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Mr. Wayne Daltry, Chairman  
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Col. Rock Salt, Executive Director  
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Dear Mr. Daltry and Col. Salt: *Wayne & Rock* —

This letter will serve as my resignation from the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Working Group. I was appointed by Secretary Steve Seibert to represent the Department of Community Affairs on the Working Group and it has been my honor to serve during the past few years.

After many rewarding years with the Department, I have accepted a position with the Florida Ports Council and will no longer be working for the Department. The mission of Florida's seaports is to enhance the economic vitality and quality of life in the state of Florida. We are committed to identifying corridors of statewide significance to enhance Florida's competitiveness, but also to improve safety on our roadways by separating freight from passenger traffic and facilitating the use of rail to reduce the number of trucks on our roads. Thus, our goals are compatible with those of south Florida ecosystem restoration and we would welcome any opportunity to work together.

South Florida ecosystem restoration is one of the most important tasks facing the state of Florida and the nation. It is encouraging to know that such a dedicated and hard-working group of people are committed to coordinating the effort. I will follow your work with great expectations and be proud to know that I was a part of south Florida's restoration. I can be reached at 850.222.8028. Keep the faith!

Sincerely,

*Toy Keller*  
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cc: Steve Seibert  
Mike McDaniel