



# **State Expedited Restoration Projects** ***Status Update***

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# Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Phase 1

## Status (June):

- Design complete
- Permitting in progress
- Construction scheduled to begin in 2009, subject to funding

## Update (September):

- *Governing Board actions:*
  - *Nov 2009 – award of contract for L-31E Culverts*
  - *Jan 2010 – award of contract for Deering Estates*
- *Construction scheduled to begin in FY10*



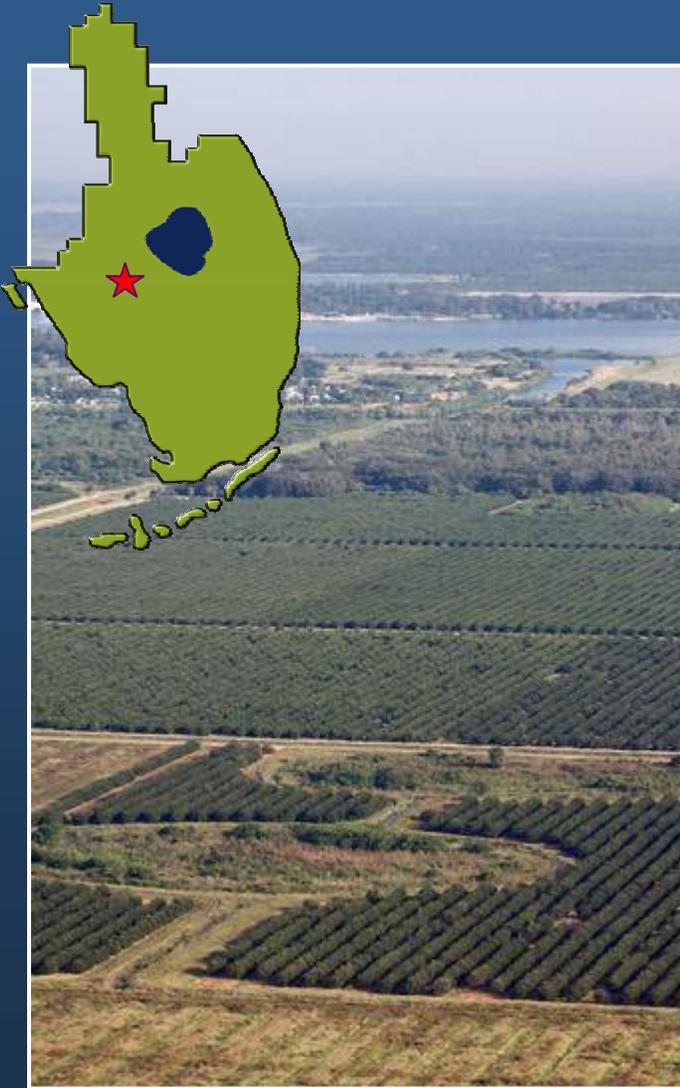
# C-43 West (Caloosahatchee River) Reservoir

## Status (June):

- Test cells complete
- Project final design complete
- Permits obtained
- Shovel-ready
- Final chief's report and authorization awaiting change in the land valuation and crediting policy

## Update (September):

- *FY10 - tree clearing to remove approx. 6,000 acres of citrus*
- *Land valuation and crediting policy received*
- *Draft PIR in headquarters for approval*

