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33460	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	I believe that they currently meet the core mission of the District. That is reduction of flooding, improvement of water quality. These areas are crucial to the recharge of aquifers in South Florida. They also provide natural resource protection and habitat for many species. There are also public uses of these properties. They should be maintained in their current manner.	No.	No.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33460	East Coast Buffer	Strazzulla Wetlands	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Strazzulla Wetlands tract plays an essential role in buffering the Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge. It also is a significant natural resource. This area is being used for its ideal purpose. It has high habitat values for species. It is an important buffer to protecting our resources. The property needs to be maintained for its high conservation value.	The property could be transferred to Fish and Wildlife to be added to the Loxahatchee Refuge. It would be suitable habitat. This would support the mission of protecting water quality and wildlife protection.	The property could be added to the Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge and become additional land set aside for Natural Restoration and protection.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
32301	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain ALL of the Flow Equalization Basins. The FEB's are needed for water flow and pollution abatement. Moreover, the FEB's are essential to the ongoing effort to restore the Everglades' system. Without these lands, the many years of effort and money that have been expended to date would be put at risk.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
32301	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain the STA's. The District has done a good job in some of these areas in returning native flora and fauna and they provide needed cleansing of polluted waters. The District may consider surplusing STA 1W if it is not needed for ecosystem restoration.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
32301	Water Conservation Areas	All	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain all lands in the WCA's. These land must be protected and restored to have a chance to actually clean up water systems and restore adequate flow to Everglades National Park and Florida Bay.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,

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32301	C-139 Annex	All	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain all lands in the C-139 Annex. These lands are needed for the eventual restoration of the South Florida ecosystem.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
32301	East Coast Buffer	Chingos Parcels	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain all lands in the East Coast buffer with the possible exception of the approximately 95 acre Chingos parcels which does not seem to be needed for restoration. The East Coast buffer lands serve not only as an integral part of the restoration effort, but as a true buffer against the urban sprawl of Southeast Florida.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
32301	South Dade Wetlands	All	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain all lands in the South Miami-Dade Wetlands for water quality and quantity.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
32301	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Other	Other	On behalf of the 60,000 member/supporter Florida Wildlife Federation, which has many members who use the SFWMD lands and rely on them for water supply, wildlife and quality of life, we ask that you please retain all lands in the Unassociated Parcels, particularly L-8 and Frog Pond (rare pine rocklands). Even Bird Drive, with its ongoing management issues, can be retorted if trespass problems are taken care of. Once these tracts are sold, especially if they are alienated with no encumbering conservation or flowage easement, then that are gone forever.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas,
33130	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other				Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
01474	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				

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33050	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other Pure restoration and everything else will fall in place !				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33460	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				
33131	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking		Everglades advocates are needed to stand up for public conservation land. Over 434,000 acres are included in the latest group of South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) lands that are being assessed for retention, disposal, or alternate uses. Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Out of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, we believe that parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk. Please do not lease these lands out to Limestone quarries, disposal or other uses.		East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33160	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	It can be much better.	Yes.	Yes.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
98087	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Please protect the Everglades, a national treasure. Wildlife depends upon the Everglades for life, and that must be respected.	The Everglades should be left undeveloped. It is very important to the state of Florida and wildlife.	Please protect the Everglades, a national treasure. Wildlife depends upon the Everglades for life, and that must be respected.	Flow Equalization Basins,
60657-5753	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
34953	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				

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34953	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
10801	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking	not enough protection of wildlife from storm and flooding	prohibiting motor boats would better protect wildlife	no better use than flood protection and passive recreation	South Dade Wetlands,
33624	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33434	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				Flow Equalization Basins, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
34209-1721	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	We live in Bradenton, FL outside the area served by your organization. Sufficient, pure water, however, however, affects us all, and is even more vital for birds and other wildlife due to their greater daily mobility. We urge that you respect the needs of all wildlife, as well as, those of ordinary citizens and big businesses in all of your deliberations and decisions.			Water Conservation Areas,
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
34984	Water Conservation Areas	All	Other Protecting All Public Conservation Land	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Please just maintain the protection of all these area. Do not lease or sell them for commercial use.			Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, East Coast Buffer, Unassociated Parcels,
32751	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking				
33407	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other				
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Boating	We need to preserve all of the Everglades. The current use can be enhanced by limiting recreational vehicles and preserving the Everglades for the plants and the animals.	No Just protect nature.	We do not need more public use. The land must be preserved.	Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,

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94117	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
32205	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	nATURAL resource protection should be the main priority of the WMDs.	YES! Quit letting "developers" have sway to line the pockets of a few politicians, and protect Florida's natural beauty, aquifer and coastline. We don't need or want cattle ranches, let them stay out west where they do less harm.	YES! Promote tourism	Water Conservation Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
60447	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33139	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Growth Management and Land Use	Other	I am writing about lands that are being assessed for retention, disposal, or alternate uses. I think all lands should be retained and kept natural -- please do not sell off any land, nor allow it to be used or leased.			
10520	South Dade Wetlands	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				South Dade Wetlands,
94110	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33462	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other walking				
33418	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	These are some of the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Protect Everglades Conservation Land	Protect Everglades Conservation Land	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, Unassociated Parcels,
32304	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				

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34103	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	It is vital for a healthy ecosystem.	No	No	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
50315	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
32703	South Dade Wetlands	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
32570	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				
33478-6204	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Canoeing and Kayaking	No conservation lands should be declared surplus.	No conservation lands should be declared surplus.	No conservation lands should be declared surplus.	South Dade Wetlands,
94803	Water Conservation Areas	All	Other	Other				
33825	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
13212-5351	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33008	South Dade Wetlands	Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
34987	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	I think the Everglades Agricultural Area is being managed primarily for the benefit of sugar growers. I live in Port St Lucie, and think it is just outrageous that polluted water from Lake Okeechobee is being released into our river, instead of being allowed to flow south as Nature intended. And to add insult to injury, you even allowed backpumping of even more water from sugarlands into Lake O, and then on to release into our already damaged river. This has to stop! Our estuaries, marine life, and sea grass are dying -- all for Big Sugar's benefit. And further, Sugar is not even paying the cost for repairing its environmental damage.	Yes, it should be used to cleanse polluted water from Lake O - permanently, and prevent release of this water into our river.	No	Water Conservation Areas,

