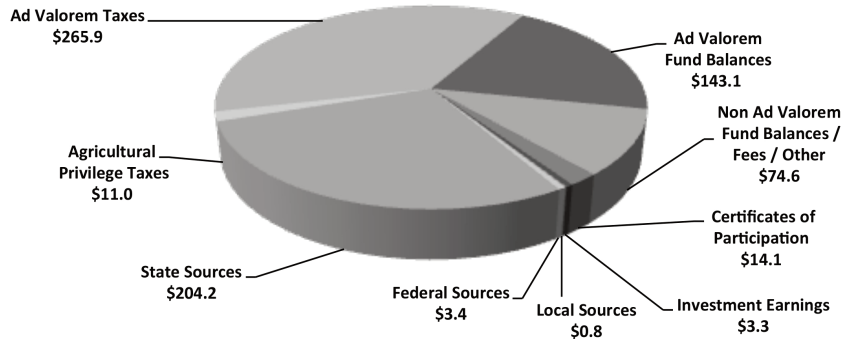


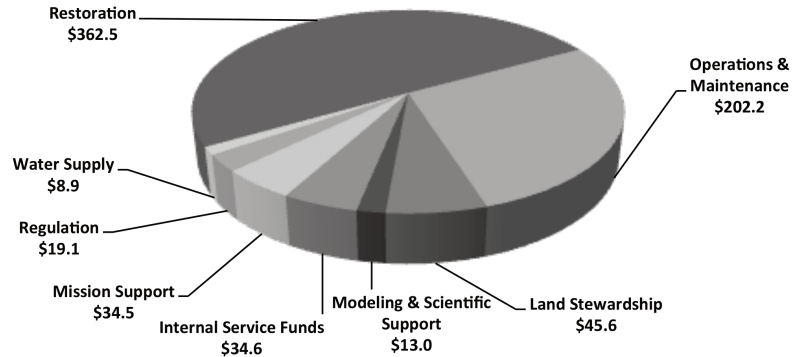
FY2015 Budget = \$720.4 million

Effective October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015

Where the money comes from (\$ millions)



Where the money goes (\$ millions)



Adopted Ad Valorem Millage Rates FY2015

Okeechobee Basin Millage Rates

District-at-Large	0.1577
Okeechobee Basin	0.1717
Everglades Construction Project	0.0548

Total Combined Millage Rate 0.3842*

*Represents \$38.42 per \$100,000 of taxable value – a reduction of \$2.68 per \$100,000 of taxable value from FY2014 adopted rates.

