



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.

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

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SFWMD 2023-2024 Budget

Quick Facts on the Oct. 1, 2023-Sept. 30, 2024 Fiscal Year Budget



The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board's Adopted Budget is \$1.23 billion for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year. The budget continues to support Governor Ron DeSantis' *Achieving Even More Now for Florida's Environment Executive Order 23-06* to advance Everglades restoration, water resource resilience, and improve water quality.

Budget Highlights

More than \$620 million to continue Everglades and ecosystem restoration progress.

- ◆ Completing the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) Reservoir Project's Stormwater Treatment Area
- ◆ Completing the 13-year Restoration Strategies program, sending cleaner water to the Everglades
- ◆ Completing the CEPP New Water Seepage Wall in the 8.5 Square Mile Area
- ◆ Breaking ground on the C-23/C-24 South Reservoir for the protection of the St. Lucie Estuary and Indian River Lagoon
- ◆ Building additional components of the Central Everglades Planning Project
- ◆ Continuing to implement the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project
- ◆ Awarding the final contract for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Project
- ◆ Continuing to make progress on the Caloosahatchee (C-43) Reservoir Project

More than \$315 million to upgrade and maintain water management infrastructure that makes up the regional flood protection system and the operations of new infrastructure associated with completed Everglades restoration projects.

- ◆ Over \$84 million for refurbishments of the flood protection system
- ◆ Over \$56 million for hurricane/tropical weather impacts or unanticipated flood protection emergencies



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Budget Highlights (continued)

More than \$76 million for science, monitoring and water supply projects.

- ◆ Expand water quality monitoring in the Everglades and in several critical estuaries and watersheds
- ◆ Support for numerous alternative water supply projects with local partners
- ◆ Watershed protection planning
- ◆ Python research

More than \$25.9 million to address sea level rise and climate change impacts.

- ◆ Ensure the continued and future resiliency of the flood protection and water supply systems

More than \$65 million for conservation and land stewardship.

- ◆ Acting as good stewards for more than one million acres of public lands
- ◆ Battling invasive plants and animals

More than \$15 million for Big Cypress Basin flood control operations, maintenance and land stewardship.

- ◆ Capital improvement projects for the Big Cypress Basin

More than \$24 million for regulation and public engagement efforts.

- ◆ Enhanced environmental enforcement
- ◆ Efforts to further expand public engagement and transparency

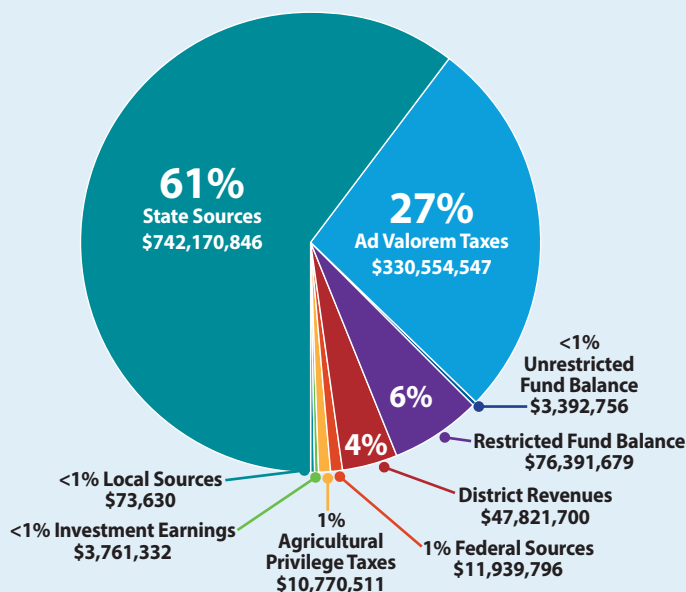
\$66 million to continue to attract and develop SFWMD's award-winning staff.

- ◆ Scientists, engineers, and other water management professionals

Revenue Sources and Adopted Millage Rates

- The annual budget is funded by a combination of ad valorem (property) taxes and other revenues such as state appropriations, federal and local sources, fees, investment earnings and agricultural privilege taxes.
- The millage rate for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year represents \$23.01 per \$100,000 of taxable value in 15 of the District's 16 counties (Okeechobee Basin).
- The millage rate for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year represents \$19.26 per \$100,000 of taxable value in Collier and mainland Monroe counties (Big Cypress Basin).

SFWMD FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ADOPTED REVENUE REVENUES \$1,226,876,797



SFWMD FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ADOPTED EXPENDITURES EXPENDITURES \$1,226,876,797