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33331	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	conservation land	The core mission is land conservation. Leave it alone.	As conservation land it is just that meant to protect endangered habitat. Leave it alone. Everything is always sold or leased to agriculture and lime rock mine companies for commercial exploitation. Stop destroying Nature.	
07005	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Other	Boating	Could do better.	sure, sounds good.	yes!	
33321-9128	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Yes, protection of resources is accomplished under the current system.			South Dade Wetlands,
92117	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	So far the district has managed to continue to protect areas vital to some species as well as balancing the excess of roads, malls, sprawl, and excessive humanity with natural areas that should be preserved for other species and future generations. We owe the future to give them more than pollution, wastelands, sprawl, etc.. This planet was amazing and it is those in the past that decided specific species or places had more value in gold than the intrinsic value to life on earth.	Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Out of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, we believe that parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk. Click to enlarge. Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami Please do not talk about effective, cost or otherwise, when determining how much of unspoiled earth we pass on to future generations.	Only if the increased conservation, put concerted effort into ridding areas of invasive species brought in by people hoping to make money despite the laws or residual effects. Flood districts are needed..even more so as climate change has shown. We also need to conserve and protect wetlands and wildlands and the other species that rely upon them to survive.	
34990	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33409	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	I understand that some areas of land currently owned by SFWMD are being assessed for potential sale. When will this madness stop? When every square inch of South Florida is so overdeveloped and overused that there is nothing left for the wildlife??? Please do NOT sell off any more land.			

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07036	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Florida Panther is currently present in these wetlands.	Habitat must be preserved to protect endangered wildlife like the Wood Stork, Florida Panther, and Everglade Snail Kite.	Habitat must be preserved to protect endangered wildlife like the Wood Stork, Florida Panther, and Everglade Snail Kite.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
46725	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Unassociated Parcels,
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
34610	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating	DESTRUCTION OF EVERYTHING ON EARTH NEEDS TO END. IF IT CONTINUES WE WON'T EVEN HAVE ANY RESOURCES LEFT. THIS PROJECT WILL DESTROY WILD LIFE WHO HAS MORE RIGHTS TO IT THAN YOU HAVE TO MAKE THE DECISION.	NATURAL HABITAT. LEAVE IT BE.	NATURAL HABITAT LEAVE IT BE	
33139	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				South Dade Wetlands,
33413-1860	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Attention in all of these areas is sorely lacking.	I have read that the Everglades is one seventh the size it was before any development. Leave the rest as it is and restore all that can be salvaged.	Natural resources must be the first priority if any of the uses -- a balanced ecosystem, water supply for most of South Florida in future years, recreation and many others can be sustained.	
33135	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	Not very well at all; it all seems very second-handed and almost half-assed.	I would say letting things stabilize without draining the place like parasitic leeches might help(more funding for conservation efforts, as well.)		Unassociated Parcels,
96822	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				
19135	Water Conservation Areas	All	Growth Management and Land Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Please do not damage water conservation areas and keep these in protection for panthers, birds and wildlife. water conservation areas are vital for their survival.	Please keep pollution and development out of the water conservation areas and enhance fish and wildlife habitat	many winter tourists like myself are ardent bird watchers so keeping Florida clean and healthy is vital for these. You can enhance the 5 mile route 41 road construction bridge to move fresh water movement to florida bay and keep salt water further south	Water Conservation Areas,
34997	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	surplus land should not be sold or given over to development	these lands need to remain for wildlife;AND remain undeveloped,this overall would help maintain a buffer between overdeveloped areas and conservation areas.It would also help improve water quality	better use would be to improve natural resources.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33133	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating		Water conservation for environmental restoration and ecosystem health.		Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,



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33759	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The chance of changing the status of some areas, particularly bird rookery areas, is wrong headed. The Everglades is a unique ecosystem that is delicately balanced. Man seems to be the only creature that makes a conscious effort to upset that balance			Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33967	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The district needs to increase their adherence to their mission of Flood Control, Water Quality protection/improvements, Water Supply, and Natural Resource protection and restoration. Mining and commercial uses of these areas endanger the quality of our water and other natural resources. Please do not give in to special interests!!! These areas are extremely important and once damaged they may be impossible to recover.	Collect data on activities and results of each part of your mission, and announce the availability of reports containing that data at least annually so the public can evaluate how well the district is doing in each area. This should include measures of chemicals in the environment, such as mercury, benzene, and many other toxic chemicals. University research may be included in the reports.	Science and environmental education. Invite colleges and universities from all over the world to come to this area to carry out environmental and biological research that are geared to protecting our resources. That does not include research on removal or exploitation of resources.	Flow Equalization Basins, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33809	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33324	East Coast Buffer	Chingos Parcels	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.		No! Protect this conservation land! Do not sell! Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge.	
34229	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				
33707	East Coast Buffer	Chingos Parcels	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Stop trying to destroy the Everglades.			
55106	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	not well	Try to think long-term. The quality of this area is a biological gem. Care for it!	Keep tighter regulations on public use of lands here.	South Dade Wetlands,
33004	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
06902	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				

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33304	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating	Current use is good. Do NOT sell off any property! All is worthy of protection. And restoration!	Nothing is more important than preservation & restoration in a world with dwindling natura Resources.	Not that I know of.	
33956	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33040	South Dade Wetlands	All	Other	Other	Needs improvement.	Conservation.	1. No fracking. 2. No building. 3. No polluting. "Bioaccumulation Definitions Bioaccumulation – "The biological sequestering of a substance at a higher concentration than that at which it occurs in the surrounding environment or medium." - U.S. Geological Survey, 2007 Bioaccumulation – "Bioaccumulation (or bioconcentration) is the uptake of organic compounds by biota from either water or food. Many toxic organic chemicals attain concentrations in biota several orders of magnitude greater than their aqueous concentrations, and therefore, bioaccumulation poses a serious threat to both the biota of surface waters and the humans that feed on these surface-water species." – Smith and others, 1988 Bioaccumulation – "General term describing a process by which chemicals are taken up by an organism either directly from exposure to a contaminated medium or by consumption of food containing the chemical." – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2010 Bioaccumulation – "Bioaccumulation is defined as the accumulation of chemicals in the tissue of organisms through any route, including respiration, ingestion, or direct contact with contaminated water, sediment, and pore water in the sediment." – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Bioaccumulation – "Progressive increase in the amount of a substance in an organism or part of an organism which occurs because the rate of intake exceeds the organism's ability to remove the substance from the body." – International Union of Pure And Applied Chemistry, 1993 Retrieved 6-22-13: <a href="http://toxics.usgs.gov/definitions/bioaccumulation.html">http://toxics.usgs.gov/definitions/bioaccumulation.html</a>	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
49768	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other				
-0000	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Water Quality	Camping				Stormwater Treatment Areas,

