Program & Project Update

South Florida Ecosystem Restoration

Task Force

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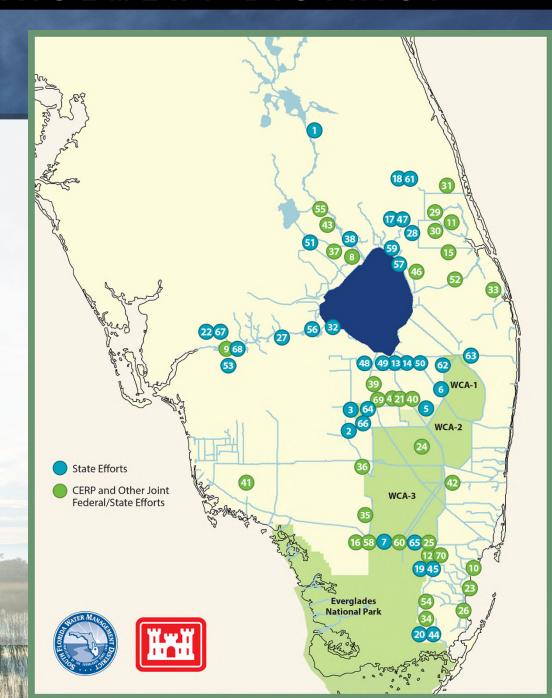
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Ecosystem Restoration Programs

- Federal Projects
 - CERP & Foundation Projects
- State & Local Projects
 - Everglades Stormwater Treatment Areas (STAs)
 - Northern Everglades and Estuaries Program
 - Dispersed Water Management
 - Local Project Grants
- 2024 SFER: sfwmd.gov/sfer

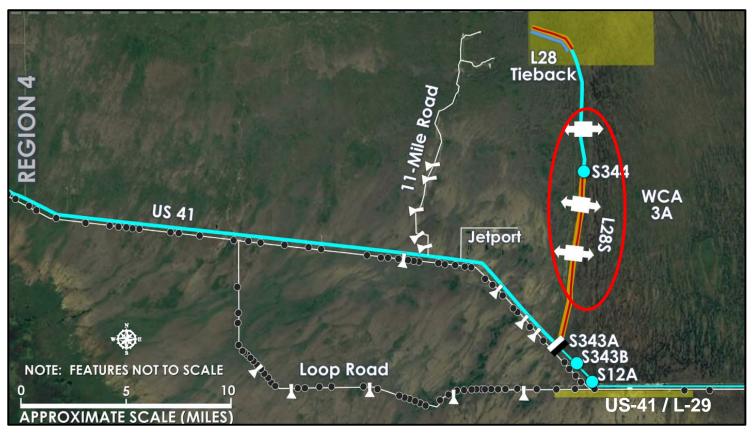


Achieving Even More Now

- FY24: \$668M for Everglades Restoration, \$574M for CERP
- FY25: \$740M for Everglades Restoration, \$664M for CERP
- Complete CEPP construction:
 - Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) STA
 - New Water Seepage Barrier (5 miles)
 - CEPP North S-620
- Begin construction on 5 CERP project features
- Complete LOCAR and WERP planning studies for inclusion in the Water Resources Development Act of 2024

Reconnecting WCA-3 to the Western Everglades (WERP- Region 4)

- Executed a Pre- Partnership Credit Agreement (PPCA) for Region 4
- In December, Governing Board authorized contract to build 3 culverts in the L-28S levee
- SFWMD is also designing additional culverts under Tamiami Trail, Loop Road and 11 Mile Road
 - Additional modeling and data collection to support design
 - Coordination with FDOT





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Collecting Data and Refining Models **WERP- Region 2**

