

Appendix 6

**Critical Habitat for the
Perdido Key Beach Mouse, Choctawhatchee Beach
Mouse, and St. Andrew Beach Mouse; Proposed Rule**

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Choctawhatchee Beach Mouse Critical Habitat Unit Designation
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Unit 1: *Henderson Beach Unit, Okaloosa County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 1 consists of 96 ac (39 ha) in Okaloosa County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Henderson Beach State Park from 0.5 mile east of the intersection of Highway 98 and Scenic Highway 98 to 0.25 mile west of Matthew Boulevard and the area from the mean high water level (MHWL) north to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

Unit 2: *Topsail Hill Unit, Walton County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 2 consists of 309 ac (125 ha) in Walton County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Topsail Hill Preserve State Park, as well as adjacent private lands from 0.1 mile east of Gulf Pines 0.5 mile west of the inlet of Oyster Lake and the area from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of human development or maritime forest.

Unit 3: *Grayton Beach Unit, Walton County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 3 consists of 179 ac (73 ha) in Walton County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Grayton Beach State Park, as well as adjacent private lands and inholdings, from 0.3 mile west of the inlet of Alligator Lake east to 0.8 mile west of Seagrove Beach and the area from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of human development or maritime forest.

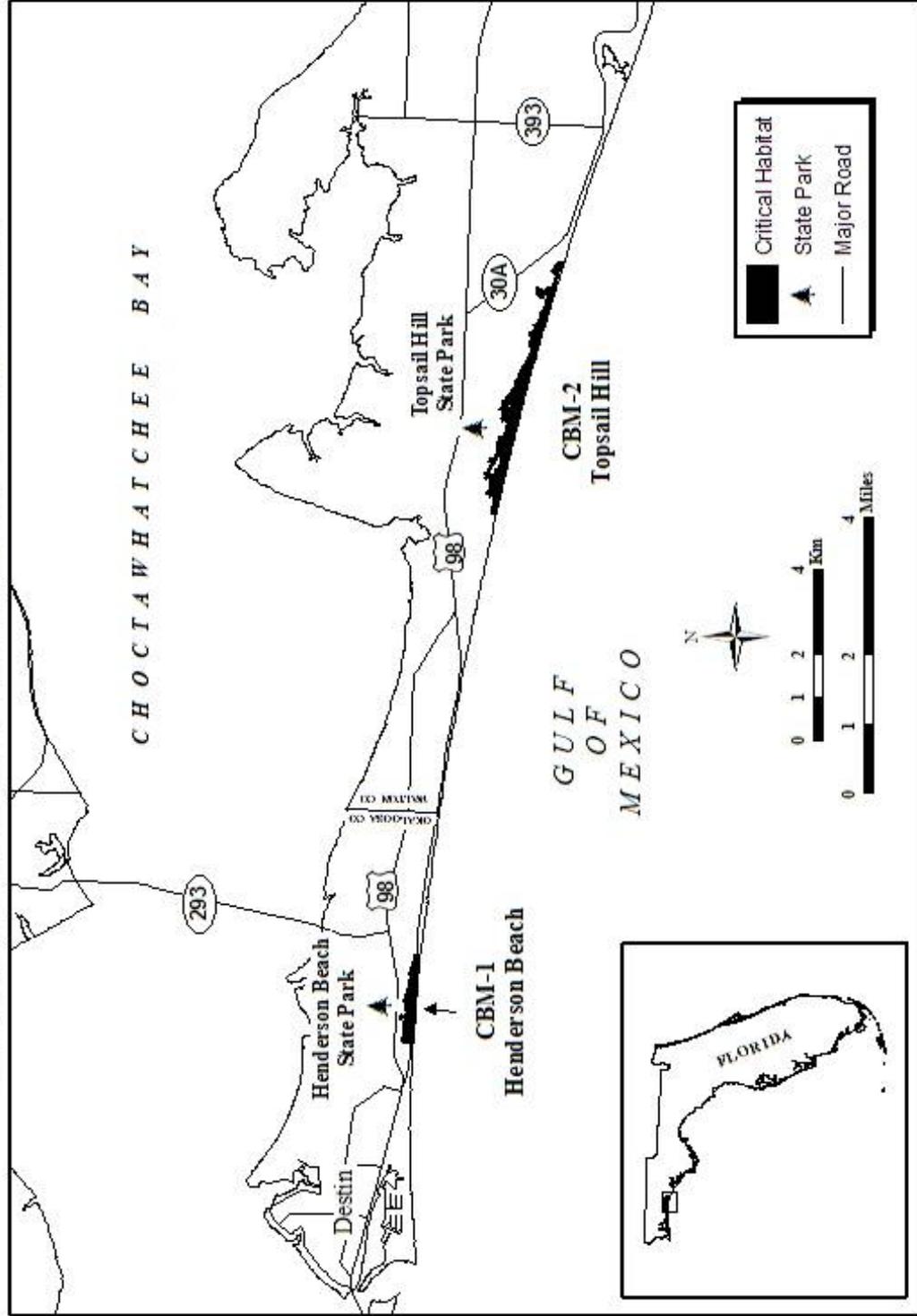
Unit 4: *Deer Lake Unit, Walton County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 4 consists of 49 ac (20 ha) in Walton County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Deer Lake State Park as well as adjacent private lands from approximately 1 mile east of the Camp Creek Lake inlet west to approximately 0.5 mile west of the inlet of Deer Lake and the area from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of maritime forest or human development.