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32640	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging		I would like to see all of the lands preserved as wildlife habitat and watershed. Conservation & protection by the state is essential as development threatens the remaining natural populations and native species. Auctioning off precious acres to man-made enterprises makes no sense in the face of disappearing wetlands and habitat loss for our unique ecosystems.	Conservation & protection make the most sense. Public use of lands & waterways is less important (to me...) than keeping areas designated solely for native plants & animals. While I enjoy access to some of Florida's wilder places, I don't think access should endanger the natural environment, espec. if it means roads, trails, water control measures, etc.	South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33062-3828	East Coast Buffer	Broward County Water Preserves Area	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other				Stormwater Treatment Areas,
34711	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The concentration seems to be to do as little as possible toward a permanent and lasting restoration that would actually guarantee a lasting supply of clean water and natural habitat for wildlife. Every project seems to be given lip service, but funding is then restricted and wishes of developers take precedence over serious long term programs. It is always "this won't really hurt that much, the system can handle it" approach that so angers citizens hoping to raise generations of families in Florida.	First of all the District's core missions must not be compromised each time a grower or developer files for some sort of exemption to policy.	Allow scientific restoration and protection practices be followed and have them administered by naturalists and citizens whose goals are not detrimental to the preservation/restoration process.	Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33418	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	please protect the tracts in question for sell off. soon there will be no wild tracts of land left, only more golf courses and subdivisions. at some point, we have to make a tradeoff, and decide that we are going to protect what little wild areas are left for the future generations of people to enjoy, but also for the wildlife to have some chance to live in peace.			South Dade Wetlands,
33957	East Coast Buffer	Strazulla Wetlands	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Please proceed with the important work of restoring the Everglades.	Please proceed with the important work of restoring the Everglades.	Please proceed with the important work of restoring the Everglades.	East Coast Buffer,
33611	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Very well	No. Please continue to protect these important environmental and recreational lands, including the East Coast buffer and South Dade Wetlands.	No. Keep protecting these lands by maintaining them under SWFMD control.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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33957	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing		Please protect conservation lands. Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge.		
33445	South Dade Wetlands	Southern Glades	Threatened and Endangered Species	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
34476	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				
33921	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
32301	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Canoeing and Kayaking	The East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk.ome lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.			East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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32043-3443	Unassociated Parcels	SR 827 parcel	Other	Other	It is essential to the District's core mission.	NO!	NO! The proposed sell-off of parcel 827 is nothing but a greedy corporate grab of land that has been set aside for PRESERVATION. As a seasonal volunteer at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge since 2009, I've had the opportunity to see firsthand the benefits of leaving the land in question as is, for the benefit of wildlife and the public (through annual guided tours.) The selfish, voracious desires of the rich DO NOT NEED TO BE SATISFIED in this case. Or ANY case, for that matter. The relentless, mindless purpose of corporate interests to desecrate the earth at any cost MUST BE STOPPED!!!! ENOUGH ALREADY!!!!!!!!!!!!	Water Conservation Areas,
19067	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
34293	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Stormwater Treatment Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
33705	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating	I believe the land referenced above in which I am interested is considered surplus land that SFWMD wants to dispose of, located on the eastern side of the state. My personal opinion is that land that has been contemplated for water conservation, by virtue of having been at one time considered for this purpose, must be quite wet and not good for building purposes. It follows that this land should be purchased, donated or returned to the public domain. In the event that it borders public conservation land, it should be annexed to such land and kept in conservation in perpetuity.	It would be best left undeveloped; however, it could be used for recreation if suitable.	If it is true wetland with inches of water sitting on it during rainy seasons, it would benefit the public by becoming fishing or canoeing waterways. Trails could be marked through it. This way it serves both man and the environment.	Water Conservation Areas,
	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Absolutely none, other than it is currently for the animals and their homes to survive in the everglades.	The property needs to remain as part of the habitat for animals within the everglades. No other purpose of this land should be thought about.	None, other than what is currently is used for the animals and their homes for survival in the everglades.	
60564	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Absolutely none, other than it is currently for the animals and their homes to survive in the everglades.	The property needs to remain as part of the habitat for animals within the everglades. No other purpose of this land should be thought about.	None, other than what is currently is used for the animals and their homes for survival in the everglades.	
-3302	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Growth Management and Land Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas,
33762	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				South Dade Wetlands,

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32084-3068	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The wildlife in the Everglades depend on large tracts of land that remain in close to pristine condition for their success. It would be a mistake to think that the restoration of the Everglades can be limited to the National Park areas as the surrounding lands allow the more scenic areas to continue to have abundant wildlife. This wildlife attracts tourists and Floridians and their development would be short sighted and endanger the long term viability of the Everglades.	The most valuable use of this land is to allow it to continue to support the Everglades viability.	No.	East Coast Buffer,
32084-3068	South Dade Wetlands	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Boating	The wildlife in the Everglades depend on large tracts of land that remain in close to pristine condition for their success. It would be a mistake to think that the restoration of the Everglades can be limited to the National Park areas as the surrounding lands allow the more scenic areas to continue to have abundant wildlife. This wildlife attracts tourists and Floridians and their development would be short sighted and endanger the long term viability of the Everglades.	No. Development of this land would further endanger the wildlife that draws tourists and Floridians to the Everglades.	No.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
72632	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Some areas, even though there are exotic as well as native species, provide habitat that are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Some areas, even though there are exotic as well as native species, provide habitat that are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Some areas, even though there are exotic as well as native species, provide habitat that are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	
34117	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				South Dade Wetlands,
33069	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk.	Please do NOT change the status on these vulnerable tracts.	maintain them... they are important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Water Conservation Areas,
80027	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other				
48236	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33410	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking				Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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34202	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging			it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County. I am weighing on this very important issued in the Everglades. I am very interested because I feel that these evaluations may be declared surplus and sold, or perhaps leased to agriculture and lime rock mine companies for commercial exploitation. This needs to be left natural for the enjoyment of hikers and wildlife. Thank you for your attention to this matter.	Water Conservation Areas,
32084	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	If it is preserved, then good.	Keep it natural.	Save the ecosystems	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33062	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
14472	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Natural resource protection and restoration is primary concern	More attention to conservation and natural resource and wildlife restoration	No	Water Conservation Areas,
33603	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Other	Other				South Dade Wetlands,
60046	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
32179	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatche Mitigation Bank	Recreation and Public Use	Boating	All of these lands have been bought or gifted to protect our water and habitat of many birds and other animals. All of them need to be retained.	no	no	

