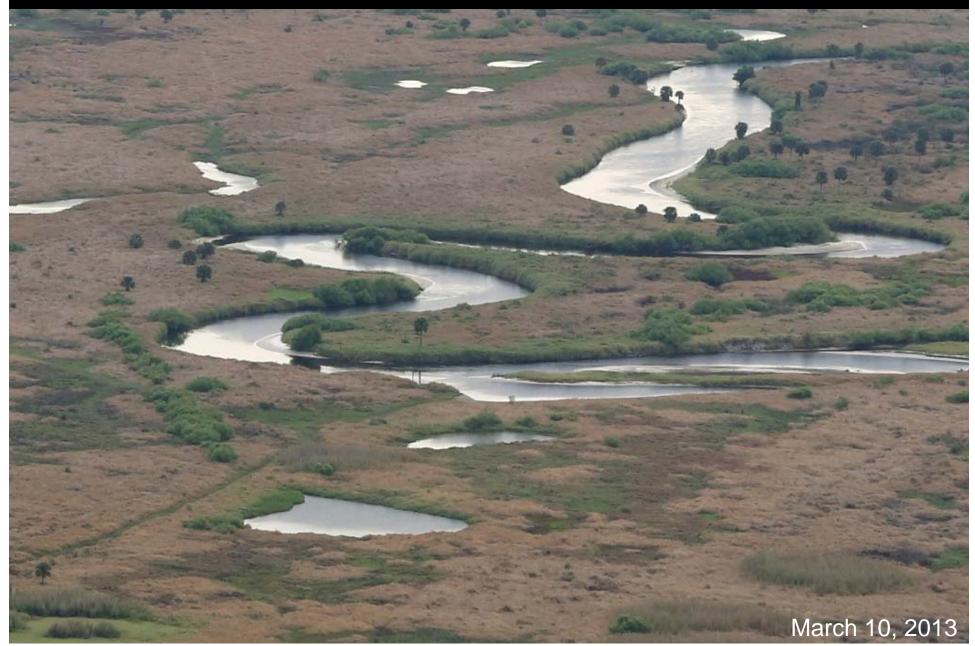
# March 2013 Kissimmee Basin Environmental and Restoration Features



Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area under dry season conditions



A great blue heron takes flight in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area.



Littoral Lake Kissimmee – patches of spatterdock



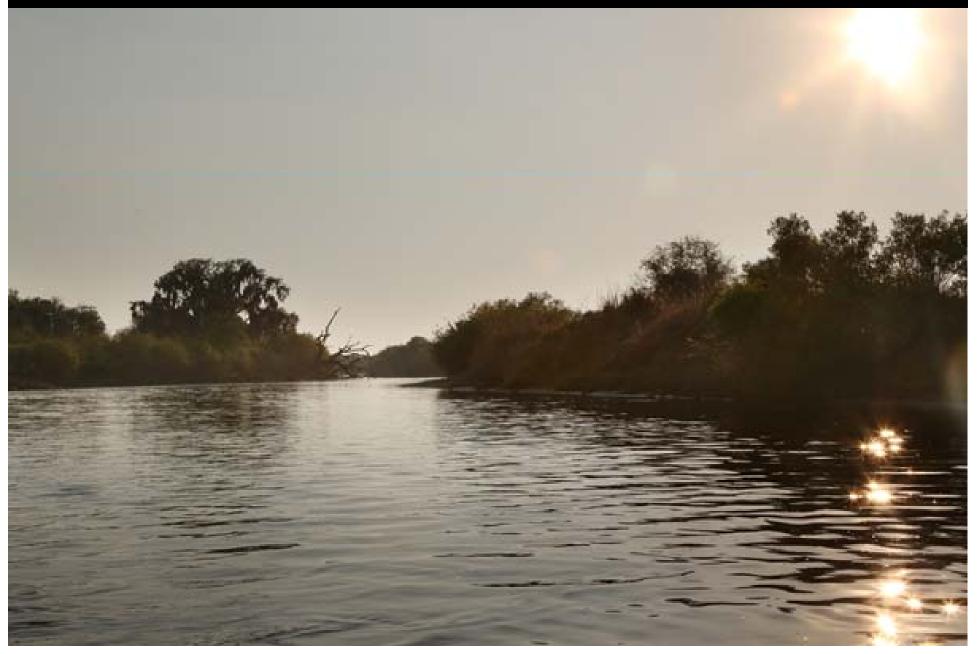
A Florida snapping turtle heads for deeper water in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area.



SFWMD environmental scientists search through a throw trap sample in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area floodplain



An American alligator captures an exotic sailfin catfish in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area.



Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area river channel



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A monster American alligator in Pool A C-38 canal (unrestored) takes a spring break.



Yellowlegs forage along the river shoreline in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area.



An American alligator tests the water in the Phase IVB Kissimmee River Restoration area.



A tri-colored heron fishes along the river's sandy shoreline in the Kissimmee River Phase I Restoration area.



The C-38 canal and remnant river channels in the Pool A (unrestored) section of the Kissimmee River



An American alligator in the Phase IVA restoration area appears to be getting by with two feet missing.



Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area main river channel and nearby abandoned river channels





Oak Creek floodplain wetlands in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area are nearly completely dry by the end of March



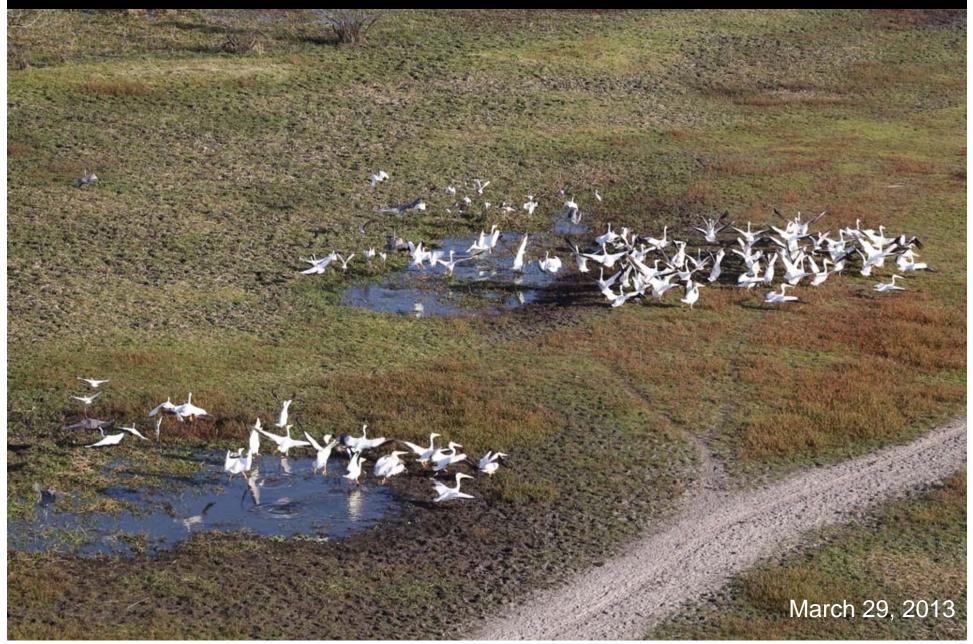
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River channels wind through the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



Sandy shores line the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area river channel.



White pelicans and other wading birds forage in drying pools on the edge of the floodplain in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



Animal trails wind through the grasses of the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area floodplain.



White wading birds forage in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area floodplain drying pools. Can you spot the white-tailed deer?



White pelicans and other waders forage in a large drying pool in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



In the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area, floodplain tracks from mammals, birds and reptiles line the muddy shoreline of a drying pool.



Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area floodplain



White pelicans on the move



Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area river channel, floodplain and abandoned river channels



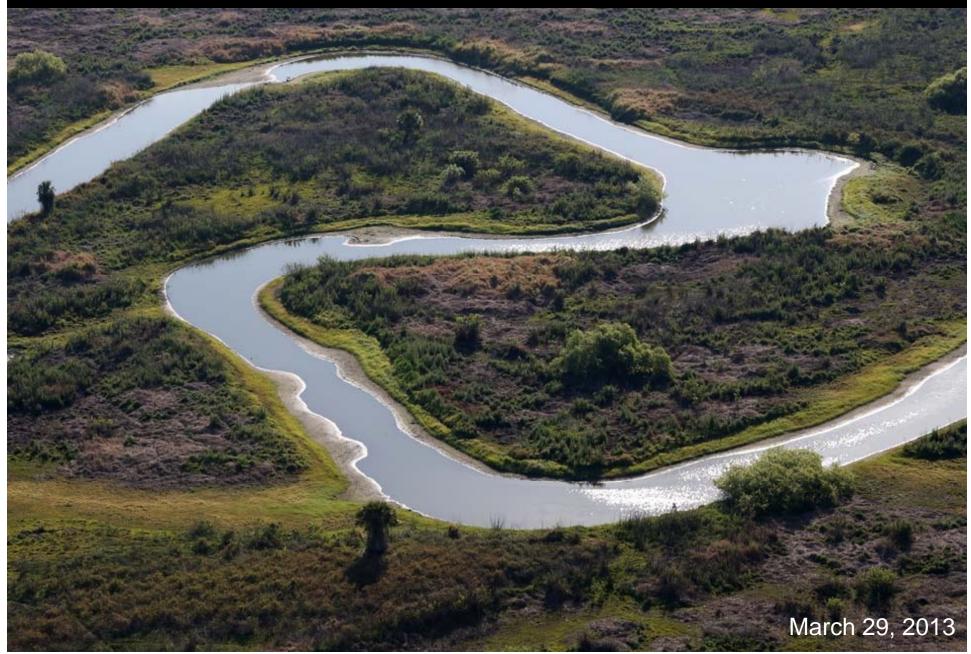
White pelicans fly in to join a foraging flock in a drying pool in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



White pelicans and other wading birds forage in a large drying pool in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area floodplain near the main river channel.



White pelicans perch in the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



An abandoned channel zigzags through the Phase I Kissimmee River Restoration area.



Florida snapping turtle