

South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

Strategic Coordination and Documentation for 2008

April 28, 2008



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AGENDA

- Objectives
- Background
- Strategy overview
- Project sheets
- Goals, sub goals and objectives
- Proposed schedule
- Opportunities



OBJECTIVES

- Clarify our individual and collective restoration plans and projects
- Provide an overarching framework for individual efforts
- Document our collective and individual plans and efforts
- Communicate to key audiences
- Maintain or improve quality
- Improve readability
- Paint the big picture
 - Graphics
 - Narratives
 - Goals, Subgoals, and Objectives



BACKGROUND

- **Task Force members report over 200 projects spanning 46 years**
- **No single agency is in charge**
- **The Task Force established a framework for and coordinates the projects being implemented by the various agencies**
- **The Task Force documents this coordination through various reports**



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South Florida Restoration Management

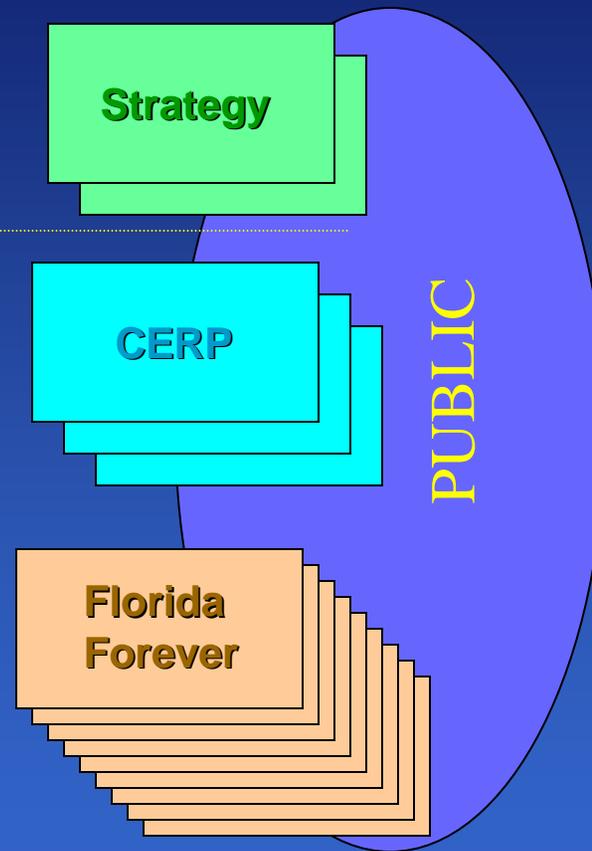
Task Force

coordination

Partnerships

implementation

Agencies



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Duties of the Task Force

- Coordinate the development of consistent policies, programs, projects and priorities
- Exchange information
- Facilitate conflict resolution
- Coordinate science
- Assist members
- Documents the activities that fulfill these duties through several separate reports



Task Force Reports in 2008

- Strategic Plan**
- Biennial Report**
- Integrated Financial Plan**
- Plan for Coordinating Science**
- Land Acquisition Strategy**



Coordinating Success & Tracking Success - Vol 1 & 2

- Combines three reporting requirements:
- Volume 1
 - Strategic Plan
 - Biennial Report
- Volume 2
 - Integrated Financial Plan



Coordinating Success Vol 1 – The Strategy

Citation	House Conference Report 106-479
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outlines how the restoration will occur• Identifies the resources needed• Establishes responsibility for accomplishing actions
Initial Document	July 2000
Update Status	Biennially; next update due 2008
New for 2008	Revised subgoals and objectives



Tracking Success Vol 1 – The Biennial Report

Citation	Water Resources Development Act 1996
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reports the activities of the Task Force and the implementing agencies• Reports progress made toward restoration
Initial Document	1998
Update Status	Biennially; next update due 2008
New for 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• System-wide Indicator status• Revised subgoals and objectives



Tracking Success Vol 2 – The Integrated Financial Plan

Citation	Water Resources Development Act 1996
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Integrates financial information• Reports on individual restoration projects
Initial Document	1998
Update Status	Annually; next update due 2008
New for 2008	New project reports to support the revised subgoals and objectives



Plan for Coordinating Science (PCS)

Citation	House Report 108-195
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Documents how the Task Force coordinates science• Identifies strategic science needs and gaps
Initial Document	2004
Update Status	Biennially; next update was due 2006
New for 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes a broader analysis of needs and gaps• Considers the independent panel's recommendations for prioritizing gaps



Land Acquisition Strategy (LAS)

Citation	GAO RCED-00-84
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describes the land acquisition needs for projects with federal participation• Provides a broad picture of all land acquisition initiatives
Initial Document	2003
Update Status	Annually; next update due 2008
New for 2008	Expands mitigation land reporting for all 16 counties



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STRATEGY OVERVIEW



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Volume 1

- Coordinating Success (Strategy)
- Tracking Success (Biennial Report)

Volume 2

- Tracking Success (Integrated Financial Plan)



Coordinating Success

- Strategy Purpose
- Restoration Strategy
- Vision and Indicators of Success
- Strategic Goals and Objectives



Tracking Success - Biennial Report

- Biennial Report Purpose
- Activities of the Task Force
- Policies, Strategies, Plans, Programs, Projects, Activities and Priorities
- Progress made toward restoration



Project Sheets

How project sheets fit into report

- Detailed project sheets are listed in Volume 2 (Integrated Financial Plan)
- In Volume 1, Appendix A, the IFP Summary Table which lists all projects by goal, subgoal and objective.



