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Quite a catch



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"I grew up here, and Bathtub Beach has changed a lot over the years," said Eric Morin, of Blairsville, Ga., who plays with his daughter, Brianna, 4, on Wednesday at Bathtub Reef Beach in Stuart. Work continued Wednesday on the parking lot at the beach at 1585 S.E. MacArthur Blvd., in Stuart. The beach has undergone a renourishment project in which sand was dredged from the flood shoals and the impoundment basin of the St. Lucie Inlet south of the beach. Then, the sand was piped to the beach and distributed across 4,900 feet of coastline, from north of Bathtub Reef Beach and extending south into Sailfish Point. The dredging and pumping are complete, and the beach will reopen to the public on Saturday.