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### FACT SHEET

# COMPREHENSIVE EVERGLADES RESTORATION PLAN Western Everglades Restoration Project

Construction General (C) Congressional District: 19, 25, 26

#### 1. **DESCRIPTION**

The Western Everglades Restoration Project is a component of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, which was authorized under the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) 2000. The study area covers approximately 1,200 square miles. The study aims to improve the quantity, quality, timing and distribution of water in the western Everglades. This project will reestablish sheetflow across the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation and into Big Cypress National Preserve, maintain existing levels of flood protection and ensure that inflows to the North and West Feeder canals meet applicable water quality standards.

#### 2. FUNDING

Estimated Total Cost	\$76,202,000
Estimated Federal Cost	\$38,101,000
Allocation thru FY16	103,000
Carry In to FY16	0
Allocation for FY17	800,000
President's Budget FY18	TBD

#### 3. SPONSOR

South Florida Water Management District 3301 Gun Club Road West Palm Beach, Florida 33406

#### 4. STATUS

The project was initiated in August of 2016 under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) new SMART Planning paradigm. The Project Delivery Team is developing a focused array of alternatives for screening and analysis to start August 2017. The SMART Planning Compliance Package is currently being prepared for Headquarters USACE review and approval.

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