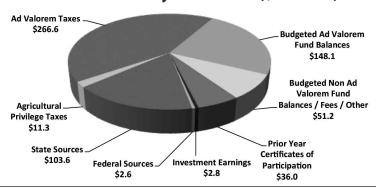
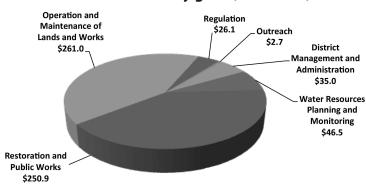
FY2014 Budget = \$622.2 million

Effective October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014

Where the money comes from (\$ millions)



Where the money goes (\$ millions)



Adopted Ad Valorem Millage Rates FY2014

Okeechobee Basin	Millage Rates
District-at-Large	0.1685
Okeechobee Basin	0.1838
Everglades Construction Project	0.0587
Total Combined Millage Rate	0.4110*

^{*}Represents \$41.10 per \$100,000 of taxable value

Big Cypress Basin	Millage Rates
District-at-Large	0.1685
Big Cypress Basin	<u>0.1593</u>
Total Combined Millage Rate	0.3278**

^{**}Represents \$32.78 per \$100,000 of taxable value



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To manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply

Approved Budget Supports Restoration, Flood Control

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 budget of \$622.2 million funds the agency's core flood protection and water supply missions as well as its continued progress to restore the South Florida ecosystem. This budget allows the District to continue implementing projects that improve water quality in the Everglades, increase regional water storage and redirect more flows south of Lake Okeechobee to benefit the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries.



The SFWMD encompasses all or part of 16 counties, with two distinct taxing basins – the Okeechobee Basin and the Big Cypress Basin.



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Focus on Resource Protection and Safety Responsibilities

The District's FY2014 total fiscal resources (ad valorem revenue along with state appropriations, federal sources, balances, fees and agricultural privilege taxes) are directly focused on achieving the agency's responsibilities for resource protection and health, safety and welfare:

- ✓ Providing flood control and hurricane response, with an emphasis on increased water storage and system flexibility
- Improving water quality and restoring the Everglades, including lessening the impacts of stormwater runoff and freshwater discharges on coastal estuaries
- Meeting ongoing water supply and water resource development needs
- Implementing consistent and streamlined regulatory programs

The FY2014 budget includes \$196 million from accumulated reserves primarily to implement critical water resource projects to improve water storage and water quality in the northern and southern Everglades. Sufficient reserves are maintained to address hurricane or unanticipated flood control infrastructure emergencies.

FY2014 Budget Highlights

The Florida Legislature appropriated \$67 million to help move key Everglades projects forward. By utilizing those state funds and other sources, the SFWMD budget dedicates more than 80 percent of agency revenues toward restoration and operations/maintenance of lands and works.

Key expenditures include:

- ▶ **\$261 million** to primarily operate and maintain South Florida's regional flood control system and stormwater treatment areas (STAs), including \$50 million toward refurbishment of the primary network of canals, levees, structures and pump stations.
- ▶ **\$250.9 million** to restore the Everglades ecosystem, improve Lake Okeechobee and protect the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries, including:
 - \$101.6 million to implement Restoration Strategies designed to improve the quality of water flowing into America's Everglades
 - **\$72.4 million** to enhance and expand water treatment facilities and construct more than 100,000 acre-feet of water storage.
 - \$17.5 million to increase treatment capacity at STA-1 West.
 - \$2.4 million to construct additional conveyance features.
 - \$9.3 million for implementing a comprehensive science plan to optimize STA performance; modeling for regional operations of the new STAs and storage basins; and additional source controls.
 - \$8.5 million to implement water quality treatment and storage projects in the Caloosahatchee watershed.
 - **\$29 million** to support construction of the Indian River Lagoon-South C-44 (St. Lucie) Reservoir and to take the lead on constructing the Stormwater Treatment Area component.
 - \$2.7 million in additional legislative funding to move more water south to benefit the coastal estuaries.
 - **\$9.4 million** to expand public-private partnerships with landowners to hold water on their property and increase regional water storage. This builds on the more than \$18 million investment to date toward the District's Dispersed Water Management program.