Final Agenda
Special Meeting of the Technical Oversight Committee
March 2, 2004  10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

South Florida Water Management District
Headquarters, B-1 Building, Auditorium,
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680

This is a special TOC meeting arranged to continue developing action strategies and priorities on recommendations to the Principals that were attached to the July 24, 2003 letter. In their 12/17/03 response, the Principals state in part: “To assist in determining how to move forward on your recommendations, we request that the TOC meet to prioritize the TOC’s July 24, 2003 action items to include a cost estimate, a proposed allocation of responsibilities, and additional details more fully describing each action item for the Principals’ review.”

The complete letter from the Principals is posted on the TOC website at: www.sfwmd.gov/org/ema/toc.

Routine compliance reports and project updates will be included in the next quarterly TOC meeting on May 25, 2004.

Introductory Comments: Additions or modifications to the agenda.
Garth Redfield (TOC Chair), SFWMD.

1. * Approval of TOC minutes from August 12, 2003, October 30, 2003 and January 8, 2004 TOC meetings (15 minutes). Garth Redfield, SFWMD

2. “Florida in the Sunshine” statute and the TOC process: Guidelines for compliance (10 minutes). Frank Bartolone, SFWMD.

3. Update on STA 3/4 (20 minutes). Gary Goforth, SFWMD

4. * Continuing Discussion and prioritization of Category A Recommendations to Principals on “Controlling Phosphorus loads to the Refuge” through summary matrix presented at 2/3/04 TOC. (60 minutes) Gary Goforth, Tracey Piccone and Garth Redfield, SFWMD, discussion leads

5. * Discussion and prioritization of Category B Recommendations to the Principals on “Enhancing monitoring of the Refuge.” (60 minutes) Nick Aumen, NPS, and Mike Waldon, USFWS, discussion leads

6. * Discussion and prioritization of Category C Recommendations to Principals on “Modeling of the Refuge.” (60 minutes) Mike Waldon, USFWS and Paul DuBowy, USACE, discussion leads
7. Additional Public Comments

8. Dates for Future TOC meetings:
   April 6, 2004: Special meeting, Storch Room  10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
   May 25, 2004: Quarterly meeting, Storch Room  10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
   June 22, 2004: Special meeting, Storch Room  10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
   July 27, 2004: Special meeting, Storch Room  10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
   August 26, 2004: Quarterly meeting, Storch Room  10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

September 2004 – No Meeting Scheduled (2005 ECR Peer Review & Public Workshops proposed for late September or early October)

Additional meeting dates for consideration (Storch Room):
   Fri 10/22/04, Special  9a-5p
   Tues 10/26/04, Special  9a-3p
   Tues 11/9/04, Qtrly  9a-3p
   Wed 11/24/04, Qtrly  9a-5p
   Tues 12/7/04, Special  9a-3p
   Wed 12/15/04, Special  12p-5p

9. Suggested Future Topics to TOC
   1. Coordination of regional water management decisions with Water Supply and Environment (WSE) and the requirements of the Settlement Agreement.
   2. The EAA BMP Program: On-going research, monitoring and applications to improve performance.
   3. Water quality sampling schemes at variable flow canal sites.
   4. TBEL Permitting Process.
   5. Consistency in grab sampling versus auto sampling.

* Items for consideration and possible action by the Technical Oversight Committee.