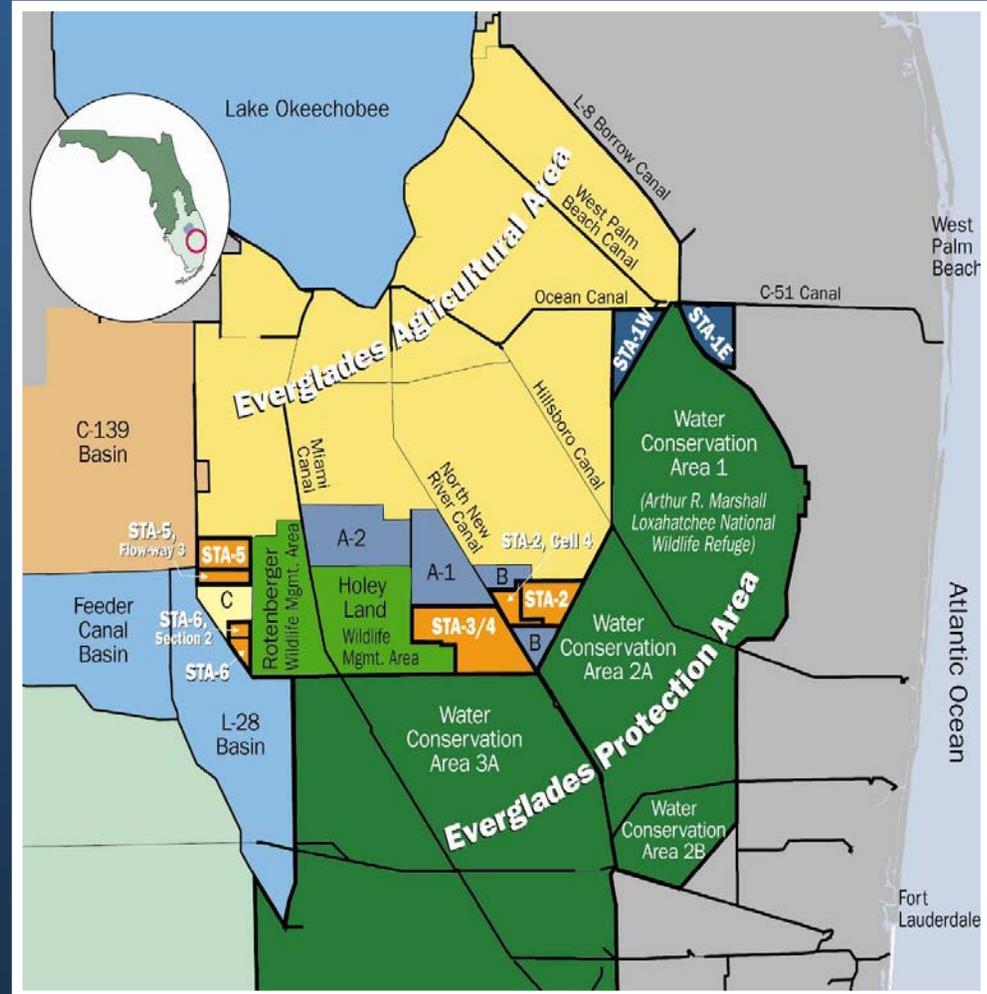




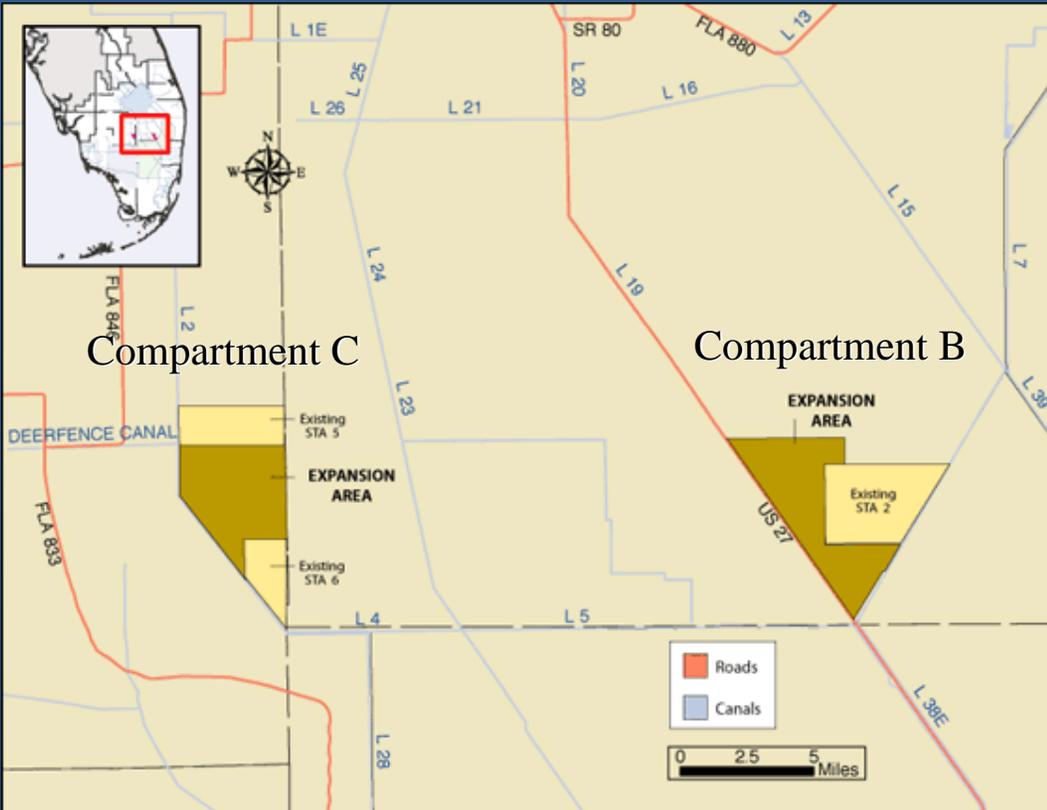
# Long Term Plan

## Status (June):

- Since 1994, more than 45,000 acres of STAs constructed; \$1.8 billion investment
- In 2008, 775,000 acre-feet of water treated; reduced total phosphorus loads by 80%
- Combined with BMPs, prevented more than 2,800 metric tons of phosphorus from entering the Everglades to date
- **Update (September):**
  - 2009 – over 1,100,000 acre-feet of water treated
  - Combined with BMPs, prevented more than 3,200 metric tons of phosphorus from entering the Everglades



# STA Expansions/ Compartment B & C Buildouts



## Status (June):

- 100% land acquired
- Initial expansions at STA-2 Cell 4, STA 5-3 and STA 6-2 completed in 2007
- Compartment C Buildout design and permitting complete; STA construction started – April 2009
- Compartment B Buildout design and permitting complete; STA construction start – 2009

