

FACT SHEET  
**Florida Keys Water Quality Improvements**  
 Construction (C)  
 Congressional District: 26, 27

### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Per Public Law 106-554, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is authorized to provide technical and financial assistance to carryout projects for the planning, design and construction of storm water and wastewater treatment works to improve water quality in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. As population and tourism in the Keys have increased over the years, wastewater and storm water treatment and management practices have not kept up with available technology. Nutrients from wastewater are one of the contributing factors to the decline of the water quality in both the canals and nearshore waters surrounding the Keys. The primary purpose of this effort is to improve water quality in the Florida Keys, by implementation of wastewater and storm water master plans previously prepared for Monroe County and various municipalities within Monroe County, Florida. The authorized Federal cost is \$100 million.

Municipalities included in the Florida Keys Water Quality Improvements Program are Key Largo, Key Colony Beach, Marathon, Islamorada, Layton and Key West.

### **2. FUNDING**

Allocation thru FY16	\$0
Allocation for FY17	\$3000
President's Budget FY18	TBD

### **3. SPONSOR**

South Florida Water Management District  
 3301 Gun Club Road  
 West Palm Beach, Florida 33416-4680

### **4. STATUS**

Project Partnership Agreements (PPAs) have been executed for all six municipalities included within the Program. To date, over \$49 million has been reimbursed back to municipalities of Monroe County for storm water and wastewater projects they have constructed. Further reimbursements are possible once additional Federal funding becomes available.

Gulf of Mexico

Miami

Biscayne Bay

Everglades

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LOCATION MAP



Florida Bay

Key Largo

Atlantic Ocean

Layton

Islamorada

Key West

Marathon

Key Colony Beach

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