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33460	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Water Conservation Areas are a significant part of the protection of the Everglades Ecosystem and provide aquifer recharge and protection to South Florida. I consider this a significant part of protecting Florida's environment a particularly important to the core missions of Flood Control, Water Quality, Water Supply and Natural Resource Protection. Water Conservation Areas provide the essential tool for holding water in the state during storms. They are ideal for Natural Resource Protection. Wildlife is common in these areas. They also provide recreational opportunities. Many users visit and enjoy these areas. Water Conservation Areas are important in providing aquifer recharge as water is permitted to stand on these areas after storm events. If these areas were not set aside there would be greater risk of flooding during major storms. I recommend that these areas be kept in public ownership and that they remain as natural areas where wildlife may exist. Many wading birds live in these areas as do deer, panther, alligators and other wild animals. These areas may become even more important as we move forward with CERP. The CERP process will help to de-compartmentalize many of these areas to improve freshwater flows South to Everglades National Park, Biscayne Bay and other estuaries that need fresh water flows during dry periods. Without these areas the restoration of the Florida Everglades would not be possible.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
34996	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Our water quality stinks . we need to save more wetlands for water quality and stop paying off politicians to stink our water up.	Yes save our land. Love birds , wildlife boating swimming fishing etc Our water stinks and is getting worse. Get the morons out of gov.Let	Yes save what is left and buy more. Developers need to save a lot of land and clean up our water. Disgusting what is happening . We are all being poisoned. Hate Ohio.	



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33460	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Stormwater Treatment Areas are an important part of the Everglades Restoration Process. These Stormwater Treatment Areas provide wildlife habitat, hold and treat stormwater and are an important part of the Everglades Restoration Plan. We believe that the loss of these treatment areas would set back Everglades Restoration and would cause the SFWMD to violate consent decrees that it has signed agreeing to bring water phosphorous levels down to ten parts per billion before it enters Everglades National Park. The Stormwater treatment areas have greatly improved water quality in the Everglades Ecosystem. Stormwater Treatment Areas provide opportunities for wildlife viewing such as bird watching. There are many recreational visitors in these areas. Preservation and maintenance of these areas greatly protects the environment.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
34134	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking	We don't have any "surplus land. All that's left needs to be managed or at least saved for wildlife.	It all needs protection.	No.	
90068	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				
33477-5947	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging				
33029	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
34610	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	I am writing today to urge you to preserve the public conservation lands in the state. Some of the lands (especially East Coast Buffer area and South Miami-Dade Wetlands area) include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species, and I ask that you continue to protect and keep these special areas so our wildlife may thrive. Thanks for your time and consideration.			Water Conservation Areas,
32656	C-139 Annex	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				C-139 Annex, South Dade Wetlands,

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33161-3927	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				South Dade Wetlands,
33777	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Stormwater Treatment Areas, East Coast Buffer,
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Pristine retention, or intervention to reduce non-native invasions by plants and animals (e.g., pythons) is urged. This is the present mandate.	No. Especially not commercial uses or mining.	No. These lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Out of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, we believe that parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk of sell-off, mineral rights selling, or commercial uses. Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	
33840	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Canoeing and Kayaking				Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas,
33064-9006	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other Native plant assessment	The current use of the property does not secure the property so that it can be protected and restored now or in the future as a piece of the Everglades flow puzzle.	If the goal is water flow equalization, then the property needs no human development other than restoring and protecting it as a natural part of the Everglades.	See above.	

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32008	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Out of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, we believe that parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer, and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk. Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Leave the lands and waters alone. The past has proven that any adjustments as in dredging, canals etc has proven to be disastrous for the water flow and plant and animal life.		Water Conservation Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
92107	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				
34432	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Cost savings / Management Efficiency	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing		As a general principle, properties that are essential habitat for wildlife and rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations should not be disposed of. I also support properties useful for public recreation -- paddling, fishing and mountain biking.		Flow Equalization Basins, Water Conservation Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
33460	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Flow Equalization Basins are established to improve water quality. Flow Equalization Basins will also protect the environment as well as providing flood protection by holding flood water during storms. These lands are an important part of the the Environmental Protection by providing adequate flows to Storm Treatment Areas. Storm Treatment Areas need water at all times. They must not be too deep or too dry. Flow Equalization Basins provide this proper level of water. We need to retain these water levels. This land meets the the core needs of the SFWMD.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
34119	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Adequate but could always improve.	Anything that steps up the protection of the glades & it's threatened wildlife.	Too much human interference already. Should be kept for the flow of wildlife improvement & posterity!!!	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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48439	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	The entire Everglades needs to be protected including water conservation areas, storm water treatment areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Some of the lands that are being considered for retention, disposal, or alternative use are essential habitats for the Florida panther, Everglades Snail Kite, Woodstork, and other endangered species.	All the land that I discussed in the previous comment need to be for conservation only. Not agriculture or lime rock mine companies.	Please just protect the Everglades and Florida's natural heritage.	
55414	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
10993-1302	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33446	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	With proper surveillance and control the mission will be accomplished.	Leave it to nature to control.	Only by not allowing any sort of contaminates destroy the eco system.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33614	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. Of all of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk. Please maintain current use of these properties in order to protect them further and thereby adhere to the District's core mission.			Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas,
33176	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				South Dade Wetlands,

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34773	East Coast Buffer	Strazulla Wetlands	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	I am an Everglades advocate, asking you to stand up for public conservation land. Over 434,000 acres are included in the latest group of South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) lands that are being assessed for retention, disposal, or alternate uses. Some of the lands include the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. The assessment includes lands in the Water Conservation Areas, Stormwater Treatment Areas, tracts along Biscayne Bay, and parcels adjacent to the Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge.	Out of the areas of land listed in this evaluation, we believe that parcels in the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands) are the most vulnerable to being proposed for surplus. Tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay also appear to be at risk.	Some lands actually rank high in GIS science-based ecological evaluations are described in the evaluation by district staff with an over-emphasis on invasive exotic plants. While exotics do exist on many if not most tracts in South Florida, and are a nearly universal management problem, it is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	
34207	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other	This land includes some of the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. Since Floridians cannot depend on politicians in Tallahassee to protect wetlands, clean water, wildlife, and the environment from developers, industry, and agriculture, I beg South Florida Water Management District to protect the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands), and tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay.	This land includes some of the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. Since Floridians cannot depend on politicians in Tallahassee to protect wetlands, clean water, wildlife, and the environment from developers, industry, and agriculture, I beg South Florida Water Management District to protect the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands), and tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay.	This land includes some of the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including wading bird rookeries and feeding areas, habitat for the Florida panther, Everglade Snail Kite, Wood Stork, and other endangered species. Since Floridians cannot depend on politicians in Tallahassee to protect wetlands, clean water, wildlife, and the environment from developers, industry, and agriculture, I beg South Florida Water Management District to protect the East Coast Buffer area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 06) East Coast Buffer), and the South Miami-Dade Wetlands area (Everglades Land Assessment Region: 07) South Miami-Dade Wetlands), and tracts associated with the "Strazulla Wetlands" and others near the Loxahatchee Refuge and Biscayne Bay.	
15120	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
34239	South Dade Wetlands	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	In order to save time, I will simply write that my opinion reflects in entirety the Florida Audubon Society, thank you.	In order to save time, I will simply write that my opinion reflects in entirety the Florida Audubon Society, thank you.	In order to save time, I will simply write that my opinion reflects in entirety the Florida Audubon Society, thank you.	
33301-3738	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Currently, the properties are undeveloped. Therefore, they are not a source of contamination of current water supply and they are not drawing on that very same limited water supply. Wildlife use these lands. By selling them off to developers of any kind you would not be protecting what little natural resources we have left.	Keep the property as it is. Let it stay undeveloped. We don't need agriculture or rock mining in these areas.	Keep the property as it is. Let it stay undeveloped. We don't need agriculture or rock mining in these areas.	Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex,

