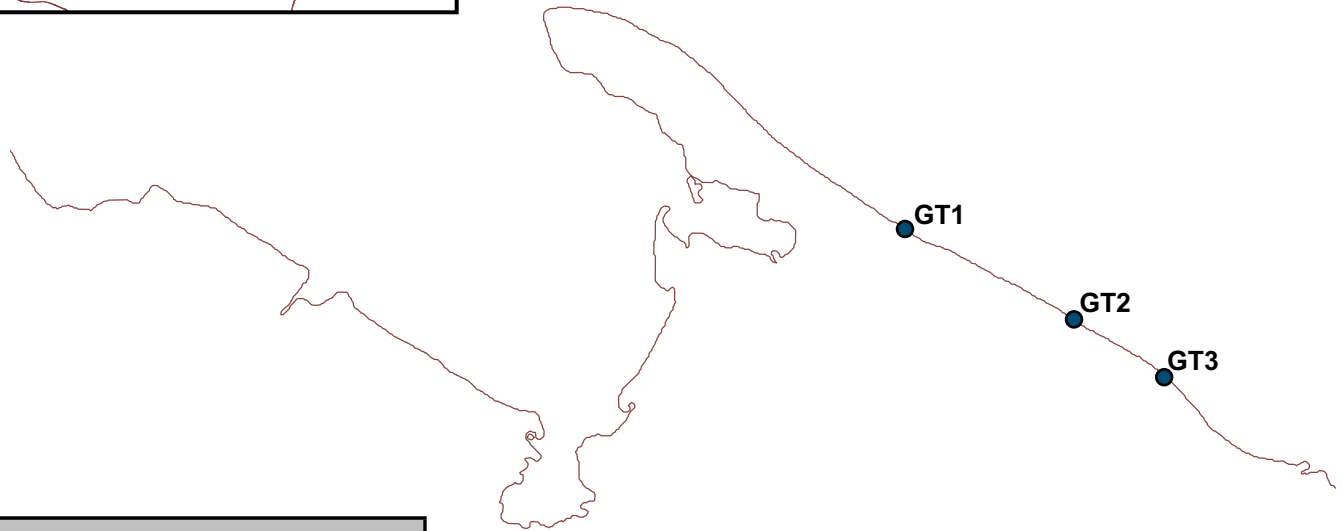


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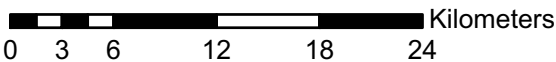
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Sea Turtle Presence	
Loggerhead Turtle <i>(Caretta caretta)</i>	N, F
Green Turtle <i>(Chelonia mydas)</i>	N, F
Leatherback Turtle <i>(Dermochelys coriacea)</i>	N
Hawksbill Turtle <i>(Eretmochelys imbricata)</i>	N, F
Kemp's Ridley Turtle <i>(Lepidochelys kempii)</i>	A
Olive Ridley Turtle <i>(Lepidochelys olivacea)</i>	A
N = Nesting; F = Foraging; IN = Infrequent Nesting; IF = Infrequent Foraging; I = Infrequent (further detail unavailable); A = Absent	

National Policy for the Protection of Sea Turtles	
Complete (indefinite) protection	Yes*
Moratorium (fixed period)	–
Prohibition(s) on take	–
Closed season	No
Minimum size limits	No
Maximum size limits	No
Annual quota	No
Permits/licenses required	Yes**
Gear restrictions	Yes
Area closures (MPA, park, reserve)	Yes
Reports of exploitation/sale nationally	Yes
Reports of illegal trade internationally	Yes
General public awareness of laws	No
Recent prosecutions or penalties	Yes
Enforcement considered adequate	No
Penalties are an adequate deterrent	Yes
E = Eggs; N = Nests; NF = Nesting Females; – = Not Applicable; * Except eggs; ** For receipt	



