SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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 Headquartered in West Palm Beach, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is a regional governmental agency that oversees the water resources in 16 counties – from Orlando to the Florida Keys.

• With a population of 8.7 million residents, this region covers 17,930 square miles (31 percent of the entire state) and includes vast areas of agricultural lands, water conservation areas and urban development.

OUR MISSION

 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

Big Cypress Basin (BCB) 2019-2020 Budget

Quick Facts on the Oct. 1, 2019-Sept. 30, 2020 Fiscal Year Budget

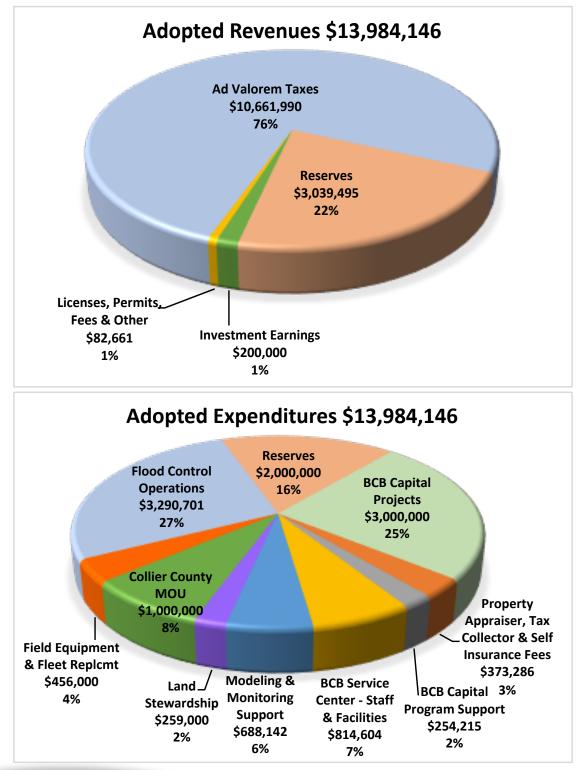


The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board approved budget for the Big Cypress Basin (BCB) is \$13.9 million for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. The Big Cypress Basin, which encompasses Collier County and a small portion of mainland Monroe County, manages a network of 153 miles of primary canals, 45 water control structures and four pumps, providing flood control during the wet season and protecting regional water supplies and environmental resources from over-drainage during the dry season.

Budget Highlights

- \$4.6 million for operations, engineering and construction
- \$3.6 million to operate the Big Cypress Basin Service Center to provide flood protection, provide grants to partner agencies and monitor water quality.
- \$3.4 million for field operations and land management within the basin
- \$2.4 million for debt service, fees and reserves
- The BCB budget also funds capital improvement projects needed to provide flood protection, water supply and environmental needs to BCB residents, including canal improvements and the replacement of crucial flood protection weirs
- Approximately 76 percent of the revenue funding the BCB budget comes from ad valorem (property) taxes. For the ninth year in a row, the SFWMD Governing Board approved a BCB budget that does not raise property tax rates. The millage rate for BCB property owners is \$23.44 per \$100,000 of taxable value.

SFWMD's Big Cypress Basin 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget





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