

# U.S. DOI OFFICE OF **EVERGLADES RESTORATION INITIATIVES**

## South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

### Event Title: **Task Force (TF) Meeting**

**Date and Time: Wed, Nov. 19, 2014 10:00 – 3:00 PM**

**Background:** The South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force (Task Force) was established by Congress in 1996 to ensure consistent strategies among all the partners working towards Everglades restoration. At such regular meetings of the Task Force, staff and member agencies update matters previously presented to the Task Force, report back on direction issued by the Task Force and brief the Task Force on new or emerging issues relevant to Everglades Restoration.

#### **Description and General Purpose of the Meeting:**

Consistent with the requirements of WRDA 2000, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of Interior and the Governor of Florida established an independent review panel through NRC. The Committee on Independent Scientific Review of Everglades Restoration Progress (CISRERP) was asked to present a report every two years on CERP progress. A summary of CISRERP's report 'Progress Toward Restoring the Everglades, The Fifth Biennial Review, 2014' will be provided. The final draft Strategy and Biennial Report to Congress will be reviewed and presented to the Task Force for approval. This report outlines how the restoration effort will occur, identifies resources needed and reports on the activities and progress made towards restoration. The final draft Invasive Exotic Species Strategic Action Framework will also be reviewed and presented to the Task Force for acceptance. The Corps of Engineers will provide a program and project update and the new website [www.EvergladesRestoration.gov](http://www.EvergladesRestoration.gov) will be unveiled.

**Public Comment:** Opportunity for public comment will be provided during the meeting. The timing, number and duration of public comment periods will be at the discretion of the Chair.

#### **Meeting Location:**

South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Headquarters  
3301 Gun Club Road  
Building B-1, Governing Board Auditorium  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406  
For driving directions call: 561/686-8800

Note: Meeting will be webcast. During the meeting, a link will be available to view a live webcast of the proceedings.

#### **Parking**

Complimentary self-parking

#### **Lodging**

Note: There is no block of rooms reserved for this meeting.

#### **Driving directions from I-95**

- **EXIT** at **SOUTHERN BOULEVARD (#68)**.
- At the end of the ramp, turn **WEST** onto **SOUTHERN BOULEVARD** until you see a ramp in the far left lane for **CONGRESS AVENUE - SOUTH (807)**.
- Take that ramp and turn left onto **CONGRESS AVENUE** and continue to the first light, which is **GUN CLUB ROAD**.
- Turn **RIGHT** on **GUN CLUB ROAD** and proceed for about one block.
- District Headquarters is on the **RIGHT** past the West Palm Beach Armory and before Lake Lytal Park. **Main buildings (B-1 and B-2) are at the back.**
- **B-1** is the three-story building at the back/north end of the grounds, facing Southern Boulevard. The auditorium and most public meetings are held in B-1.

**B-2** is the three-story building closer to Gun Club Road with a white, quarter-round roof. The Palm Beach County Service Center is located in B-2.

A map is available on the SFWMD's website:

<http://www.sfwmd.gov/portal/page/portal/xweb%20about%20us/service%20centers>

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