's plans to build a highway across the Everglades are facing opposition from conservationists.

A new study describes the future mass redistribution of humans in the United States.

Officials announced today that the organization that coordinates the distribution of organs is getting a new leadership team.

Tropical Storm Barry formed in the Gulf of Mexico on Friday and was expected to make landfall in southern Louisiana on Saturday.

In a new state law aims to make Florida a leader in sea turtle nesting.

Aflac is buying a Tampa dental insurance company.

More National Guard troops are headed to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Authorities say they are investigating the death of an 18-year-old woman whose body was found in a pond.

Walt Disney World Resort will not be the first Disney resort to introduce face masks due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Hurricane season is back and with it, the "cone of uncertainty."
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The confessed Parkland shooter was back in a Broward courthouse
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This week on The Zest podcast, we learn which point in history can shape us
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Over the last decade, battery-powered cars have become more common. 

Governor Ron DeSantis and the Florida Cabinet have agreed on a plan.

Next week, Hillsborough County Commissioners will discuss a new plan.

As of July 1st, residential drug treatment facilities must follow new guidelines.

The University of Miami is leading a national study.

Lake County commissioners backed a local historic statue.

August starts tomorrow and it often comes with heat.

Exactly which guns would be outlawed under a proposed bill.

For the past eight years, local government leaders have been fighting.

Hezekiah, a 14 year old in Hillsborough County, is affecting the debate.