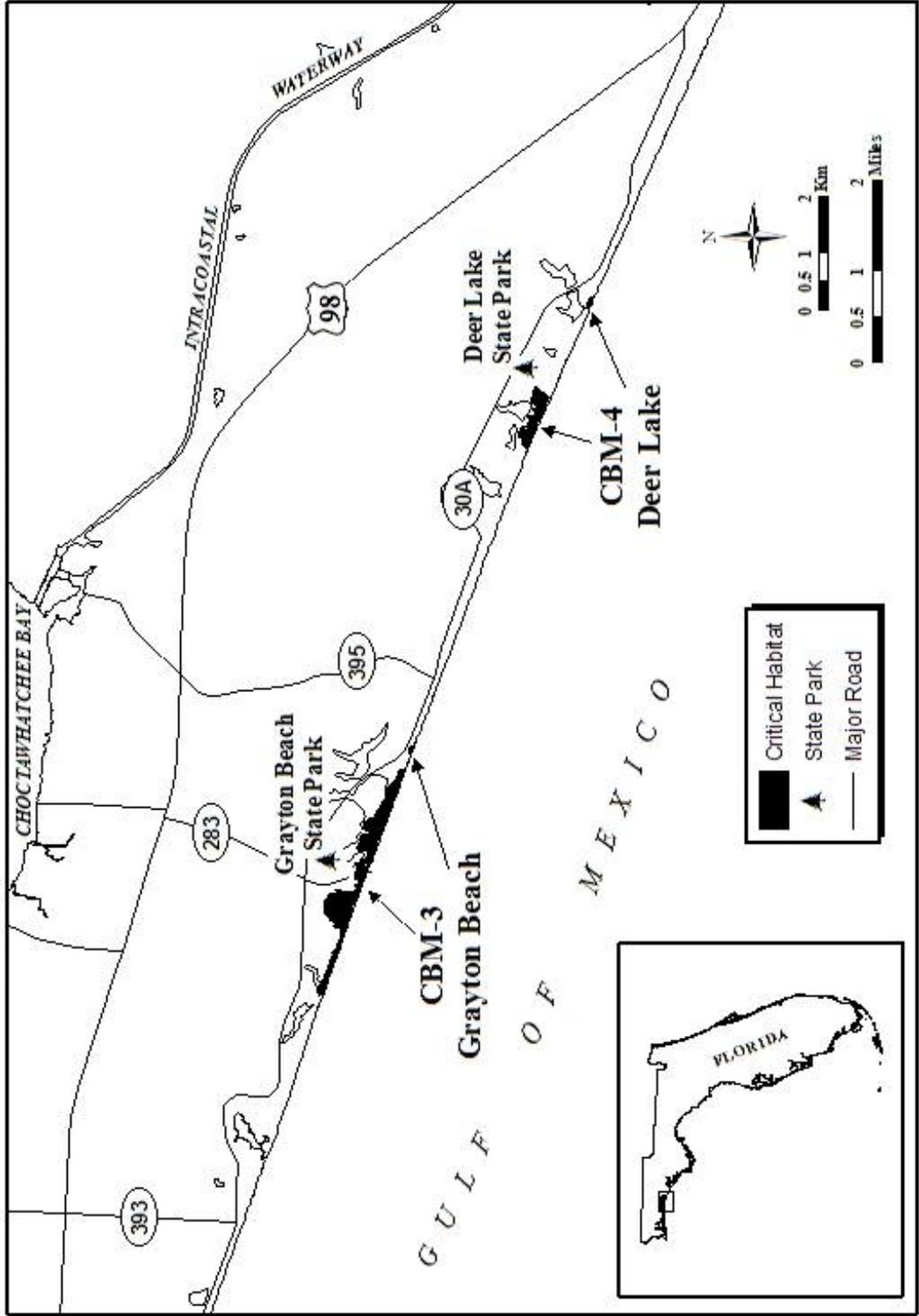
Unit 5: *West Crooked Island/ Shell Island Unit, Bay County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 5 consists of 1,771 ac (716 ha) in Bay County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundaries of St. Andrew State Park mainland from 0.1 mile east of Venture Boulevard east to the entrance channel of St. Andrew Sound, Shell Island east of the entrance of St. Andrew Sound east to East Pass, and West Crooked Island southwest of East Bay and east of the entrance channel of St. Andrew Sound, and areas from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of the maritime forest. Shell Island consists of State lands, Tyndall Air Force Base lands, as well as small private inholdings.

