WCS Pearl Cays Hawksbill Conservation Project
Monthly Summary—August 2015

- 146 nests recorded in August—2015 season total of 391
- 4 nests affected by poaching (1 Buttonwood, 2 Bottom Tawira, 1 Lime)
- 33 nests excavated—est. 4,353 baby turtles (hatchlings) have gone to sea so far in 2015
- Average of ~7.5 cays surveyed per day
- Total hours of survey in August was 167.85 (average per day: 5.41 hours)
- 12 turtles donated to the project or rescued by WCS teams this month (9 adult hawksbills, 1 adult green, 1 juvenile hawksbill and 1 juvenile green turtle)
- Formal and informal education and outreach about sea turtle conservation and the hawksbill project done with 79 people visiting the Pearl Cays or WCS office in Pearl Lagoon (both national and international visitors).
- Increased human activity in the cays with Korean TV show and lobster fishermen