

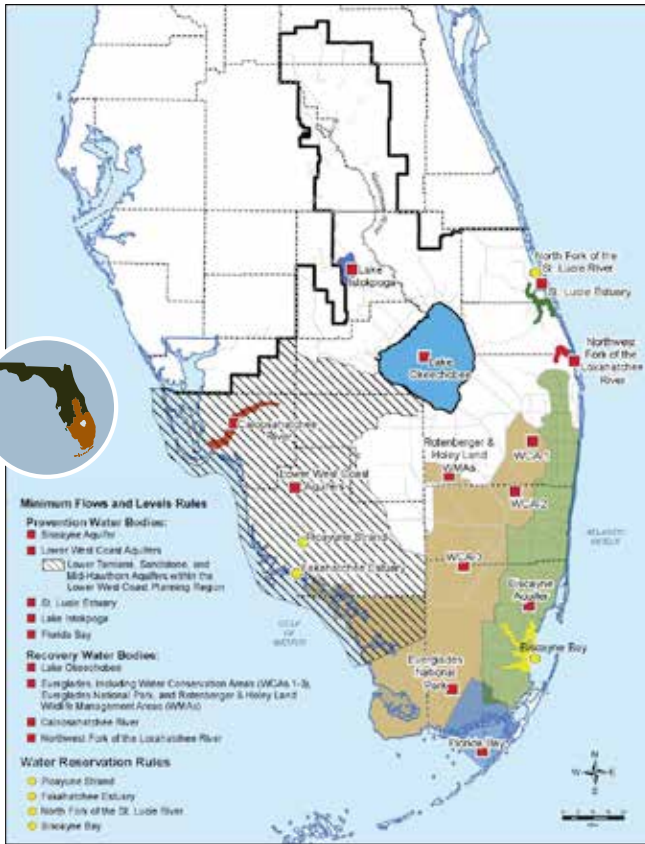
# 2014 Priority Water Bodies List and Schedule

To protect and conserve adequate water supplies for natural systems, the South Florida Water Management District adopts water resource protection rules and criteria, including Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs), Water Reservations, and Restricted Allocation Areas. Chapter 3 of Volume II provides a summary of rules and criteria in effect during 2013 and the priorities and schedule for developing new rules planned for 2014 through 2018.

In accordance with state law, the District develops an annual Priority Water Body List and Schedule, which identifies specific water bodies for which MFL and Water Reservation rules will be adopted to protect them from the effects of consumptive use allocations. In addition to MFLs and Water Reservations, the District also implements consumptive use permitting criteria and Restricted Allocation Area rules. The District has adopted nine rules establishing minimum flows and levels for 40 water bodies, four Water Reservations (top map), and six Restricted Allocation Areas (bottom map).

In October 2013, the District's Governing Board adopted the 2014 Priority Water Body List and Schedule, which was subsequently submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for review and approval. In July 2013, the District adopted a Water Reservation rule for nearshore Biscayne Bay, which is associated with the Biscayne Coastal Wetlands Project. The District continued collecting technical data and refining hydrodynamic and ecological models as part of the MFL reevaluation for the Caloosahatchee River. Technical reevaluation and updating documentation for the northeastern Florida Bay MFL also progressed this past year and is expected to be completed in March 2014.

The District's planned MFL and Water Reservation activities for 2014 are the adoption of a Water Reservation for the Caloosahatchee River (C-43) West Basin Storage Reservoir Project and continuing the reservation process for the Kissimmee Basin, which includes the Upper Chain of Lakes and the Kissimmee River and its floodplain. Further details on these plans are available at [www.sfwmd.gov/reservations](http://www.sfwmd.gov/reservations).



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