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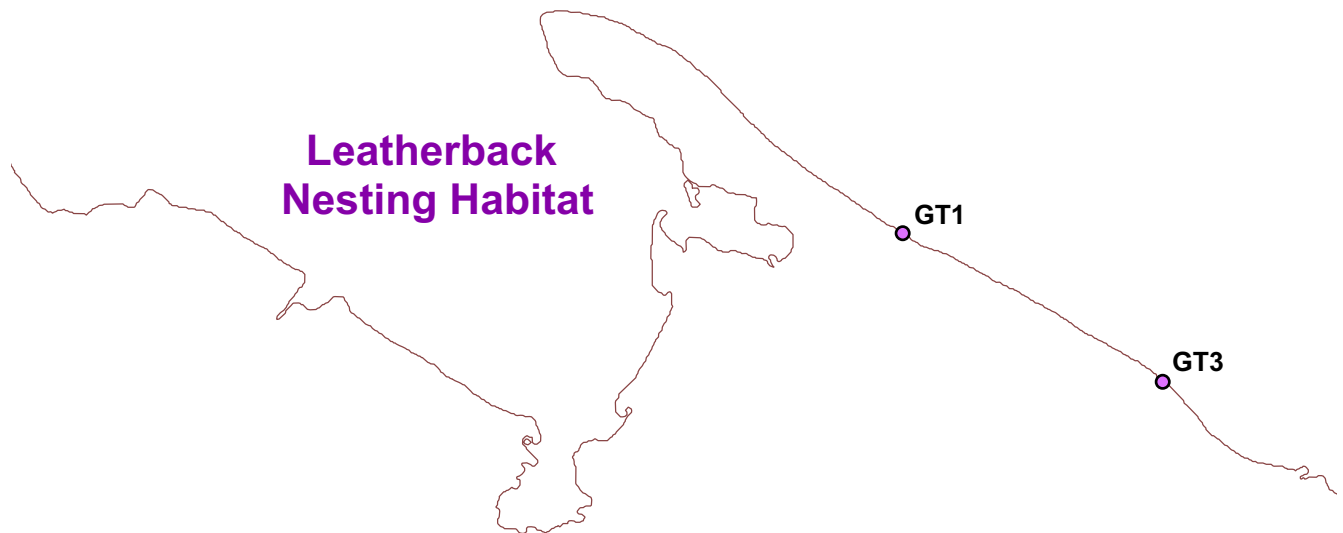
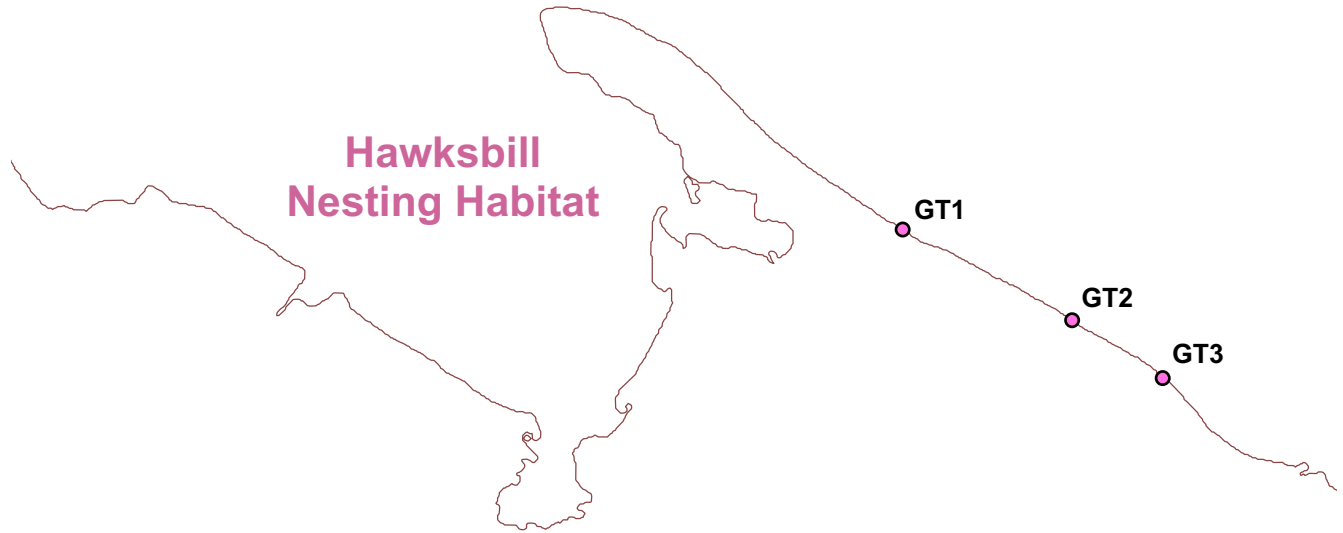
● **Sea Turtle Nesting Habitat**

— **GSHHS Caribbean Shoreline**

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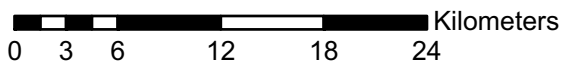
Hawksbill Nesting Habitat

● <25 Crawls per year

Leatherback Nesting Habitat

● <25 Crawls per year

— GSHHS Caribbean Shoreline



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Threats to Sea Turtles - Nesting		
Killing of Nesting Females by Humans	Yes (R)	Very rare inside protected area
Killing of Nesting Females by Predators	No	
Nest Loss to Predators	Yes (O)	Racoons and crabs
Nest Loss to Abiotic Factors	Yes (O)	Flood and Erosion
Egg Collection by Humans	Yes (F)	
Harassment Due to Increased Human Presence	Yes (O)	By egg collectors carrying flashlights
Artificial Lighting	Yes (R)	
Pollution	Yes (F)	Beach litter
Beach Erosion/Accretion	Yes (R)	
Beach Armouring/Stabilization Structures	No	
Beach Nourishment	No	
Recreational Beach Equipment and/or Other Obstacles	Yes (R)	
Mechanized Beach Cleaning	No	
Beach Vehicular Use	No	
Sand Mining	No	
Exotic (or Loss of Native) Vegetation	Unknown	
Livestock Presence on the Beach	Yes (U)	Horses
Occurrence Frequency: R = Rare; O = Occasional; F = Frequent; FA = Frequent in one area; U = Unknown		

Threats to Sea Turtles - Foraging/Migration		
Seagrass Degradation	Yes (U)	Anchor damage
Coral Reef Degradation	Yes (U)	Pollution and sedimentation
Fisheries Bycatch	Unknown	
Hunting/Poaching	No	
Pollution	Yes (F)	Marine debris and runoff from Motagua River
Predators	Yes (U)	
Disease/Parasites	Unknown	
Harassment Due to Increased Human Presence	Yes (R)	
Dredging	Unknown	
Marina and Dock Development	No	
Boat/Personal Water Craft Collisions	Yes (R)	
Power Plant Entrapment	No	
Oil and Gas Exploration, Development, Transportation	No	
Entanglement	Yes (F)	
Offshore Artificial Lighting	No	
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Beach Identification Codes with Beach Names			
GT1	San Francisco del Mar	GT3	Estero Guinea - Montagua
GT2	Jaloa		