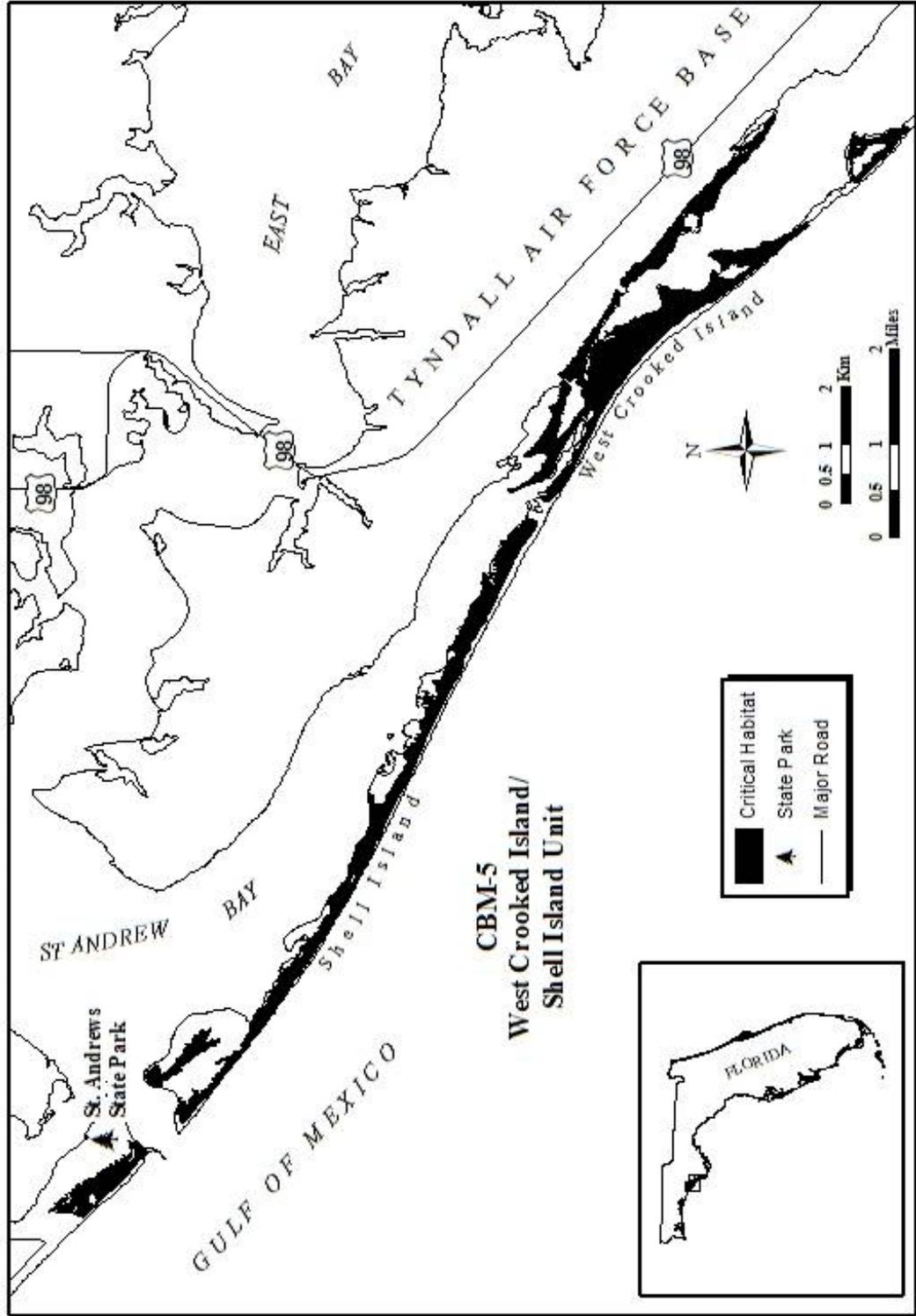
Map 2. Critical Habitat (Henderson Beach and Topsail Hill Units) for the
Choctawhatchee Beach Mouse, Okaloosa and Walton Counties, Florida



Map 3. Critical Habitat (Grayton Beach and Deer Lake Units) for the
Choctawhatchee Beach Mouse, Walton County, Florida