## Update (September):

- *Compartment B construction started June 2009*
- *Aug 2009 Governing Board – award of pump station contracts*
- *Construction of pump stations started Sept 2009*



# Everglades Agricultural Area Reservoir – A1



## Status (June):

- Test cell complete
- Project design complete
- Seepage canal excavation complete
- Construction on hold pending litigation outcome

## **Update (September):**

- ***Litigation dismissed by Judge***
- ***Utilization depends on River of Grass Land Acquisition and Planning Results***



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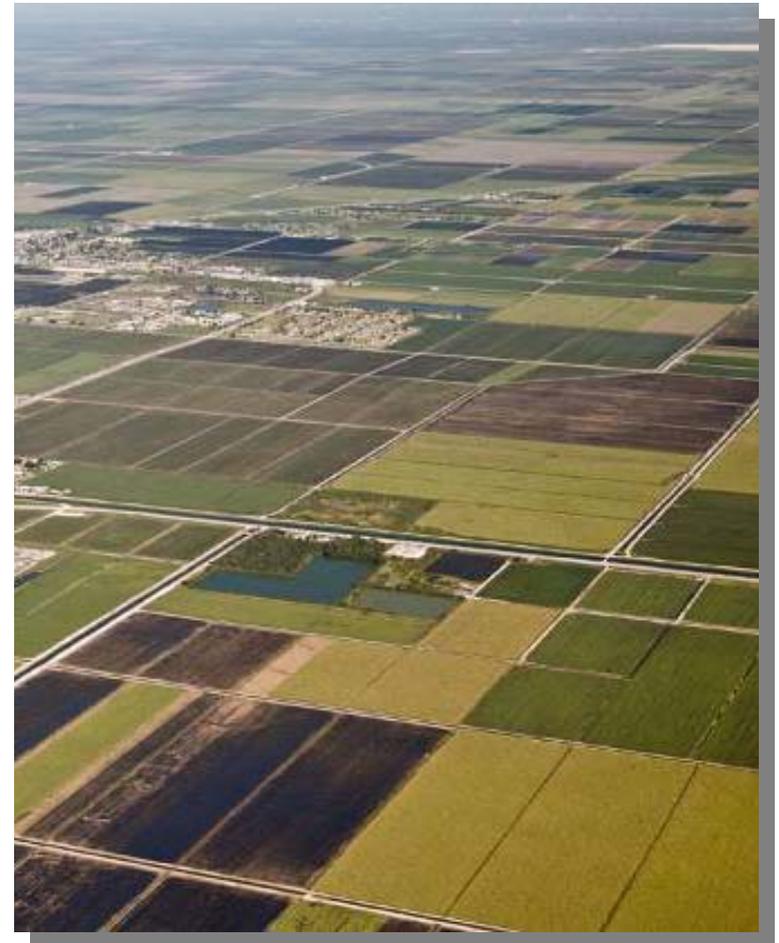
**River of Grass Acquisition  
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# River of Grass Planning

RESTORATION PLANNING

- Phase I Planning
  - Wrapped-up Phase I Planning: Sept 2009
    - Presented findings at WRAC and Governing Board Meetings
      - Identified 5 primary combinations of features for further consideration in Phase II



