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Water turtle crosses the road



This is one relatively large, freshwater softshell turtle.

Story, Photos and Video

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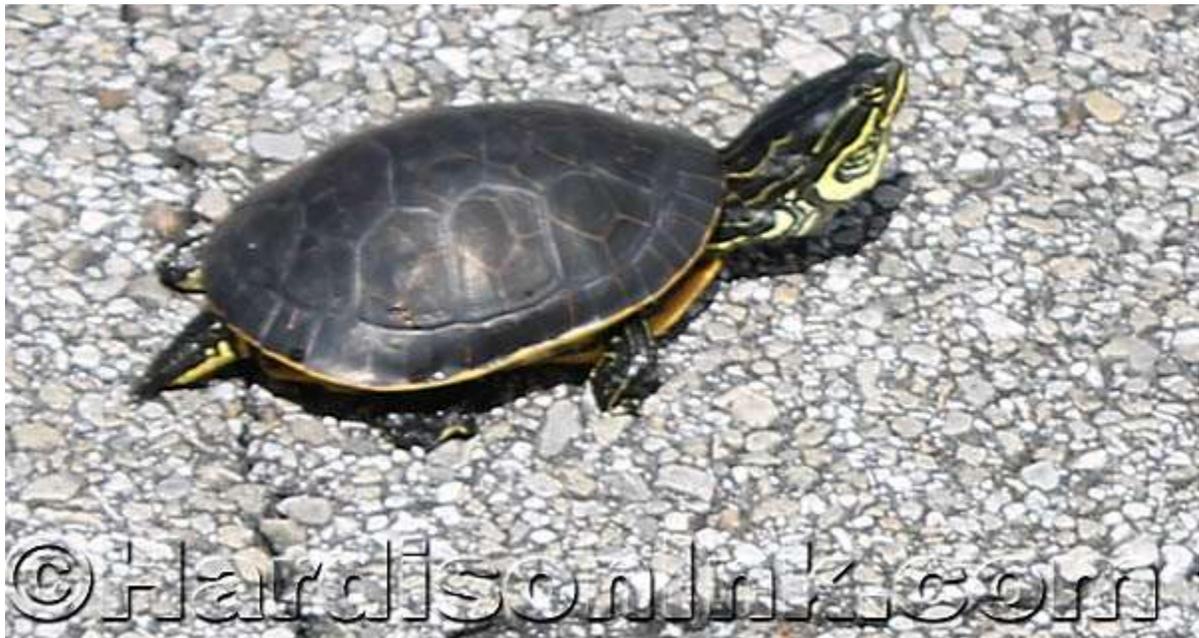
LEVY COUNTY -- One giant softshell freshwater turtle was standing on Levy County Road 347 between Fowlers Bluff and Cedar Key on Thursday afternoon (May 31).



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This turtle was about four-feet in diameter.



This turtle was about six-inches in diameter.

<https://youtu.be/rAYT8UY6lqk>

The small turtle is seen here making it from the center for the road into the grass. Due to oncoming traffic, its whole venture into the water was not captured on video, although the turtle was seen entering the water and disappearing below the surface on Thursday afternoon (May 31).

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Meanwhile, a few miles east, a very small freshwater turtle made its way across the road to the safety of grass and then back into the water where he disappeared.

On the same day and the same stretch of road, three deer and two turkeys also made appearances for observant motorists who went by them.

Motorists are reminded to be constantly vigilant and on the lookout. Always focus only on driving, because some other drivers may be speeding or going the wrong way in a lane of travel, and there are some pedestrians who wear dark clothing at night in unlit areas and do not walk facing traffic, and they even walk in the roadway where vehicles travel.