**Map 4. Critical Habitat (West Crooked Island/Shell Island Unit) for the
Choctawhatchee Beach Mouse, Bay County, Florida**



Perdido Key Beach Mouse Critical Habitat Unit Designation
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Unit 1: *Gulf State Park Unit, Baldwin County, Alabama.*

General Description: Unit 1 consists of 115 ac (46 ha) in southern Baldwin County, Alabama, on the westernmost region of Perdido Key. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Gulf State Park from the west tip of Perdido Key at Perdido Pass east to approximately 1 mile west of where the Alabama-Florida state line bisects Perdido Key and the area from the mean high water line (MHWL) north to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

Unit 2: *West Perdido Key Unit, Escambia County, Florida, and Baldwin County, Alabama.*

General Description: Unit 2 consists of 114 ac (46 ha) in southern Escambia County, Florida, and 33 ac (13 ha) in southern Baldwin County, Alabama. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat from approximately 1 mile west of where the Alabama-Florida state line bisects Perdido Key east to 2 miles east of the state line and areas from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of human development or maritime forest.

Unit 3: *Perdido Key State Park Unit, Escambia County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 3 consists of 238 ac (96 ha) in southern Escambia County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Perdido Key State Park from approximately 2 miles east of the Alabama-Florida state line to 4 miles east of the state line and the area from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

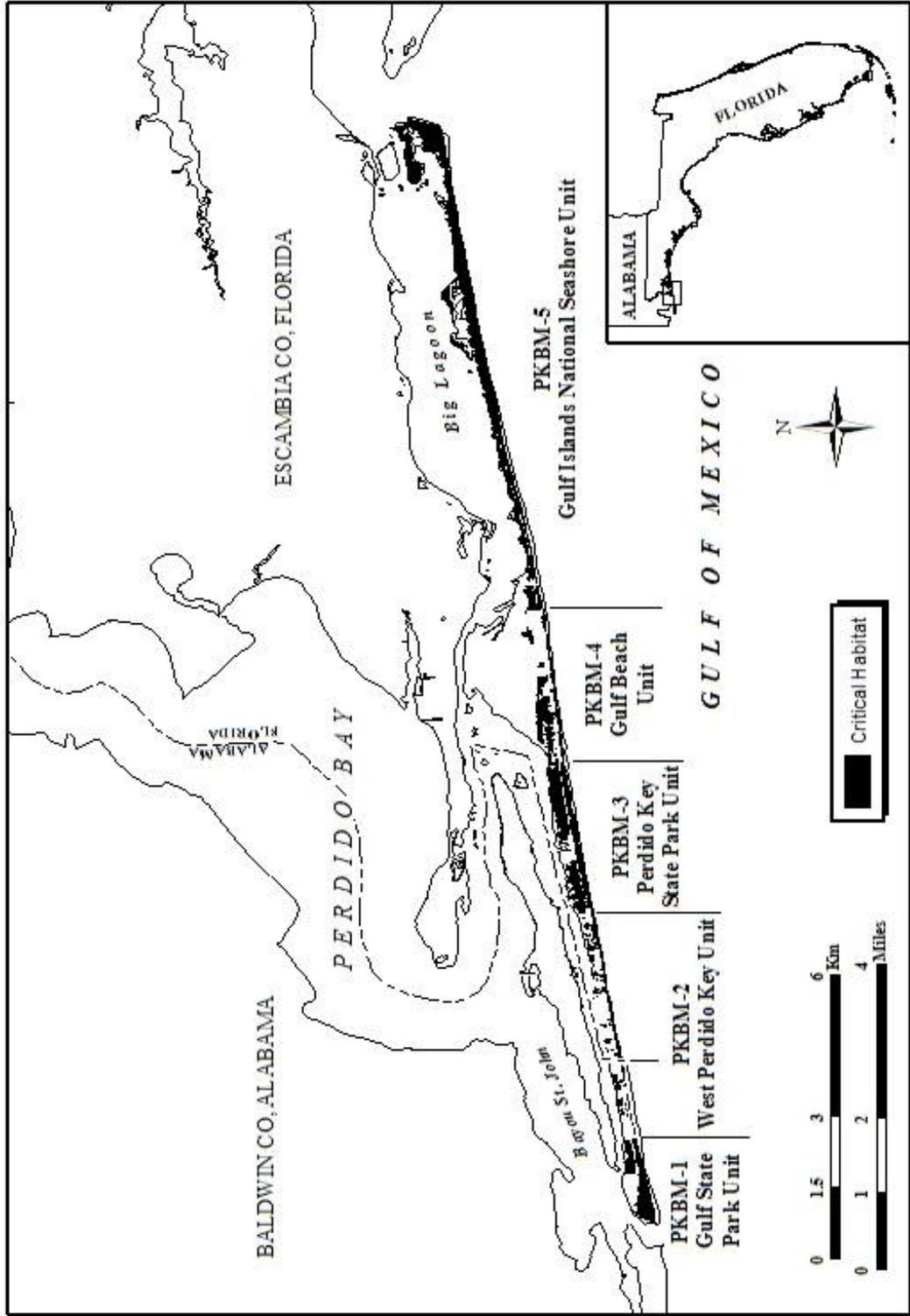
Unit 4: *Gulf Beach Unit, Escambia County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 4 consists of 162 ac (66 ha) in southern Escambia County, Florida. This unit includes essential features of beach mouse habitat between Gulf Islands National Seashore and Perdido Key State Park from approximately 4 miles east of the Alabama-Florida State line to 6 miles east of the State line and areas from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of human development or maritime forest.