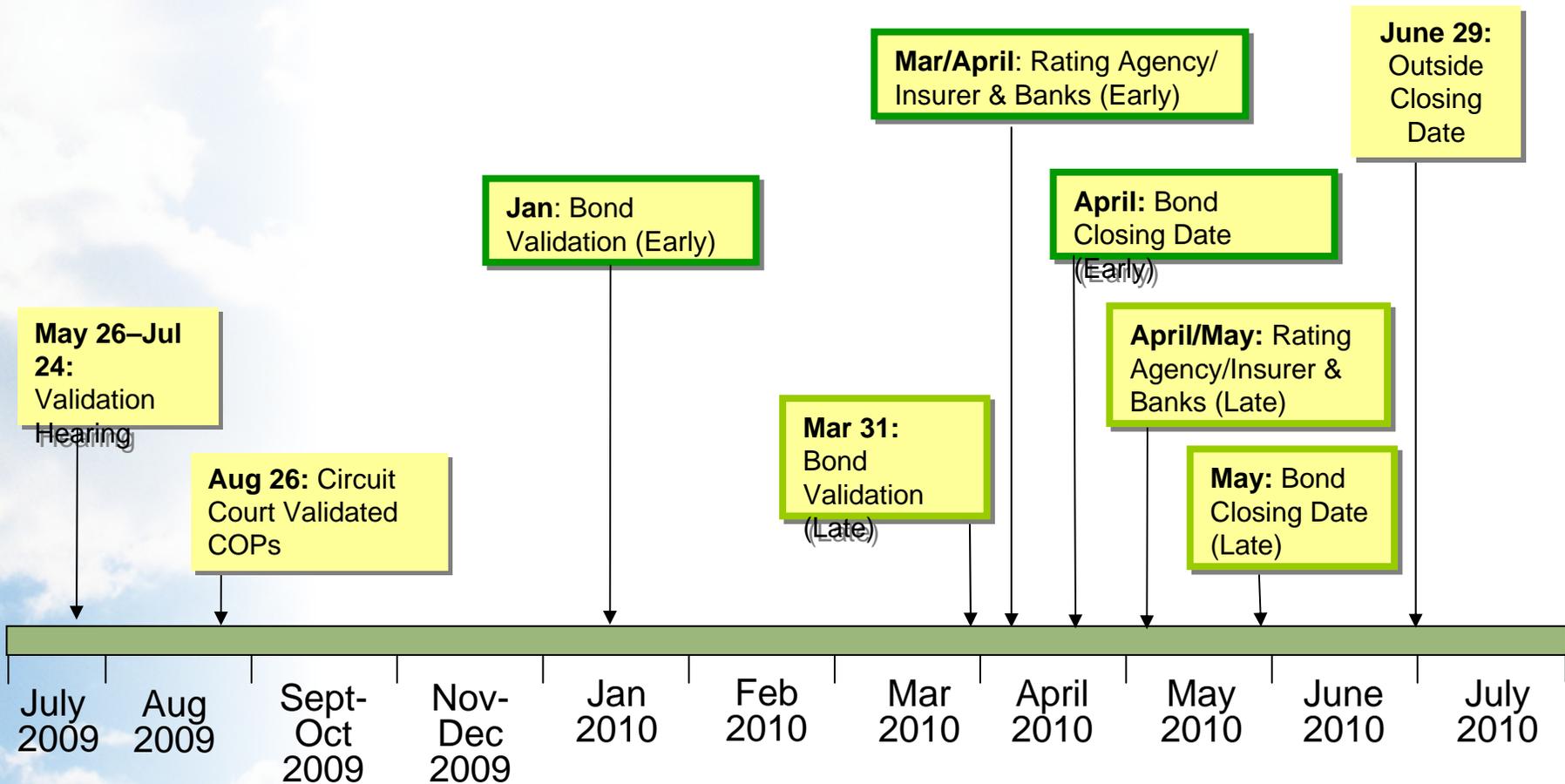
# River of Grass Planning

RESTORATION PLANNING



- Phase II Recommended Approach
  - Public Planning Process similar to Phase I
    - Kick off: Fall 2009
    - Scope: Identify recommended conceptual plans including footprint (options to include scenarios with land swaps and scenarios without)

# Contract and Financing Timeline



\*U.S. Sugar may accept a superior proposal up until validation occurs.



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***Questions***

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