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Public Encouraged to Provide Input for C-43 Storage Reservoir Water Quality Study

*Join us as we identify opportunities to improve water quality
with this reservoir now under construction,
one of Gov. Ron DeSantis' priority restoration projects*

FORT MYERS, Fla.- The public is invited to provide input and ideas to improving water quality as part of the C-43 Reservoir Project. Members of the public can be a part of this important effort to evaluate water quality opportunities to support the Caloosahatchee Estuary. The C-43 Reservoir will store approximately 170,00 acre-feet of local basin stormwater runoff.

Join us on Fri., Sept. 27 for this important public meeting that will culminate in a final feasibility study in 2020. State agencies and local governments within the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary Watershed are partnering on the C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Water Quality Feasibility Study. Participants include the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), Lee County, Hendry County, Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District (MSID), city of Cape Coral, and city of Sanibel.

Public participation is critical as we identify at least three options to provide additional water quality improvement for water that will leave the C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir, currently under construction. The study is one of the priority projects identified by Gov. Ron DeSantis in his

Achieving More Now for Florida's Environment Executive Order to restore the Everglades and protect Florida's water resources.

We will hold a series of public meetings culminating in a final feasibility study and presentation in 2020. At the first public meeting on Sept. 27, we will discuss the goals and objectives of the study and review pertinent studies and technologies for water quality improvement.

What:	C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Water Quality Feasibility Study First Public Hearing
Date:	Friday, Sept. 27, 2019
Time:	2-4 p.m.
Location:	SW Florida Community Foundation Collaboratory 2031 Jackson Street, Suite 100 Fort Myers, FL 33901

The South Florida Water Management District is a regional governmental agency that manages the water resources in the southern part of the state. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. Our mission is to safeguard and restore South Florida's water resources and ecosystems, protect our communities from flooding, and meet the region's water needs while connecting with the public and stakeholders.