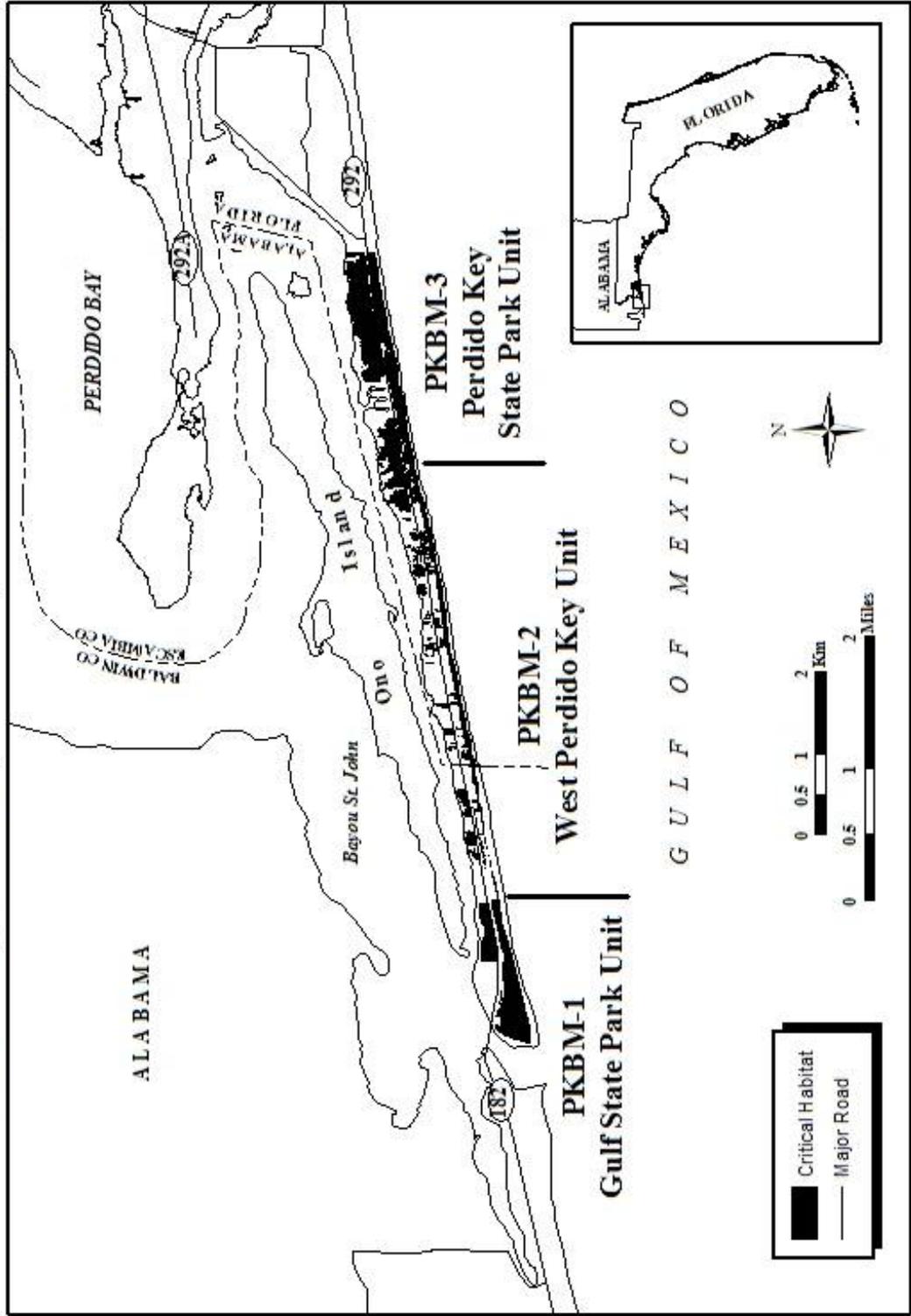
Unit 5: *Gulf Islands National Seashore, Escambia County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 5 consists of 638 ac (258 ha) in southern Escambia County, Florida, on the easternmost region of Perdido Key. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of Gulf Islands National Seashore—Perdido Key Area (also referred to as Johnson Beach) from approximately 6 miles east of the Alabama-Florida State line to the eastern tip of Perdido Key at Pensacola Bay and the area from the MHWL north to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