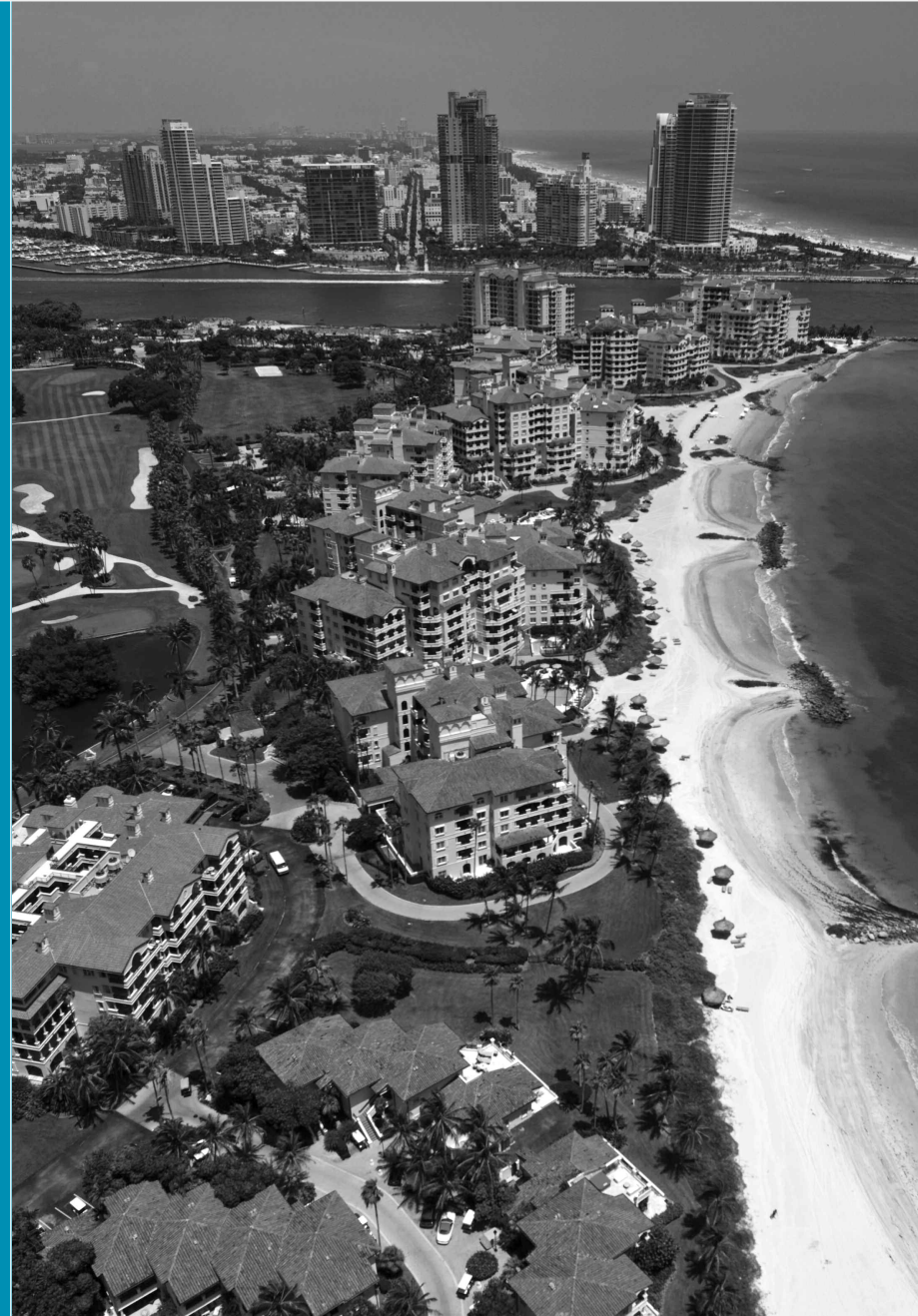
Big Cypress Basin Millage Rates

District-at-Large	0.1577
Big Cypress Basin	0.1520

Total Combined Millage Rate 0.3097**

**Represents \$30.97 per \$100,000 of taxable value – a reduction of \$1.81 per \$100,000 of taxable value from FY2014 adopted rates.

Budget in Brief FY2014-15



MISSION

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

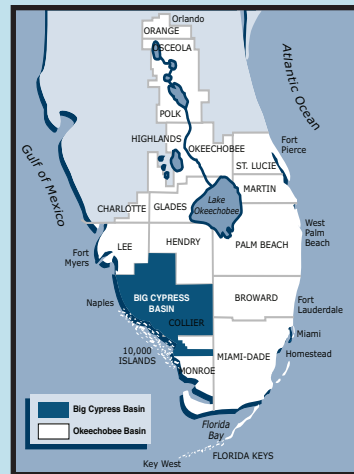


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Budget Includes Major Support from State

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 budget of \$720.4 million funds the agency's core flood protection and water supply missions as well as its continued progress to improve water quality and restore the South Florida ecosystem. This budget supports operation and refurbishment of the regional water control system and puts state funding to work to benefit the Kissimmee River, Lake Okeechobee, coastal estuaries and the Everglades.



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

FY2015 Budget Highlights

The Florida Legislature appropriated \$137.8 million to help move key Everglades projects forward. By utilizing those state funds and other sources, the SFWMD budget dedicates nearly 80 percent of agency revenues toward restoration and system operations.

Key expenditures include:

- ▶ **\$202.2 million** to operate and maintain South Florida's regional flood control system, and other associated works, including **\$52.4 million** toward refurbishment of the primary network of canals, levees, structures and pump stations.
- ▶ **\$362.5 million** to build projects and implement programs to restore America's Everglades – from the Kissimmee headwaters to Florida Bay:
 - **\$71.4 million** to continue implementing the Governor's Restoration Strategies plan for improving the quality of water flowing into the Everglades. Funds will be used to:
 - Continue construction on two Flow Equalization Basins.
 - Increase existing stormwater treatment area capacity.
 - Construct additional conveyance features.
 - Continue implementation of the Science Plan.
 - Plan, design and initiate construction on the Mecca shallow impoundment and the Lainhart and Masten dams in the Loxahatchee watershed.
 - Implement additional source control activities.
 - **\$67.2 million** for continued construction of the C-44 Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area project.
 - **\$20.6 million** for C-111 South Dade project cost-sharing construction of the north detention area with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
 - **\$16 million** for Picayune Strand Restoration manatee mitigation construction, acquisition and operational testing/monitoring of the Merritt and Faka Union pump stations.
 - **\$17.7 million** for Kissimmee River Restoration and Headwaters revitalization.
 - **\$23.9 million** toward the District's Dispersed Water Management program.
 - **\$30.3 million** to implement water quality treatment and storage projects in the Caloosahatchee watershed.

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Focus on Resource Protection and Safety Responsibilities

The District's FY2015 total fiscal resources (ad valorem revenue along with state appropriations, federal and local 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 FY2015 budget includes \$143.1 million from accumulated ad valorem 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.