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This fact sheet is provided as a reference to encourage a greater understanding of the various issues related to managing water in South Florida.

Big Cypress Basin *2015-2016 Budget Highlights*

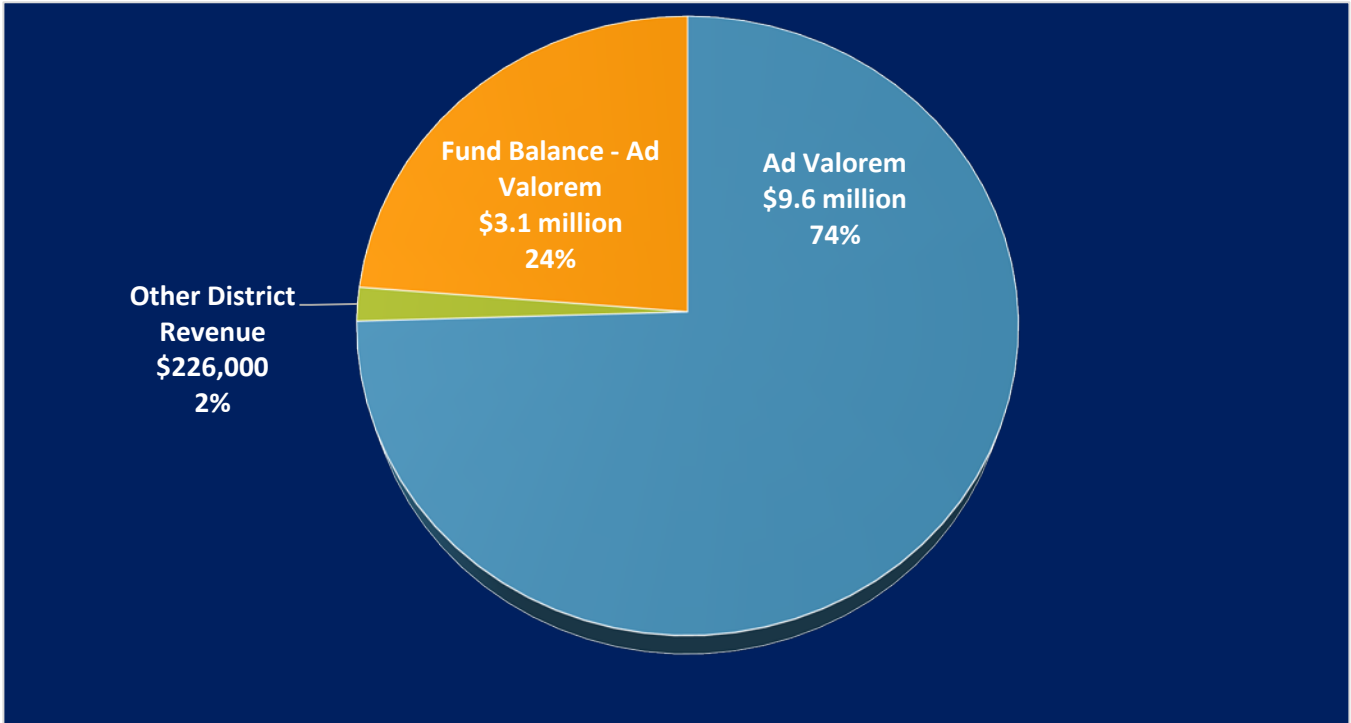
The South Florida Water Management District's 2015-2016 Big Cypress Basin budget of roughly \$12.9 million provides the District's critical missions of flood control, ensuring water supply and restoring natural areas for 153 miles of canals and 45 water control structures that encompass Collier and parts of Monroe counties. The budget contains a total of \$9.6 million in revenue from property. Nearly 39 percent of the Big Cypress Basin's 2015-2016 budget is dedicated to operations and maintenance and water supply.

Key Expenditures

- The 2016 budget supports continued initiatives within the local communities to improve water quality and flood control.
 - **\$1.9 million** for flood control operations that include tree management, canal, levee and structure maintenance relating to works of the Basin
 - **\$1.2 million** for continued treatment and removal of aquatic and terrestrial exotic species to improve performance of the flood control system
 - **\$2.8 million** to complete construction of new field station to provide better operational support to Collier County citizens
 - **\$450,000** to design replacement of Golden Gate Weir #4
 - **\$247,000** for the installation of new Stage Recorders and Rain Gauges to better track the Basin hydrology
 - **\$504,000** to continue groundwater and water quality monitoring efforts within Collier county and Lake Trafford Watershed monitoring and mapping
- The budget also includes \$2.4 million for local initiatives.
 - **\$937,000** for Collier County Lely Area Stormwater Improvement Plan (LASIP) project to increase the level of service for primary conveyance system and re-establish historic flowway
 - **\$680,000** for City of Naples Reclaimed Water Expansion project to increase reclaimed water by approximately 0.26 million gallons per day
 - **\$400,000** for City of Naples Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well #4 to offset traditional water sources by approximately one million gallons per day
 - **\$63,000** for City of Marco Island Drainage Improvements project to increase level of service for a primary conveyance system and resolve an existing flood problem



Where the money comes from



Where the money goes