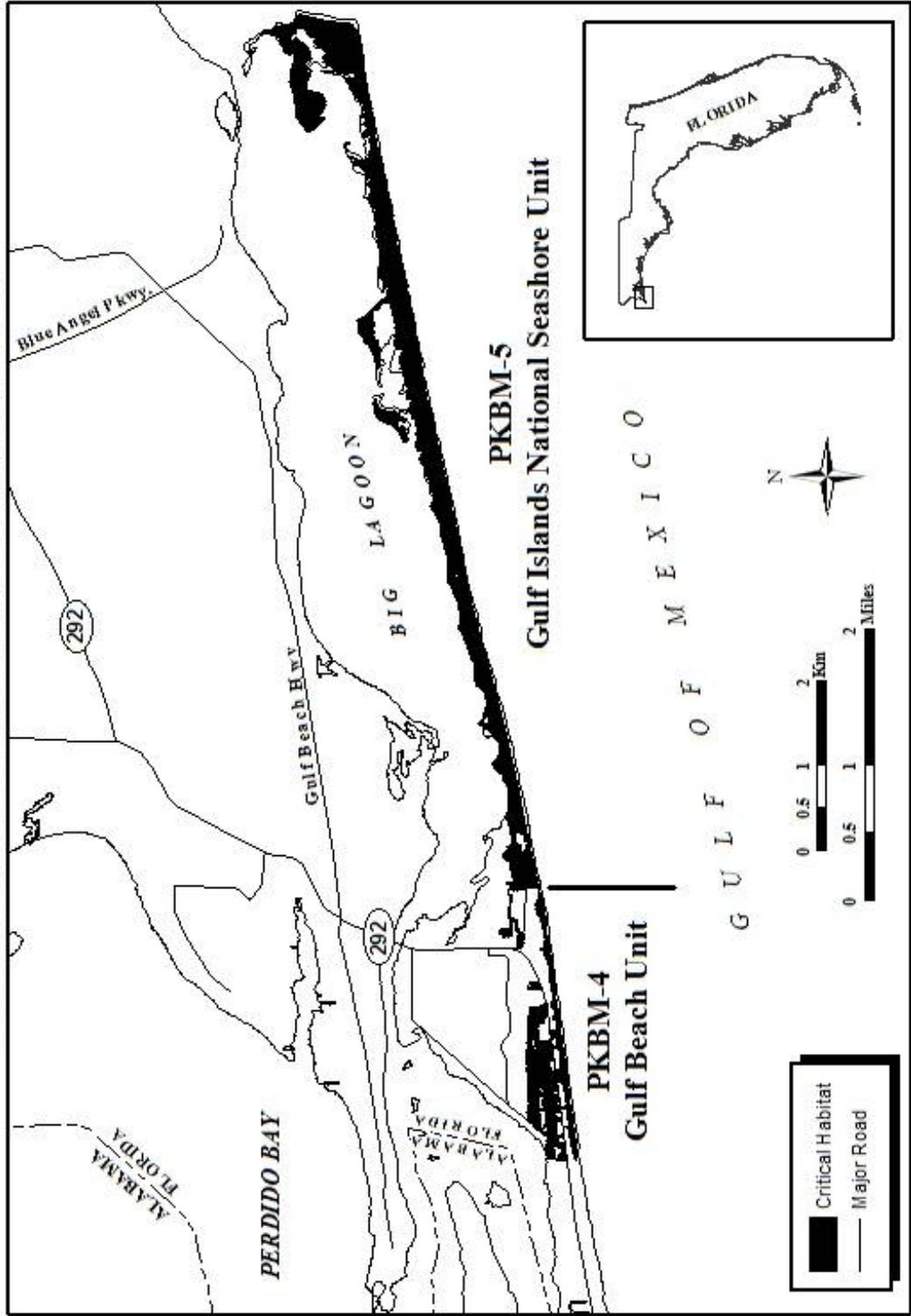
Map 1. Critical Habitat Units for the Perdido Key Beach Mouse



Map 2. Critical Habitat Units (Gulf State Park, West Perdido Key, and Perdido Key State Park Units) for the Perdido Key Beach Mouse, Baldwin Co., Alabama and Escambia Co., Florida



