# SFWMD Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget



Oct. 1, 2018 - Sept. 30, 2019

#### Overview

The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board approved budget is **\$813.9 million** for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. The agency's budget is developed annually through a public process, including review and approval by the Governor and the Joint Legislative Budget Commission.

### **Budget Highlights**

- Approximately 86 percent of the 2018-2019 budget is dedicated to support flood control, operations and maintenance of lands and advancing ecosystem restoration goals.
- The 2018-2019 budget dedicates more than \$36 million to implementing the next phases of the Governor's \$880 million Restoration Strategies plan to improve Everglades water quality.
  - \$10 million for Bolles Canal conveyance improvements construction;
  - \$10 million to continue STA-5 Earthwork Improvements;
  - \$7 million to design and start construction on Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) 1 West Expansion 2;
  - o \$6 million for C-139 Flow Equalization Basins (FEB) to start design; and
  - \$3 million to continue implementation of the Science Plan to monitor and improve the water-cleansing performance of the STAs.
- Over \$250 million to continue the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) for projects such as C-43 Reservoir, Old Tamiami Trail Removal, increasing the capacity of S-333, planning of future CERP projects and Everglades Agricultural Area Storage Reservoir Project;
- Over \$100 million for ongoing operations and maintenance and exotic control of the Central and Southern Florida Project (C&SF), Big Cypress Basin and Stormwater Treatment Areas;
- Over \$80 million for Northern Everglades & Estuaries including such projects as Dispersed Water Management, Lakeside Ranch and Estuary Protection measures; and
- \$62 million for continued refurbishment of South Florida's flood control system.

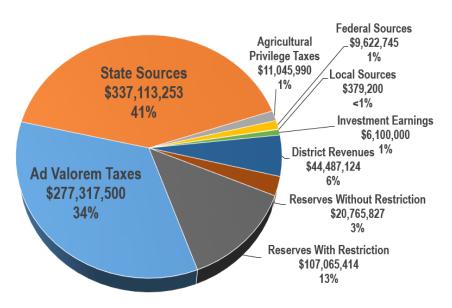
#### **Revenue Sources & Adopted Millage Rates**

- 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.
- For the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, **\$277.3 million** is provided by property taxes, **\$337.1 million** is provided by state sources and **\$127.8 million** is from accumulated reserves. For the eighth year in a row, the SFWMD Governing Board has not raised its property tax rate.
- The millage rates for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 represent \$29.36 per \$100,000 of taxable value in 15 of the District's 16 counties (*Okeechobee Basin*). In Collier County and mainland Monroe County (*Big Cypress Basin*), the tax rates represent \$24.40 per \$100,000 of taxable value.





## South Florida Water Management District Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget = \$813.9 million Where the money comes from



### Where the money goes