WERP Pre- Design Engineering

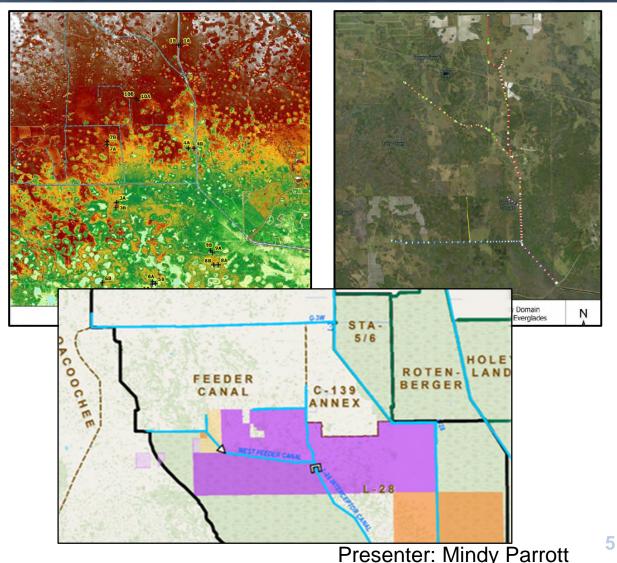
- Survey data collection and ground truthing
- Refined model development
- Engage stakeholders on project effects as additional data is available

Feeder Basin Water Quality Program

Precursor for WERP

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- Collaborate with landowners
- Initiate WQ data collection
- Conceptual project planning



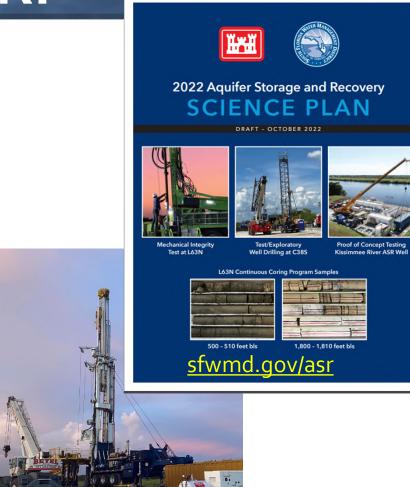
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Aquifer Storage & Recovery for Lake Okeechobee- LOWRP



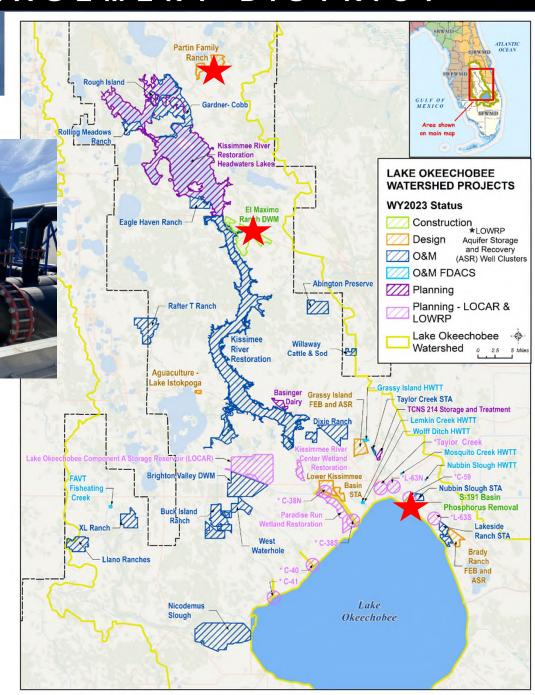
 ASR Construction continues, Test Wells 1 & 2 at C-38S and C-38N are complete.