**Map 3. Critical Habitat (Gulf Beach and Gulf Islands National Seashore Units)
for the Perdido Key Beach Mouse, Escambia Co., Florida**



St. Andrews Beach Mouse Critical Habitat Unit Designation
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Unit 1: *East Crooked Island, Bay County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 1 consists of 826 ac (335 ha) in Bay County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat on East Crooked Island from the entrance of St. Andrew Sound to 1 mile west of Mexico Beach (not including Raffield Peninsula) and the area from the mean high water level (MHWL) to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

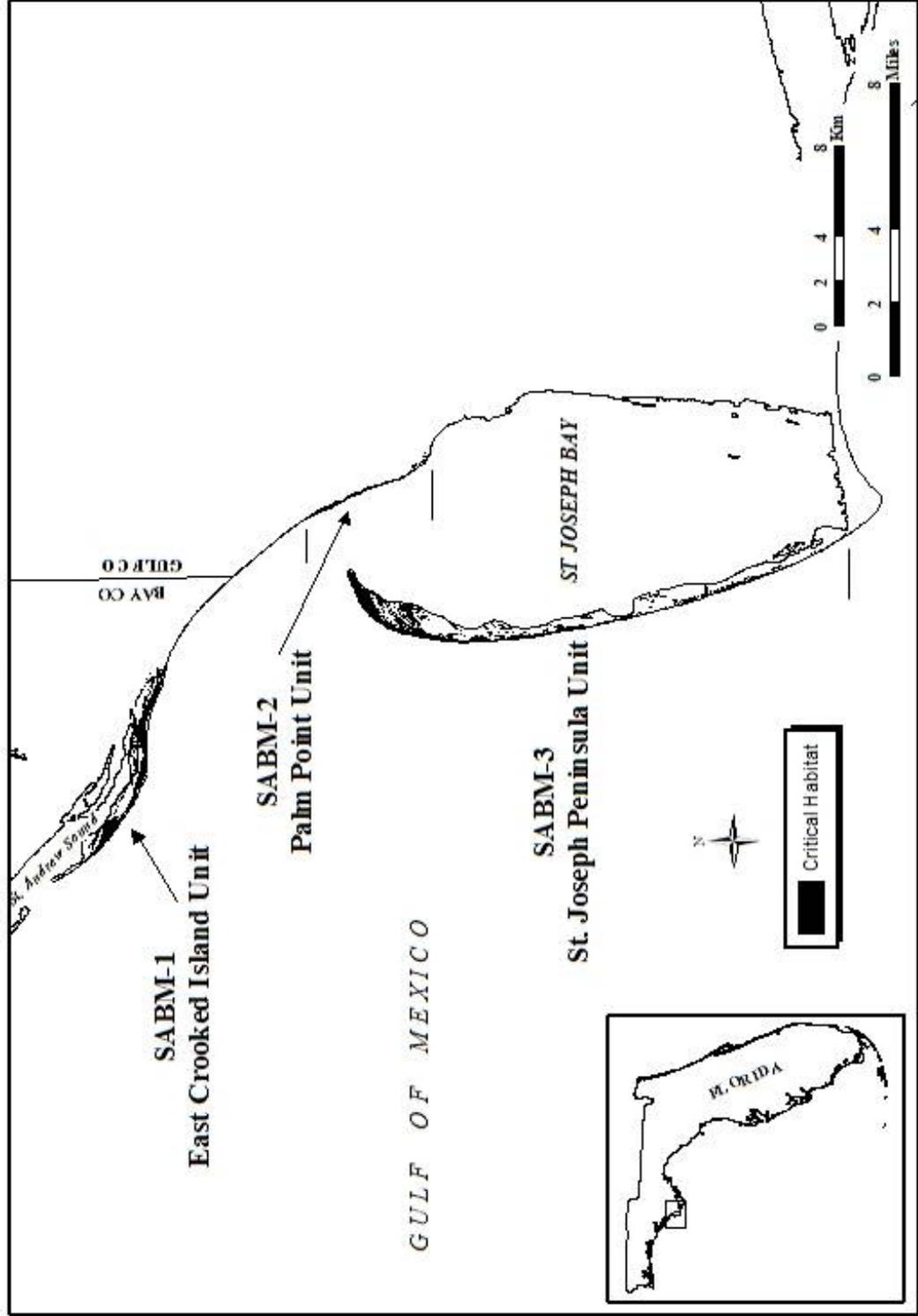
Unit 2: *Palm Point Unit, Gulf County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 2 consists of 162 ac (65 ha) in Gulf County, Florida. This unit encompasses habitat from Palm Point 1.25 miles northwest of the inlet of the Gulf County Canal to the Southeastern boundary of St. Joe Beach and the area from the MHWL to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