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33414	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Current use is fine	NO...keep as is so birds and animals have undeveloped habitat...don't sell their homes, please	No better use...leave wild areas for wild creatures	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
53403	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other concern	Protect Everglades Conservation Land. Thank you.	Protect Everglades Conservation Land. Thank you.	Protect Everglades Conservation Land. Thank you.	
33141	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other			Over 434,000 acres included in SFWMD lands being assessed for retention or alternate uses are some of the most vital wildlife habitats in the Everglades, including home for the Florida panther and other endangered species. Parcels like the East Coast Buffer area and South Miami-Dade Wetlands are important sites for panther, wood storks and other wading birds. These are important ecological sites, and should not be declared surplus and sold or leased for commercial exploration.	Unassociated Parcels,
24946	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	so-so on the habitat protection for species that are struggling	yes. It should be geared toward wildlife enhancement	Preservation and restoration to a healthy balanced natural state.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33498-4605	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Please do all things necessary to keep the Everglades Ecosystem intact. FL Wildlife needs the habitat to survive in the 21st Century.		Wildlife Habitat	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
24018	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	We MUST save wildlife and wild areas for future generations! Please allow the wild areas to remain as untouched as possible.			Unassociated Parcels,
32606	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Retention of parcels is critical for water quality, flood control, and natural resource protection and restoration.	No. Please retain all parcels for wildlife, water conservation planning into the future.	No. Please retain all parcels.	Water Conservation Areas,
33460	East Coast Buffer	Palm Beach County Ag. Reserve Reservoir	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	Currently this property is separated into three uses. One is a pepper farm, one is a county park, and one is an equestrian training facility. The county park is providing recreational use and habitat for wildlife. The pepper farm is a low impact use that is providing a buffer to the Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge as is the Equestrian Training Facility. We would not want to see these areas changed to high impact uses that would impact the Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge. The current uses do not have night time light pollution or loud night time noises.	The entire area could be used as a park as the county is currently using it. It could also be flooded to provide water retention and buffering for the Refuge. Its current use is acceptable, but development in this area would negatively impact the Refuge.	The area could be enhanced as a county park.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33460	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	This is an established mitigation bank and as such should be kept as a Mitigation Bank. Mitigation Banks are established to compensate for the loss of viable wetlands and environmentally sensitive properties. They are established to be permanent land banks protecting wildlife habitat. They should not be available for sale.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,

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85016	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
16507	East Coast Buffer	Strazulla Wetlands	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other			Please do everything you can to get the invasive species out while preserving the wildlife and their ecology. We have the same problem up here in Erie, PA.	
91362	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating		The Everglades area is quickly disappearing. Urban development and agriculture are causing the disappearance of and the polluting of the area. This area is a valuable resource for the water cycle in the area and an essential resource for the local wildlife. Let's not ruins any more of this treasure.		
33579-6852	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Boating	It is clear that some areas with a mixture of exotic plants and native habitat are nonetheless important sites for species such as the Florida Panther, Wood Storks, and other wading birds. Radio tracking studies have shown panther using some of these areas in South Miami-Dade County.	Please protect our water supply, water quality and endangered species of the area!		Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
34285	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The property is now protects our water quality	NO, the property needs to be kept to protect our water supply now and in the future	property could be used for research and educational programs, on saving land to protect our water supply.	Water Conservation Areas,
33411	East Coast Buffer	Chingos Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing		Yes, nonnative vegetation should be removed from the property and an ongoing nonnative vegetation control program should be implemented.	Palm Beach County's (County) Department of Environmental Resources Management requests that the South Florida Water Management District (District) consider conveying title to the Chingos parcels to the County. The Chingos parcels are disjunct from the larger Strazulla Wetlands property which would make management of these two smaller parcels difficult for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Chingos parcels adjoin a larger County-owned parcel and could be managed concurrent with that property. In exchange for the proposed conveyance, the County would grant a conservation easement to the District over the subject parcels.	East Coast Buffer,

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33021	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The land is needed as a buffer to development and is refuge to wildlife in a county where development has wiped away over 50% of the natural environment. That is the case for all the land held regardless of the location or condition. Not enough is spent of preserving land in Florida, so the use is the best. Aside from the everglades, over the past 5 years very little has been spent on land aquisition statewide. This is the time to be buying land, not disposing. The natural pinelands are being clear cut and often not one tree is left. Wetlands are equally in trouble.	Any land held should remain in public domain, either with the state, county, or city if disposal is needed. We should not be selling this land for agri or home development. Florida continues to grow and these lands will be precious public holdings in the decades to come. The state needs to think 50 and 100 years from now, not next year. What ever monetary gain garnered will be minor relative to the long term natural benefit gained.	Preservation and passive use in the end is the best use.	South Dade Wetlands,
33139	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatche Mitigation Bank	Growth Management and Land Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The problem isn't whether the currently owned lands can be put to a better use. The problem is that there is not enough protected land.	Leaving it/restoring it to a natural state is the best use.	The expansion of development into these now protected lands must be curtailed. The best use of these lands is to be left/maintained in a natural state.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33186	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Not as much as it should. There should be a large initiavtive to conserve and protect and restore the few bits of natural systems that we have left. Nature has a system designed for wildlife, biodiversity, and resources that help us survive daily. Without proper budgeting and awareness and action on these issues, things will quickly fall apart.	I am not articulate in those matters, but speaking with several (non-profit) organizations about the proper way to go about protection and restoring is appropriate. Businesses will not have the Earth in mind as much as they should.	YES!! Restoration, education, expanding the natural areas that sustain life etc.	Water Conservation Areas, Unassociated Parcels,
33185	East Coast Buffer	Bird Drive Basin	Natural Systems Restoration	Fishing	Currently the property use is feeble at best in meeting your core mission.	Yes, the acquisition of the other fragmented tracks and then the restoration of the whole area to its natural state would go a long way to enhancing water Flood Control, Water Quality protection/improvements, Water Supply, Natural Resource protection and restoration. In addition, this will also assist in holding the Urban Development Boundary in place which is critical in stopping the encroachment of development to the Everglades.		Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Fishing	selling properties endanger the everglades.	selling properties endanger the everglades.	selling properties endanger the everglades.	Water Conservation Areas,
19904	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Protect Everglades Conservation Land	Protect Everglades Conservation Land	Protect Everglades Conservation Land	South Dade Wetlands,
13027	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				Water Conservation Areas,



