Abstract

Temperature loggers were deployed at various monitoring sites off the upper Florida Keys. Hobo Pendant[®] loggers were secured to the substrate at a site and were programmed to record temperature every thirty minutes. In most cases loggers were exchanged every 3-4 months. Gaps in the data exist where loggers failed or could not be recovered. Data collection began in 2003 and is ongoing however the time ranges vary at each site. Sites include fore reef and patch reef sites from as far north as Turtle Rocks to as far south as Little Conch Reef.

Methods

Water temperature loggers were deployed at various reef sites off the upper Florida Keys where *Acropora* spp related research activities (monitoring or experiments) were conducted. The loggers were one of two types: either Stowaway TidbiT (model: TBI32-20+50; Range -20°C to 50°C; Accuracy: ± 0.5°C from 0° to 50°C; Resolution: 0.02°C at 25°C) or HOBO Pendant (UA-001-64; Range: -20° to 70°C; Accuracy: ± 0.53°C from 0° to 50°C; Resolution: 0.14°C at 25°C)- both made by Onset Computer Corporation. Loggers were secured to the substrate out of direct sunlight but in an area with adequate water flow and were set to record the ambient water temperature at 30 minute intervals.

| Field Name | units (if applicable) | Description |
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| ReefName | | Name of site where Logger was deployed |
| Site Code | | Abbreviation of site name that corresponds to the specific logger location specified in accompanying table |
| Start Date | | Earliest day where temperature data are available (range may not be continuous) |
| End Date | | Latest day where temperature data are available (range may not be continuous) |
| Days with data | | Number of days between start and end date where temperature data are available |
| Depth(m) | meters | Approximate depth in meters of the deployed temperature logger |
| Lat | decimal degrees | Approximate Latitude where the temperature logger was deployed during the date range listed |
| Lon | decimal degrees | Approximate Longitude where the temperature logger was deployed during the date range listed |
| DateTime EST | MM/DD/YYYY HH:MM:SS | Eastern Standard Time zone date and time stamp (24 hour format) of logged temperature |
| Temp(C) | degrees celsius | Temperature in degrees Celsius recorded by the logger |
| Logger Type | | Either Stowaway TidbiT (model: TBI32-20+50; Range -20°C to 50°C; Accuracy: ± 0.5°C from 0° to 50°C; Resolution: 0.02°C at 25°C) or HOBO PENDANT (UA-001-64; Range: -20° to 70°C; Accuracy: ± 0.53°C from 0° to 50°C; Resolution: 0.14°C at 25°C)- both made by Onset Computer Corporation |

Data Fields:

Files included

- Inventory Sites Dates.xls: provides the location coordinates and the dates of data coverage for each site
- Inventory Sites Dates.kml: KML file showing location of each site
- Individual .csv files containing all temperature data for each site:

AAA AA-A.csv Aquarius AQ-A.csv Carysfort CF-A.csv Carysfort CF-B.csv Conch Shallow CS-A.csv CRF Nursery CRF-A.csv Elbow EL-A.csv Elbow EL-B.csv French FR-A.csv French FR-B.csv French FR-C.csv Grecian GR-A.csv Grecian GR-B.csv Horseshoe HS-A.csv KeyLargoDryRocks KL-A.csv KeyLargoDryRocks KL-B.csv KeyLargoDryRocks KL-C.csv LittleConch LC-A.csv Molasses ML-A.csv Molasses ML-B.csv NorthDryRocks NDR-A.csv NorthDryRocks NDR-B.csv NorthNorthDryRocks NNDR-A.csv Pickles PI-A.csv Pickles PI-B.csv Pickles PI-C.csv SandIsland SI-A.csv TavPatchA TV-A.csv TurtleRocks TR-A.csv WhiteBank WB-A.csv WhiteBank WB-B.csv