

River Otters of South Florida

**ROSF**



# **Otter Sightings Roadway Mortality Sightings in Florida**

## **Importance of Reporting River Otter Roadway Mortalities in Florida**

The International Union of Conservation of Nature (IUCN)/Species Survival Commission (SSC)/Otter Specialist Group (OSG) has requested all states and provinces in North America to develop and initiate a plan to record North American river otter roadway mortalities. For Florida, this will become the responsibility of the ROSF website. Knowing where and when otter roadway mortalities occur and having factual information about the mortality sighting and the physical characteristics of the mortality site allows individuals to determine where wildlife roadway crossings or wildlife diversion barriers may need to be put in place. Having this information also helps gain public support to minimize otter roadway mortalities.

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