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33133	East Coast Buffer	Strazulla Wetlands	Growth Management and Land Use	Other flora and fauna preservation	Water quality protection, water supply, and Natural Resource protection and restoration are best served by keeping "development" away from all currently virgin and/or unexploited land in the SFWMD. There would be no need for restoration today were it not for the myopic greed of unscrupulous agents wreaking a horrible devastation upon the land and all Nature to serve their nefarious needs for money above all else.			South Dade Wetlands,
33441	Water Conservation Areas	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing				East Coast Buffer, Unassociated Parcels,
34117	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bicycling				Water Conservation Areas,
33186	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	Current efforts are appreciated but insufficient.	There is such a long history of the destruction of our natural environment that any curtailment or diminishing of conservation and restoration projects and lands of the Everglades is unacceptable. With an exploding population, there is no better use for the property than as open land and Everglades restoration. To counter-balance urban growth, conservation is even more critical for the future. Advancing the cause for restoration of our water supply will also nurture and restore lost wildlife which attracts tourism which provides a healthier economy.	Same as above.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
73601	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other			Have endangered/threatened species, vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should retain it. Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future. Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse	
73601	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other			Have endangered/threatened species, Vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should Retain it. Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future. Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse	

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73601	Water Conservation Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	Have endangered/threatened species, Vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should Retain it. Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future! Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse			
73601	C-139 Annex	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	Have endangered/threatened species, Vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should Retain it. Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future! Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse			
73601	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatche Mitigation Bank	Recreation and Public Use	Other	And Strazulla Wetlands!! Have endangered/threatened species, Vital to Everglades restoration- District should Retain them! Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future! Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse			
73601	South Dade Wetlands	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	Have endangered/threatened species- Vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should Retain them! Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future! Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse			
73601	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Recreation and Public Use	Other	re ALL areas! Have endangered/threatened species- Vital to Everglades Restoration & the District should Retain them! Do your job- Protect Our Public lands, waters, wildlife, health & future! Your attention to this most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species. Thank you Lydia Garvey Public Health Nurse			

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34231	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	I believe by allow this land to stay in its' natural state, we can continue to utilize it for recreation. Didn't we learn enough about development and weather during Hurricane Andrew? Don't allow South Florida to become a wasteland from an ecological jewel.	No.	I believe we still need land and water which humans won't ruin. Property which allows the natural life to shine through. Where are the panthers and the birds going? How many species will die off if the land is allowed to be used?	South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33156	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Saving the Everglades should be the number one priority of the SFWMD. If people need more water, start reducing the amount they are allowed to waste.	No	No	
32725	East Coast Buffer	Strazulla Wetlands	Recreation and Public Use	Boating	Perfectly.	The highest and best use is as conservation land.	This land was sold to South Florida Water Management District as a buffer from farming and residential areas protecting the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. That need has not changed and neither should the property's conservation use. It is not surplus nor unimportant. Its function is as important now as when purchased.	East Coast Buffer,
33458-2850	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Generally OK but could be improved	need to preserve all even semi-natural areas as buffers to natural areas such as WCA 1 Loxahatchee Refuge. For the Refuge the Strazulla Marsh is especially important. It should be managed by the Refuge staff.	No	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33143	South Dade Wetlands	Southern Glades	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	In my opinion, the Southern Glades is very important to the District's core missions, particularly Water Quality protection and Natural Resource protection and restoration. The area is a buffer protecting the Everglades National Park from surrounding development and agriculture. Highly endangered species such as the Florida panther have been seen using this area. Many people birdwatch here - the Tropical Audubon Society regularly has walks in the "Frog Pond" and nearby areas. I have biked and hiked in the Southern Glades, many people boat and fish here. It's also fascinating to view the old Aerojet buildings.	I understand it's an arduous and costly job to remove all the exotic vegetation, but when more of the area is restored to its natural plant communities, it will greatly benefit native species such as the Cape Sable seaside sparrow. I don't know if this is true, but there are rumors that the Aerojet facilities may have left contaminants behind. It's crucial to the District's mission of maintaining water quality to remove any serious contaminants, if there are in fact any there in the soil or water.	No, please keep it wild! There are many lovely boat docks and roads in the area, that's plenty. The most important thing is to give our wildlife and natural areas some breathing room so to speak.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33031	South Dade Wetlands	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	In my opinion they need more land to adequately make improvements to our water supply.	No. We need to protect our water quality and habitat for plants and animals (humans included). We have many state listed plants and animals in South Florida and throughout the state. We need to take conservation seriously - no time like the present to try to save some habitat.	No. We don't need to live on every square inch of land! Quiet, natural lands are far better for our emotional well being than a busy city. The urban sprawl is getting out of control. Don't sell our land to developers!	Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,

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33137	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Reasonably well.	Preservation and protection without any offensive, destructive, or debilitating incursions or uses.	Protection an preservation of natural areas and the thoughtful, ecologically-responsive management of water resources must be paramount in any future management and use.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33128	East Coast Buffer	Bird Drive Basin	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department is submitting comments via hard copy mailed to Interim Executive Director, Ernie Barnett; as well as emailed to Ray Palmer (rpalmer@sfwmd.gov).	The Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department (the Department) is interested in partnering with the District on recreational use of lands within the Everglades Assessment Region, specifically within the East Coast Buffer and South Dade Wetlands, in compliment to the Department's Western Greenway initiative. The Western Greenway is envisioned as a connected system of greenway trails, destinations of interest and recreational lands along Miami-Dade County's western edge. The Western Greenway compliments the District's CERP Master Recreation Plan (MRP) and promotes the District's core missions.		East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	It is important to keep that parcel of land in its natural state so that the numerous plants and vegetation can remain home to birds and other wildlife. In addition, maintaining its natural state will help protect nearby homeowners from hurricane and storm surge damage saving millions of dollars and preserving our quality of life.	No, it should remain undeveloped to help preserve our natural environment which is important for our physical, emotional and mental health.	No, it should remain undeveloped and natural for the reasons stated previously.	South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands	Natural Systems Restoration	Other Viewing	Currently the area is maintaining it's natural condition.	No, it must stay it's natural condition.	No	Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,