- Design is underway for the C-38 Demonstration Facility
- SFWMD Governing Board approved an updated agreement with USACE Engineer Research Development Center (ERDC) including \$4.3M to address ASR uncertainties
- ASR Science Plan Update 2 expected Fall 2024

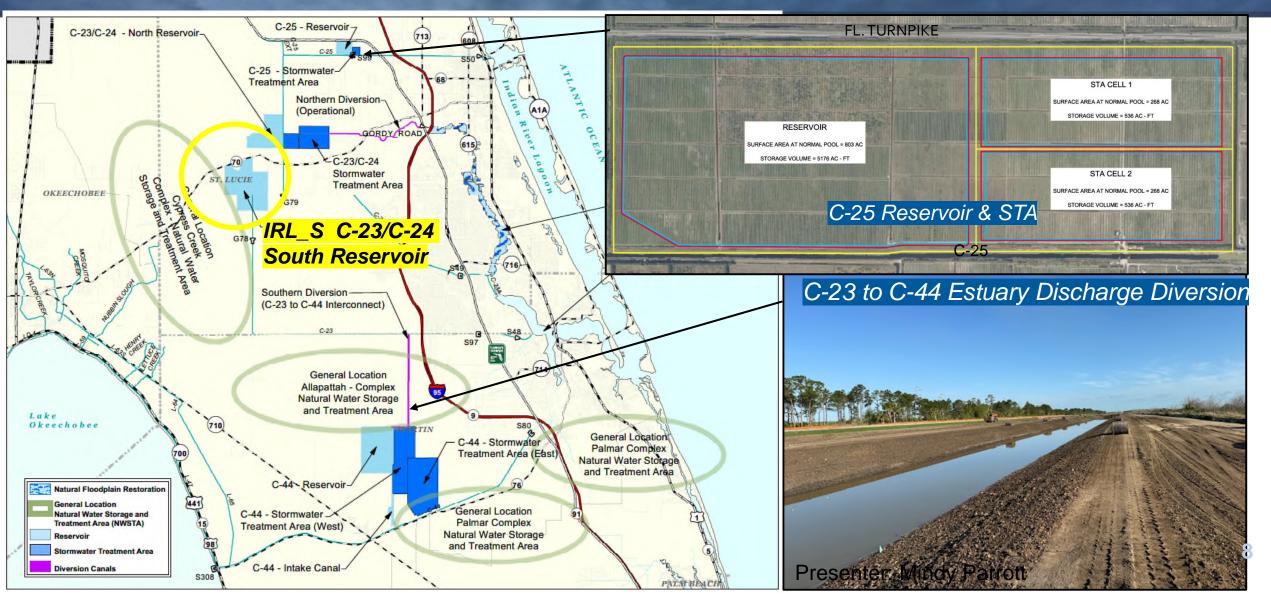


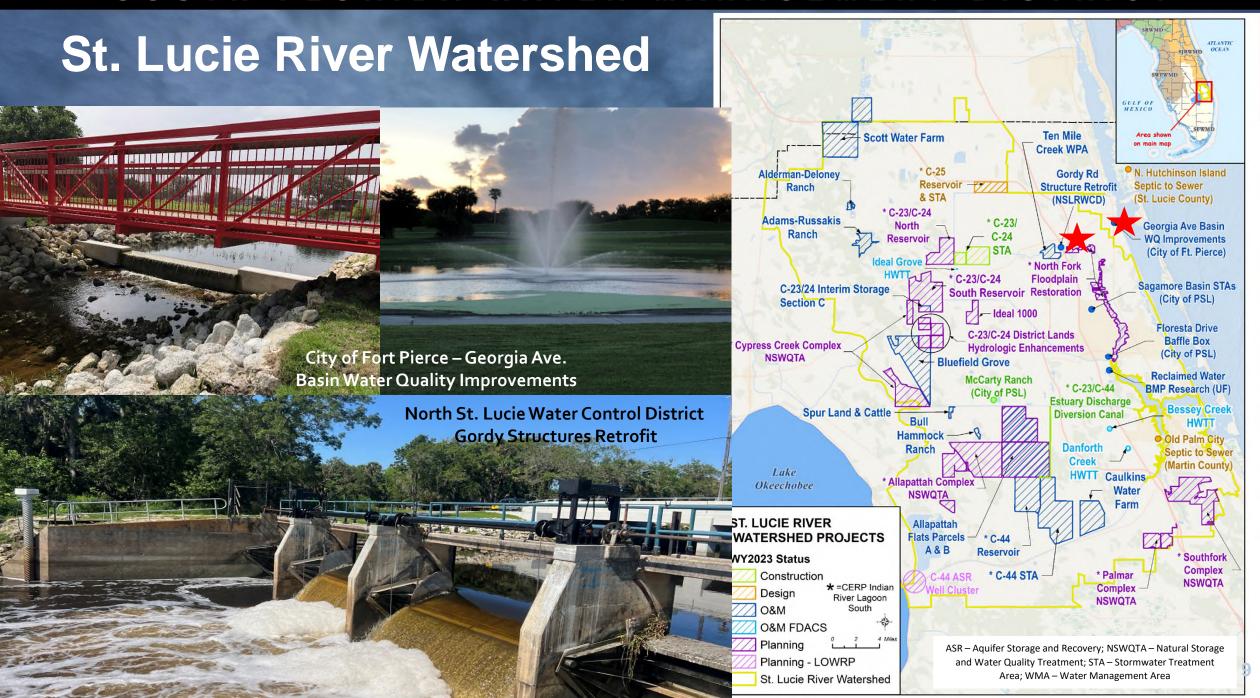
Lake Okeechobee Watershed





Restoring the Indian River Lagoon and St. Lucie River





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Storage for the Caloosahatchee Watershed



Caloosahatchee River Watershed



Moving More Clean Water South

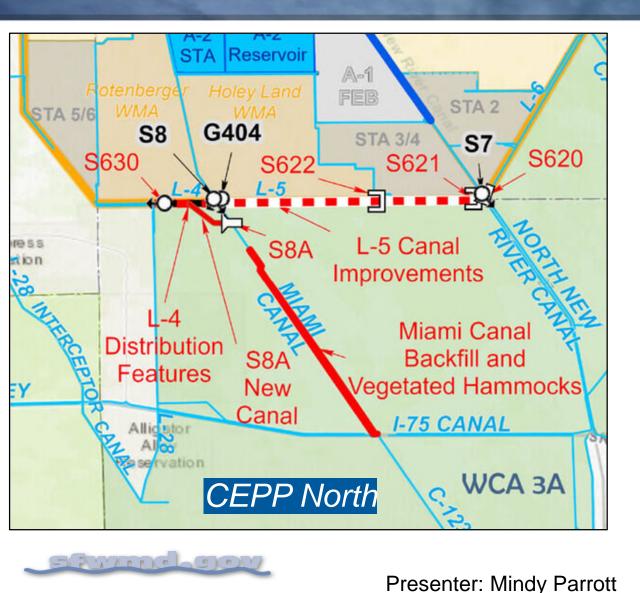




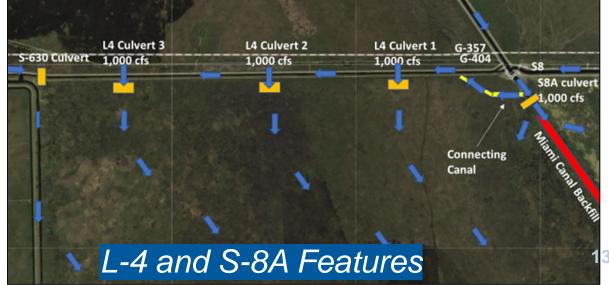
Canal Conveyance Improvements

- North New River Canal- Contract Awarded December 2023
- Miami Canal Phase 1- Final Design, award summer 2024
- Miami Canal Phase 2- Intermediate Design, award early 2025

Distributing Clean Water







Keeping Water in the Everglades



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Work is complete on 5 more miles of Seepage Barrier.

Restoring Fresh Water Flow to Biscayne Bay



Restoring the Loxahatchee River Watershed

Components 1, 2 and 6 are in design:

- Vegetation Management including biocontrol
- Survey & Geotech
- Modeling underway



