

Student Assignment: Risk and Recovery

After viewing the presentation outlining both the hazards encountered by Kemp's ridleys as well as the efforts made to bring them out on endangered status, you are going to evaluate one part of the 1992 recovery plan. Choose one portion of the presented plan that interests you. (You can find a more detailed explanation of the plan at http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/pdfs/recovery/turtle_kempsridley.pdf).

Evaluate the 1992 plan using the following guidelines:

- Based on your knowledge, do you believe this portion of the plan had the potential for success? Why or why not?
- Do you believe this portion of the plan would receive some opposition? Why or why not? Make sure you include who would be likely to oppose this plan?
- Based on your research, was this portion of the plan implemented?
- If so, what were the results of the implementation?
- If not, why was it not implemented?
- Who supported the implementation? Why? (If no one supported its implementation why?)
- Who opposed the implementation? Why? (If no one opposed its implementation why?)
- If you were to go back in time, would you implement this strategy in the same manner or would you make adjustments? Explain.

Your grade will be based on your ability to fully explain and answer the questions above. One sentence responses will not be accepted, you must demonstrate knowledge of the subject matter to receive full credit. Your response may be in any format. It may be written in the form of an essay, as a digital presentation, a poster, a dramatic performance etc.

Good Luck!