Project Sheet ID Numbers

- The first digit is the Goal (1,2,3)
- The second digit is the objective/subgoal e.g. 1104 would be a 1.A.1 project and 1504 would be 1.B.1 (fifth objective under goal 1).
- The third and fourth digits reflect the order of listing under that subgoal/objective e.g.1104 would be the fourth project under that objective.



Elements of an Objective

- Quantifiable unit of measurement
- Lead agency designated
- Project sheet (updated every year)



Strategic Plan Goals

- GOAL 1: GET THE WATER RIGHT
- GOAL 2: RESTORE, PRESERVE, AND PROTECT NATURAL HABITATS & SPECIES
- GOAL 3: FOSTER COMPATIBILITY OF THE BUILT AND NATURAL SYSTEMS



GOAL 1

GET THE WATER RIGHT

Subgoal 1-A: Get the hydrology right

- Objective 1-A.1: Provide 1.8 million acre-feet of surface water storage by 2036
- Objective 1-A.2: Develop **alternative water storage systems** capable of storing 1.5 billion gallons per day by 2030
- Objective 1-A.3: Modify 345 miles of impediments to flow by 2020



GOAL 1

GET THE WATER RIGHT

Subgoal 1-B: Get the water quality right

- Objective 1-B.1: Construct 91,345 acres of stormwater treatment areas by 2035
- Objective 1-B.2: Prepare locally-based plans to reduce pollutants as determined necessary by the total maximum daily loads by 2011



GOAL 2: RESTORE, PRESERVE, AND PROTECT NATURAL HABITATS & SPECIES

Subgoal 2-A: Restore, preserve, and protect natural habitats

- **Objective 2-A.1: Complete acquisition of 5.8 million acres of land identified for habitat protection by 2020**
- **Objective 2-A.2: Protect 20 percent of the coral reefs by 2010**
- **Objective 2-A.3: Improve habitat quality for 2.4 million acres of natural areas in south Florida**



GOAL 2: RESTORE, PRESERVE, AND PROTECT NATURAL HABITATS & SPECIES

Subgoal 2-B: Control invasive exotic plants and animals

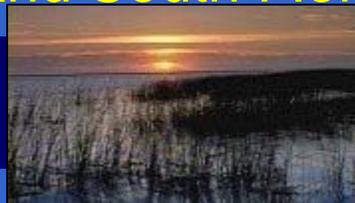
- Objective 2-B.1: Achieve maintenance control of Brazilian pepper, melaleuca, Australian pine, and Old World climbing fern on south Florida's public conservation lands by 2020
- **Objective 2-B.2: Release 2 biological control insects per year for the control of invasive exotic plants**
- **Objective 2-B.3: Achieve eradication of Gambian pouch rat by 2012**



GOAL 3: FOSTER COMPATIBILITY OF THE BUILT AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

Subgoal 3-A: Use and manage land in a manner compatible with restoration

- Objective 3-A.1: Prepare a land use analysis for selected restoration projects
- Objective 3-A.2: Designate or acquire an additional 10,000 acres of lands needed for parks, recreation, and open space to complement South Florida Ecosystem Restoration through local, state, and federal programs by 2015
- Objective 3-A.3: Increase participation by 350,000 acres in the Grassland Reserve Program, Wetland Reserve Program, Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program, and the Environmental Quality Incentive Program to promote compatibility between agricultural production and South Florida Ecosystem Restoration by 2014



GOAL 3: FOSTER COMPATIBILITY OF THE BUILT AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

Subgoal 3-A: Use and manage land in a manner compatible with restoration - continued

- Objective 3-A.4: Increase the number of local governments that adopt into their comprehensive plans (goals, objectives, policies, and related strategies) - concepts compatible with South Florida Ecosystem Restoration
- Objective 3-A.5: Increase the use of educational programs and initiatives to further the publics' and local governments' understanding of the benefits of South Florida Ecosystem Restoration



GOAL 3: FOSTER COMPATIBILITY OF THE BUILT AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

Subgoal 3-B: Maintain or improve flood protection in a manner compatible with ecosystem restoration

- Objective 3-B.1: Maintain or improve existing levels of flood protection for the urban, agricultural, and natural environments
- **Objective 3-B.2: Rehabilitate the Herbert Hoover Dike to provide adequate levels of flood protection to the communities and lands surrounding Lake Okeechobee**



GOAL 3: FOSTER COMPATIBILITY OF THE BUILT AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

Subgoal 3-C: Provide sufficient water resources for built and natural systems

- Objective 3-C.1: Plan for regional water supply needs
- Objective 3-C.2: Increase volumes of reuse on a regional basis
- Objective 3-C.3: Increase water made available through the **State's Water Protection and Sustainability Program** and the SFWMD's Alternative Water Supply funding program



“Other” Projects

Projects listed as other:

- 1A – 1400-1433 other related hydrology
- 1B – 1700-1719 other related water quality
- 2A – 2400-2404 other natural habitat and species
- 3C – 4100-4104 other built and natural systems compatibility projects



Opportunities

- **Continuous improvement in the way we think about “ecosystem” restoration**
- **Value added in the process of developing the reports**
- **Improve and reinforce individual and collective efforts**



PROPOSED SCHEDULE

- April 28 – WG overview and discussion
- April 30, 08 - Input on Volume 1 Coordinating and Tracking Success Text due from Points of Contact
- May 30, 08 - Integrated Financial Plan (IFP) Volume 2 - Project Sheets due from Points of Contact
- June 27, 08 – Draft Volume 1 distributed to Working Group
- July 16-17, 08 – Strategy presented at Working Group meeting
- August 7, 08 – **Final** comments due to OED
- August 29, 08 – Final strategy distributed to Task Force for approval at the September 17-18 meeting



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