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33157-3863	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	It is important to the improvement of water flow/quality in this region.	None that I'm aware of.	No.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The District should do it's best to keep water flowing and restore where possible the water flow of the past. Somehow we also did to keep from making the UDB smaller.	No.	No.	Flow Equalization Basins, South Dade Wetlands,
33445	East Coast Buffer	Strazzulla Wetlands	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Strazzulla Wetlands are in the process of being transferred as part of a land swap to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to become part of the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. This land is considered more pristine and undisturbed than any of the other areas east of the L-40 Canal that are currently part of the Refuge. These wetlands appear on the map that visitors to the Refuge receive; Refuge staff have long wanted to acquire these lands. Volunteers who take weekly bird counts along the L-40 Levee report that the Strazzulla Wetlands are the only place along the levee where they consistently spot a number of kestrels, a bird in serious decline. The area is also contains the greatest concentration of loggerhead shrikes, a bird that appeared on Audubon's top 10 list of formerly common birds now in decline. This property would be best managed as part of the Refuge.		Yes, transfer to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for inclusion in the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,

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33445	East Coast Buffer	Chingos Parcels	Flood Control	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Chingos Parcels are part of a larger area that serve as an important buffer to the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Many of the same birds that forage and nest in the Refuge also forage and nest in this area. I am very concerned about the impacts of development in this area, both because of its importance to birds and other wildlife, and because of the flood control measures that would be necessary to support development, to the detriment of wildlife. I would prefer to see no development along the L-40 Levee so as to avoid concerns of seepage from the levee and so that the land could be used for water storage, as needed. Since these parcels are surrounded by county-owned land it might seem logical to transfer them to the county, but the county's track record in preserving land in the Agricultural Reserve is not good, and conservation easements supposedly held in perpetuity seem to be able to be transferred to other properties of lesser value with a simple majority vote of the county commission.	If the surrounding areas currently held by the county could be acquired by the District, these properties could be used for water storage and flood control. If part of a larger area, then it would make sense to try to remove the Brazilian pepper and other exotics.	If the county were to acquire these parcels I would hope they would use the land for a passive park or other low-intensity use that would provide public recreation opportunities. If that were the case I would want to see conservation easements on the land but, as stated earlier, the county has been able to remove conservation easements from properties quite easily.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33445	East Coast Buffer	Palm Beach County Ag. Reserve Reservoir	Flood Control	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Palm Beach County Ag Reserve Reservoir is within the acquisition boundary of the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. This property serves as important buffer between the Refuge and the development east of U.S. 441. Keeping this property undeveloped allows water levels in the Refuge to remain higher without fear of seepage through the L-40 Levee and without the flood controls that would have to be put in place if homes were to be developed in the area. The current low-intensity use of the land as a county park, equestrian facility and pepper farm is preferable to the high-intensity development that is likely to follow if the District were to sell the land. Presumably the current leases also generate money for the District.	The land could conceivably be used for water storage.	Optimally I would like to see the Refuge acquire this land when and if funds for acquisition become available.	
33445	East Coast Buffer	Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank serves as an important buffer to the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. Many of the same birds that forage and nest in the Refuge also forage and nest in this area. Restoring these wetlands supports birds and other wildlife and replenishes the aquifer, allowing water levels to remain higher in the Refuge without fear of seepage and flooding in developed areas.	No, I believe the current use of this property as a mitigation bank is the highest and best use of the land.	This land should certainly be considered for inclusion in the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge if that were to become possible at some future point in time.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				

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33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33445	East Coast Buffer	Broward County Water Preserves Area	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Broward County Water Preserve Areas serve as an important buffer to the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge. The impoundments capture and store water during dry times that would otherwise be lost to tide and prevent damaging releases of polluted water during rain events. The impoundments filter the water and slowly replenish the aquifer, allowing water levels to remain higher in the Refuge.	No, I believe the current use of this property is the best use of the land.		Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Other	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33445	Water Conservation Areas	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	All of the Water Conservation Areas are vital to the water supply of South Florida. All of them also serve as important wildlife habitat for threatened and endangered birds and other species. In particular, the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge is home to a large number of species and provides recreational opportunities including boating, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, etc.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33445	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Water Quality	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Stormwater Treatment Areas are extremely important in filtering the nutrient-rich water coming off the farm fields before allowing it to enter the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge and the other Water Conservation Areas.	No.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33133	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Canoeing and Kayaking				Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD currently owns, such as the 184th parcels, to begin work on Phase 2 of the BBCW rather than waiting for phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,

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33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects. I strongly, suggest that, rather than wait until Phase 1 of this project is completed, you begin Phase 2. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project.	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects. I strongly, suggest that, rather than wait until Phase 1 of this project is completed, you begin Phase 2. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project.	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Threatened and Endangered Species	Boating	I have lived in south Florida for the past 36 years I have watched countless properties turned into housing and commercial properties the animals and restoration projects have such a great importance in this heavy populated area. We see very rear birds and animals that help keep our ecosystems strong. The future of our area is in your hands and hopefully your understanding of standing up to do the right thing. If you ever want to know where your going just look back from where you came. Thank you for your time.			South Dade Wetlands,



