

**Program Name:** Restoration Program: Water Quality and Hydrology  
**Project Name:** Lakeside Ranch STA - The SFWMD is implementing as part of the Northern Everglades Project  
**Project ID:** 1515  
**Lead Agency:** South Florida Water Management District  
**Authority:** Chapter 373, Florida Statutes  
**Funding Source:** Lake Okeechobee Trust Fund

**Strategic Plan Goal(s) Addressed:** 1.B.1 Get the water quality right

**Measurable Output(s):** 2,700-acre STA

**Project Synopsis:** In 2007, the Florida legislature enacted the Northern Everglades Initiative, which expands the Lake Okeechobee Protection Act to the entire Northern Everglades system, including the Lake Okeechobee watershed as well as the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie rivers and estuaries. The plan identifies five construction projects north of Lake Okeechobee, including the Lakeside Ranch STA, as expedited projects.

The South Florida Water Management District is expediting this project as part of the Northern Everglades and Estuaries Program. It is a portion of Taylor Creek/Nubbin Slough Storage and Treatment Area and involves construction of a 2,700-acre STA, adjacent to Lake Okeechobee, and will provide approximately nine to 19 metric tons of phosphorus reduction. Removing this phosphorus will help improve the lake's water quality. The initial Phase 1 portion of the project (990 acres) has been completed and is operational.

**Current Status:**

This project has been divided into two phases, STA North and STA South:  
 Phase 1: STA-North and canal improvements, S-650 pump station  
 STA-N under normal operation  
 S-650 under normal operation  
 Phase 2: STA-South and S-191A pump station  
 STA-S Currently under construction  
 S191A Final design completed

**Total Estimated Project Cost:** \$107,975,000

**Project Schedule:** Start Date: October 2005  
 Finish Date: February 2012 for STA North, January 2018 for STA South

**Actual Expenditures to date by SFWMD:**

	2006-2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total Cost
SFWMD	\$24,262,779	\$13,598,734	\$5,279,923	\$273,858	\$14,047	\$304,561	\$3,028,811	\$46,562,713

**Hyperlink:**

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Lakeside Ranch Phase I



Lakeside Ranch Phase II – STA South