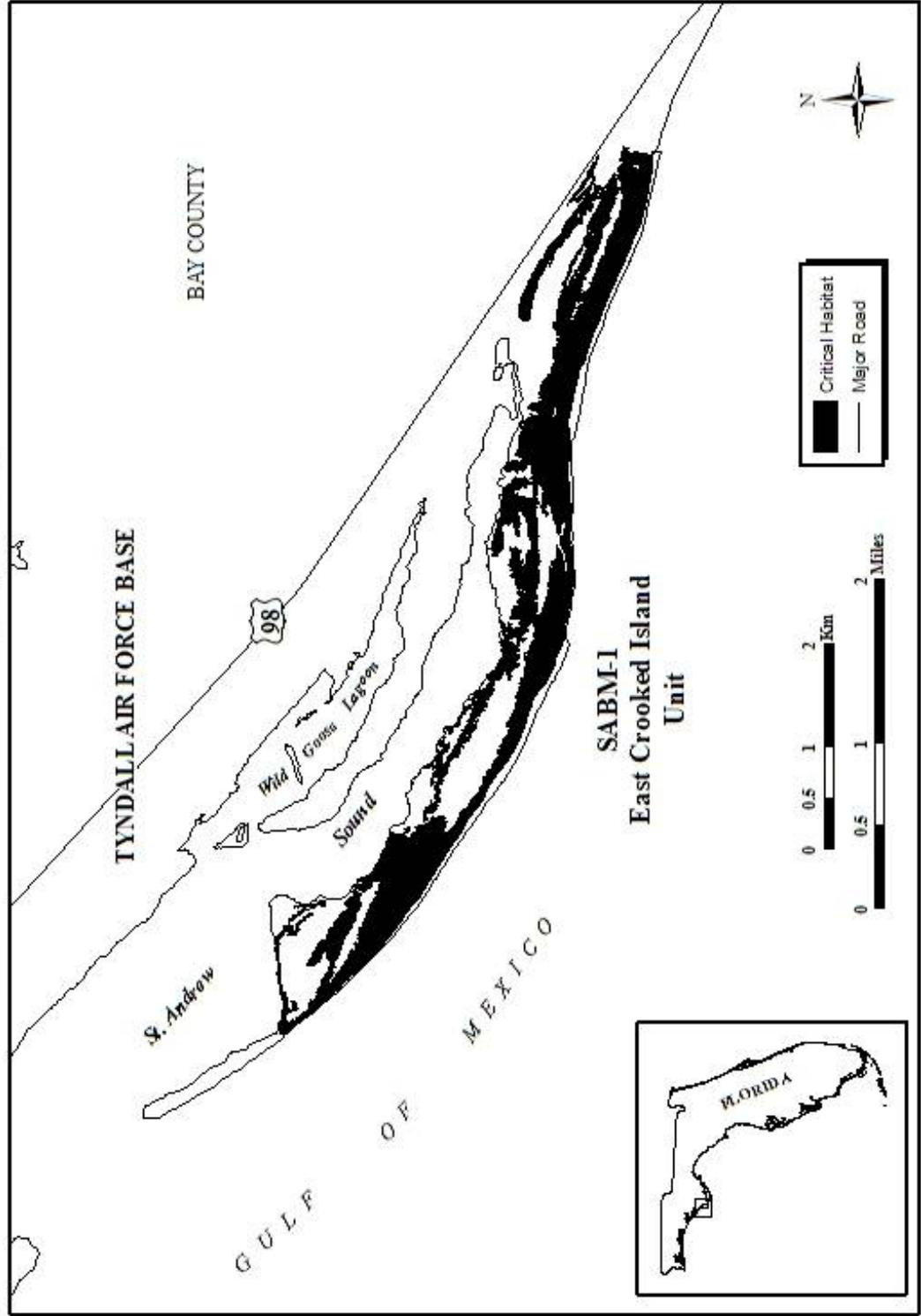
Unit 3: *St. Joseph Peninsula, Gulf County, Florida.*

General Description: Unit 3 consists of 1,502 ac (607 ha) in Gulf County, Florida. This unit encompasses essential features of beach mouse habitat within the boundary of St. Joseph Peninsula State Park (Park) as well as south of the Park to the peninsula's constriction north of Cape San Blas (also known as the "stumphole" region) and area from the MHWL to the seaward extent of the maritime forest.

Map 1. Critical Habitat Units for St. Andrew Beach Mouse



**Map 2. Critical Habitat (East Crooked Island Unit) for the
St. Andrew Beach Mouse, Bay County, Florida**



Map 3. Critical Habitat (Palm Point and St. Joseph Peninsula Units) for the St. Andrew Beach Mouse, Gulf County, Florida

