

# 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

