

STA 3/4 is one of six similar constructed wetlands built as part of the Everglades Construction Project authorized by the Everglades Forever Act. Since 1994, these STAs have retained 960 metric tons of phosphorus, preventing it from entering the Everglades.

In all, Florida has invested more than to \$2 billion toward the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan and an additional \$1.8 billion to improve water quality in the Everglades.

## RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

There are many ways to explore the outdoors and see the native wildlife at STA 3/4. Be sure to bring your favorite camera or pair of binoculars.

Marked trailheads guide hikers and bicyclists along four miles of trails and side loops that meander into different wildlife habitats. Quiet visitors can get close enough to see vivid pink roseate spoonbills and great blue herons. Trails are open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays from sunrise to sunset.

The boat ramp provides access to 27 miles of exterior canals that are great spots for fishing, kayaking and canoeing. Motorboats are permitted in the exterior canals where largemouth bass and other fish are prime prey for eagles, hawks and anyone with a fishing pole. The boat ramp is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

## WHAT'S AT WORK

The many species visitors now see at STA 3/4 are living in a marsh that was converted from a vast agricultural area.

Within the constructed wetland, the South Florida Water Management District is monitoring experimental plots of vegetation to better understand how algae and wetland plant species filter nutrients from water.

Scientists and water managers are also collecting data about water quality and working to keep water flows moving at the best rates for phosphorus removal.

## VISITOR GUIDELINES

Stay on designated trails.

This is a natural area. Trash cans are not provided, so take out what you bring in. Please do not litter.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission fishing and wildlife rules and regulations apply. Please report violations to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at 1-888-404-FWCC (3922).

To report rule violations or suspicious behavior contact 1-800-432-2045, security extension 6449.

For emergencies, please call 911.

The Harold A. Campbell Public Use Facility at STA 3/4 is off U.S. 27 about 25 miles south of the city of South Bay, or about 14 miles north of Alligator Alley. For more information, call our recreation hotline at 1-866-433-6312 or visit our web site at [www.sfwmd.gov](http://www.sfwmd.gov), and click the recreation link.

## Enjoy Your Visit



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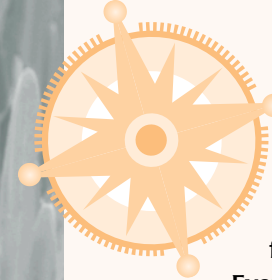


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# HAROLD A. CAMPBELL PUBLIC USE AREA At Stormwater Treatment Area 3/4



By careful design, Stormwater Treatment Area 3/4 (STA 3/4) mimics the natural wetlands that once stretched across South Florida and filtered water flows throughout the Everglades. The resemblance is so close that many native species of animal and plant life are making their home in this 16,772-acre constructed wetland in southwestern Palm Beach County.

Come  
out  
and  
play

Beneath the scenic surface, STA 3/4 is doing serious work using "green technology" to remove excess phosphorus from urban and agricultural runoff. Too much of the nutrient phosphorus promotes an overgrowth of plant life and alters the habitat that Florida's native plants and animals need to thrive in the Everglades. STAs remove phosphorus from water by channeling it through shallow marshes filled with aquatic plants that take up or absorb the phosphorus.



The marshy environment also attracts wading birds, ducks, turtles, fish, alligators and other native wildlife.



# STORMWATER TREATMENT AREA 3/4

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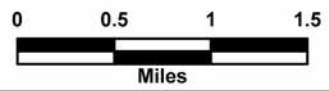
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Public Use Area

Everglades Wildlife Management Area  
(Water Conservation Area 3A)

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L-5 Canal

- Boat Ramp
- Access Point
- Internal Levee
- Hiking/Bicycling Trail
- Canoeing/Boating Trail
- Canal/Stream
- Project Boundary



**Be advised that there are always risks associated with visiting natural areas. There are few, if any, amenities, such as shelters and no potable water. For your own comfort, please plan ahead. Unless otherwise indicated, public access is restricted on all levees. Fishing is allowed on canals and in borrow pits.**

**Permitted Uses**

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## Harold A. Campbell (Stormwater Treatment Area 3/4) Public Use Area Recreational Opportunities

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