

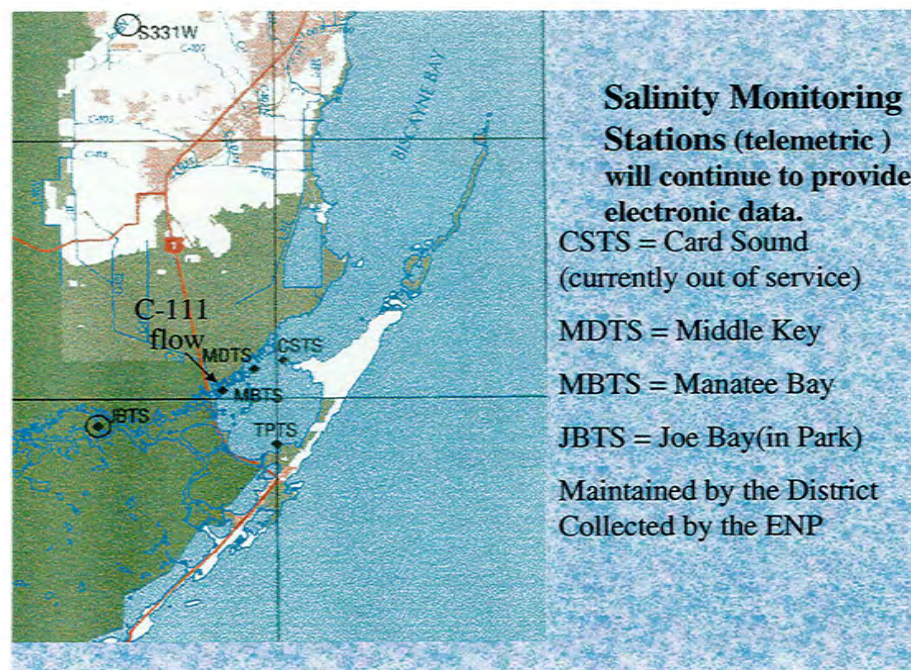
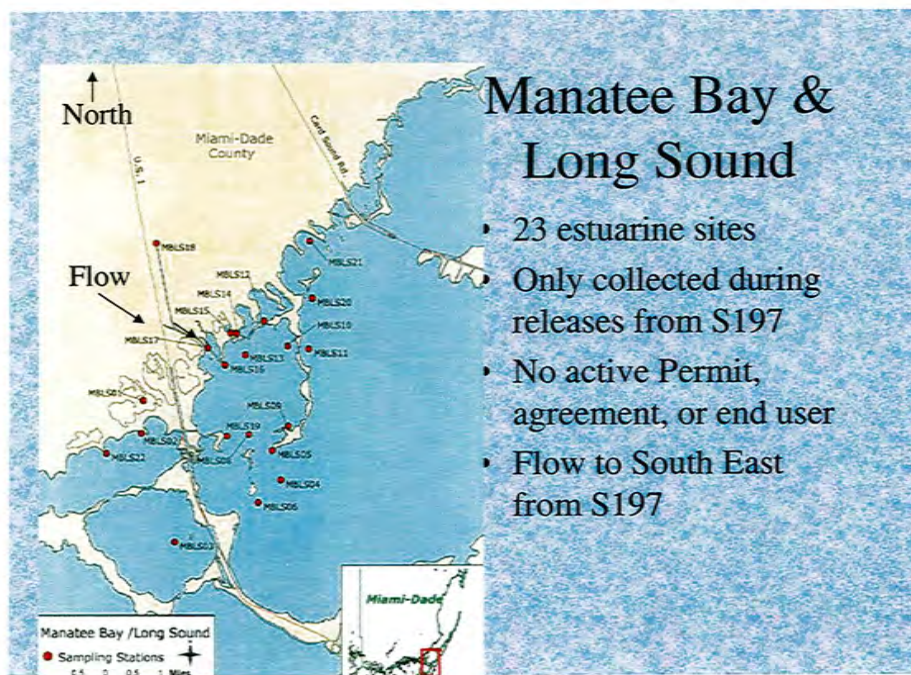
# Manatee Bay & Long Sound Sampling Reduction Request

A Request to the Everglades  
Technical Oversight Committee

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## Current collection of Manatee Bay & Long Sound

- This monitoring program was initiated July 1991 in association with C-111 monitoring and operation permit # 131654749, which expired in 1996.
- Collected by Miami Dade / DERM under contract C-11225
- Storm event monitoring by boat



## Reasons for Reduced Monitoring

- During review of the Manatee Bay Long Sound monitoring no justification for continued Water Quality monitoring was found.
- Emails / meetings indicated no District end user.
- Permit review revealed a permit that expired in 1996.

## S197 & C111

- These structures are currently permitted under Non-Everglades Construction Project which does not require downstream monitoring.
- Data will still be available in the Bay via three Salinity Monitoring Stations:
  - Middle Key
  - Manatee Bay
  - Joe Bay

## Summary

- There appears to be no hard mandate for monitoring.
- Time specific requirements have expired.
- There does not appear to be an active user of the data.

## Recommendation

- Staff of the SFWMD respectfully suggest that the goals and terms associated with monitoring in Manatee Bay & Long Sound have been met and that monitoring of the 23 sites should cease.