

Program Name: SFWMD Outreach Program
Project Name: Outreach
Project ID: 3503
Lead Agency: SFWMD

Strategic Plan Goal(s) Addressed: 3-A.3 Increase community understanding of ecosystem restoration

Measurable Output(s): Public and Stakeholder Meetings; Media Exposure (news releases); Social Media Program; Intergovernmental Relations; School and Teacher Education; Symposiums; Ecosystem Groundbreakings, Milestone Celebrations and Ribbon Cuttings; Special Events; Monthly eNewsletter; factsheets, annual Publications including South Florida Environmental Report Highlights and Everglades Progress; Awards and Recognitions; Everglades Photos, Animations and Video Clips; Project Onsite videocam to post progress on website; Construction drone video footage on website; Speakers Bureau Presentations; Offsite briefings; Community Events; External Web Site continuous updates; Public forum PowerPoint presentations; Web Interactive Restoration Ecosystem Restoration Progress map; Ecosystem Workshops for International Students, Scientists, Government Leaders with Onsite Staff Instruction by Scientists and Engineers, including field visits.

Project Synopsis: The South Florida Water Management District continues to participate with the USACE, and other agencies/ major stakeholders and general public in various outreach activities, as listed above, to increase the understanding of ecosystem restoration.

Total Estimated Project Cost: Ongoing

Project Schedule:

Start Date: Ongoing
Finish Date: Ongoing

Actual Expenditures to Date by SFWMD:

2004-2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total to Date
\$2,084,960	\$75,825	\$74,113	\$112,786	\$107,254	\$72,750	\$82,158	\$73,818	\$2,683,664

[WEBCAM: Watch St. Lucie River \(C-44\) Reservoir and STA Construction](#)



UNESCO-IHE/Florida Earth Foundation Student Program 2016

During the last week of May, the District hosted 41 graduate students from 27 countries and 2 professors from UNESCO-IHE, Institute of Water Education, located in Delft, the Netherlands. The four-day workshop was designed to demonstrate how modeling is used to practice Integrated Water Resources Management. The workshop benefits students representing numerous developing countries.



Educating students about Everglades restoration in the field generates an understanding of Florida's ecosystems and an eagerness to become a participant.



Press conferences and public events are examples of outreach activities that SFWMD Public Affairs staff conduct as project thresholds are reached and commemorated.