

## FACTS & INFORMATION



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The Broward County Water Preserve Areas (BCWPA) is part of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP).

### PROJECT PURPOSE

The project is designed to perform two primary functions:

- Reduce seepage loss from Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3A/3B to the C-11 and C-9 basins
- Capture, store and distribute surface water runoff from the western C-11 Basin that has been discharged into WCA 3A/3B.

Additional project functions include: maintaining existing level of service flood protection, groundwater recharge, increasing spatial extent of wetlands, and improving hydroperiods and hydropatterns in WCA 3A/3B.

Existing water reservations will not be affected. The BCWPA project will benefit federally-listed threatened and endangered species and many wading birds. Approximately 563,000 acres in WCA 3 and 200,000 acres in the greater Everglades will benefit from the project's implementation.

### PROJECT STATUS

The Revised Final Project Implementation Report and Environmental Impact Statement (PIR/EIS) was published in the Federal Register on March 30, 2012, and policy and cost updates for the PIR/EIS were completed in May 2012.

On May 21, 2012, the Chief of Engineers Report was signed for the BCWPA project and was submitted to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works for review. Following review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), it will then be submitted to Congress for authorization.

### PROJECT BACKGROUND

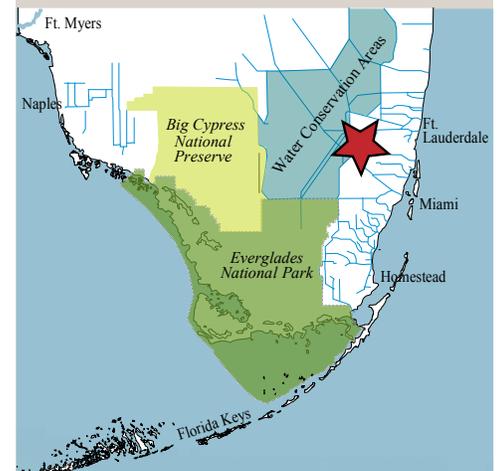
The BCWPA Final PIR/EIS, dated April 2007, was approved by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Review Board in June 2007.

Prior to the PIR/EIS being finalized, a real estate policy change was requested. As a result, the April 2007 Final PIR/EIS was updated accordingly. The revisions to the Final PIR/EIS do not include substantial changes in the proposed action relevant to environmental concerns, the proposed action or its impacts. However, cumulatively, the revisions and additions are important as they are related to cost, modeling, benefits analysis, design, and compliance with new/updated policies and guidance.

The preliminary design for the C-11 Impoundment was completed in January 2008. Design level details for WCA 3A/3B Seepage Management Area are scheduled to begin after the C-11 design work is completed. The C-9 design work will follow the completion of the WCA 3A/3B Seepage Management Area design work.

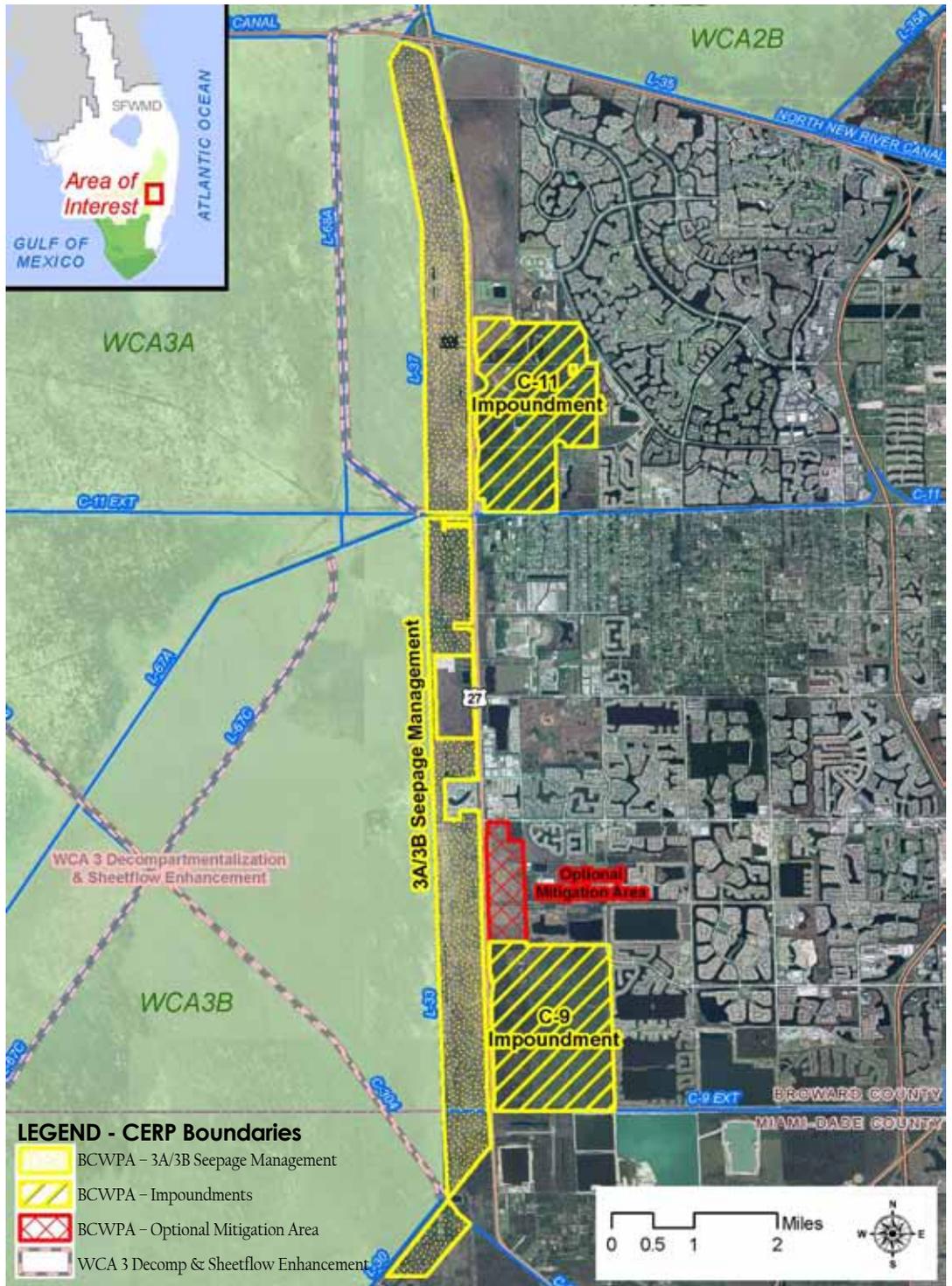
### PROJECT LOCATION

The project study area is located in western Broward and Miami-Dade Counties in south Florida. The project lands are bordered by WCA 3A/3B, Interstate 75, and the Miami Canal (C-6), and are within the city limits of Weston, Pembroke Pines, Miramar and the town of Southwest Ranches.



## THE SELECTED PLAN

The selected plan includes two above-ground impoundments, associated pumps, and water control structures. The C-11 Impoundment has an effective interior storage of 1,068 acres and two wetland marsh mitigation areas north of the C-11 Impoundment with 488 acres of wetland marsh. The C-9 Impoundment has an effective interior storage of 1,641 acres. The 4,353-acre WCA 3A/3B Seepage Management Area would manage seepage loss from the WCA 3A/3B and connect the two impoundments with a conveyance canal. The three components work together to form a regional project that manages seepage loss, captures stormwater, and conveys water for other purposes.



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