Example Focal Gold Coast Species

Beach ragweed
*Ambrosia hispida*

- Florida Keys north to Brevard County, but nearly extinct along Florida east coast.
- Recently reintroduced to Atlantic Dune Park (2016) by IRC and present at Delray Beach Municipal Beach.

Beach Clustervine
*Jacquemontia reclinata*

- Federally endangered. Miami-Dade to Martin County (endemic).
- Recently reintroduced to Atlantic Dune Park (2016) by IRC and present at Delray Beach Municipal Beach from earlier biodiversity projects.

Beach-tea
*Croton punctatus*

- Scattered and rare in southeastern Florida. Not common on re-nourished beaches.
- Present in Delray Beach on public and private beaches. Historically recorded in Ocean Ridge and Boca Raton.
**Pineland Croton**  
*Croton linearis*

- Florida Keys to St. Lucie County. Nearly extinct north of Miami-Dade County. Sole larval host for two federally endangered and endemic butterflies.
- Still present in northern Palm Beach County but there are no records in south county.

**Bartram’s Scrub-hairstreak**  
*Strymon acis bartramii*

- Federally endangered. Monroe and Miami-Dade counties; extinct in Broward and Palm Beach counties.
- Larvae feed only on Pineland croton.

**Florida prairieclover**  
*Dalea carthagenensis var. floridana*

- Federally endangered. Southern mainland north to Palm Beach and Collier counties. Extinct in Palm Beach County.
- Collected in the Palm Beach area only in 1895 and 1918.
**East Coast lantana**  
*Lantana depressa var. floridana*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in southern Palm Beach County.
- Previously recorded for Atlantic Dunes Park (1993) but presumed extirpated there. Possibly present in Boca Raton but otherwise gone from southern Palm Beach County.

**Red mulberry**  
*Morus rubra*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in southern Palm Beach County.
- Previously recorded for Atlantic Dune Park but apparently extirpated there. Present in Boca Raton and Ocean Ridge in tropical hammocks.

**Partridge pea**  
*Chamaecrista fasciculata*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but perhaps extinct in wild on southern Palm Beach County barrier islands.
- Provides food for birds. Larval host plant for ceraunus blue (*Hemiargus ceraunus*), cloudless sulphur (*Phoebis sennae*), little yellow (*Eurema lisa*), and gray hairstreak (*Strymon melinus*) butterflies.
Spurred butterfly pea

*Centrosema virginianum*

- Widespread in South Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in southern Palm Beach County.
- Previously documented at Atlantic Dunes Park but apparently extirpated there.

Forked bluecurls

*Trichostema dichotoma*

- Widespread in South Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in coastal southern Palm Beach County.
- Present in Delray Beach at Atlantic Dunes Park where recently relocated. Possibly present in Boca Raton.

Marshhay cordgrass

*Spartina patens*

- Widespread but scattered in South Florida along the coast and sometimes planted in dune revegetation projects.
- Recently documented in Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, and Ocean Ridge.