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33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Canoeing and Kayaking	This property, as I and the homeowners of Old Cutler Glen (a 100-home community adjacent to the project area) understand it, is critical to meeting the goals of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP). The Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands (BBCW) Project is a key component of CERP, with the project goals of improving the ecology of Biscayne Bay, including the adjacent freshwater wetlands, tidal creeks and near-shore habitat. This will be accomplished by improving the quantity, quality, timing and distribution of freshwater entering the bay and Biscayne National Park. As Vice-President of the neighboring Old Cutler Glen Homeowners' Association, representing 100 property owner directly across Old Cutler Road from the project site, we strongly encourage the District to begin moving forward to implement the BBCW restoration goals on lands that they already own now, such as the 184th Street properties (Phase 2), rather than waiting for all of the elements of Phase 1 to be completed.	I and the homeowners of Old Cutler Glen believe this is the District's intended purpose for acquiring the properties several years ago is the best and most important purpose for the property. Restoring natural water flows and other natural ecological conditions (e.g., removal of invasive exotic species) is 100% consistent with the SFWMD's core mission.	I and the homeowners of Old Cutler Glen do not think there is a better public use than the SFWMD's stated purpose for acquiring these lands. However, we urge the SFWMD to work cooperatively with local (town of Cutler Bay, Miami-Dade County), state (FDEP, FFWCC), and federal agencies (National Park Service/Biscayne National Park) as well as the neighboring land owner that owns the 9-acre parcel fronting Old Cutler Road, to include compatible public recreation and environmental education uses. This would increase public support and interest in nearby communities for the BBCW project while also providing much-needed public open space and outdoor areas that improve the region's quality of life.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33157-8055	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	THIS PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED SPECIFICALLY FOR THE BISCAYNE BAY COASTAL WETLANDS PROJECT AND IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE SFWMD MISSION TO PROTECT AND RESTORE NATURAL HABITAT. IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE INTEREST OF SFWMD OR THE PUBLIC TO DISPOSE OF THIS PROPERTY OR ANY PART OF THE LANDS IN THE FOOTPRINT OF CERP RESTORATION PROJECTS.	THE LAND HAS BEEN PURCHASED. IT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THIS COMMUNITY AND SOUTH FLORIDA FOR THE SFWMD TO RETAIN THE EXISTING PROPERTY AND BEGIN PHASE 2 OF THE BBCW PROJECT. THERE SHOULD BE NO FURTHER DELAYS TO PHASE 2. THERE IS NO BETTER USE FOR THIS PROPERTY.	THE BEST WAY TO MOVE FORWARD IS TO PROTECT THIS NATURAL HABITAT BY MEETING THE GOALS OF THE SFWMD AND THE COMMUNITY BY IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE 2 OF THE BBCW PROJECT.	South Dade Wetlands,
33189	South Dade Wetlands	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,
33189	South Dade Wetlands	All	Recreation and Public Use	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,

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33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be <input type="checkbox"/> in the public interest for the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given <input type="checkbox"/> that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary. <del>(b) (6);(b) (7)(C)</del>	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community. <input type="checkbox"/>	South Dade Wetlands,
33157-8640	South Dade Wetlands	All	Growth Management and Land Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	We need these fresh water areas to combat the coming sea rise and salt water intrusion.			South Dade Wetlands,
33189-2346	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	I strongly encourage SFWMD to continue moving forward with phase 2 of this project. Selling this land would not be in our community's best interest, and would be detrimental to the goal of protecting the Everglades and our coastal wetlands.	Several years ago, area residents fought to protect wetlands on property at Old Cutler Road and 184th Street. As the only nearby piece of undeveloped land along the coast, this property is an important component in the South Florida Management District's project to restore and protect our coastal wetlands. The property was eventually purchased by SFWMD and phase 1 of the project began.	No, there is no better use for this property than staying protected in the hands of SFWMD. If funds are not available now, phase 2 can be delayed. If it is sold, it is no longer available for phase 2 and may no longer be protected as a wetland !	
78605	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Threatened and Endangered Species	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,
33176	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Boating	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	I think we need to protect what vacant land we have by the water. We fought for this before and the government always seem to find a way to go back on what we wanted and "sell" off land that should be kept as natural as it can be kept. We don't need more concrete jungles. The land by water should always be protected for the good of our community and for animals and other living things. Why ruin it for all.	No, leave it natural and let nature do it's thing. Why waste a good thing.	Just leave it in it's natural state.	South Dade Wetlands,
33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This property was purchased for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Project and is very important to the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It is not in the interest of the citizens nor the SFWMD's interest to dispose of this property Or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	In my opinion, there is no better use for this property. For SFWMD to keep this property and begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project would be in the best interest of the community. Further delays to Phase 2 are not advised, lets continue with the plan,after all we have already purchased the land.	Again, in my opinion, THERE IS NO BETTER WAY TO USE THIS PROPERTY. Moving forward as planned to protect the natural habitat and supporting the goals of the SFWMD are the best course of action.	South Dade Wetlands,

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33177	South Dade Wetlands	Southern Glades	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	These areas are important habitats for threatened species. They're also important recreation areas for naturalist and other outdoor activities. The stewardship of these lands by SFWMD has allowed them to remain undeveloped and this is how they should remain. These are critical habitats that should not be sold to private entities that would develop them and severely impact these natural areas.	No, I think the areas should remain as they are at present.	A study needs to be undertaken before determining other uses.	Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This parcel of land is crucial to this area's water flow restoration. The sale if this parcel and its development, would be harmful and would go against the mission!	No, absolutely not	No.	South Dade Wetlands,
33032	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other			I strongly urge that the SFWMD not sell off any of the lands in the footprint of CERP restoration projects of the South Dade Wetlands (BBCW), to include the parcels at SW 184 St I strongly urge the SFWMD to work with great speed on completing Phase 1 projects in the South Dade Wetlands I strongly urge SFWMD not to wait for the completion of Phase1 to be beginning working on and planning for Phase 2. Should Phase 1 projects be held up significantly as they have been now for over a year, move forward with Phase 2 projects that are ready to go and where the lands are fully purchased and available. One such project is that of the SW 184 St parcels, move forward on this project now!	South Dade Wetlands,
33193	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	All of the District's core missions are furthered by the maintenance of these properties. Restoration and protection are both served through the continuation of the assessed lands, and the importance of keeping such lands on our water supply can't be understated. From my perspective it seems rather short-sighted to consider the disposal of any lands that contribute to Florida's water supply when the incredible repercussions of a limitation on our water supply are potentially so grave.	The only potential improvement would be to allow another agency or organization that is better equipped for the continued maintenance of any of the properties being considered for disposal to be given the authority to do so. Perhaps a local agency that can prioritize such a continued monitoring and maintenance program would better serve the long term goals of the District's core missions.	Improvements could be made on natural resource and public use issues through the organization of more recreational and educational opportunities. However, such recreational uses would need to be appropriate for the designated lands to prevent a further deterioration of the natural resources and natural systems in general.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,

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33143	East Coast Buffer	Bird Drive Basin	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	This area was acquired for the CERP project to provide seepage, but because of a number of complexities in the land acquisition process, this CERP project has not progressed. Regardless, Bird Drive satisfies the core mission of natural resource protection, as it has areas with ecologically important short hydroperiod wetlands, providing important habitat for wading birds, and is in close proximity to sizable nesting colonies. The GIS maps show a potential habitat richness of 2-4 species and Priority 2 Strategic Habitat Conservation Areas. This land will be critical in the future for adaptive management and continued flood control and also offers a natural buffer between the city and the Everglades. This area helps to keep the Maimi-Dade West Well field hydrated, Keeping incompatible development off this land is critical to the SFWMD mission and will make providing water to Miami-Dade easier in the the future.	I think a project can be done on this property that could provide better results then those recently outlined by building a new canal system. Even if this area is transmissive and land is costly. Miami Dade county does not have enough remaining parcels in other locations to offset the flood control issues and water supply demands to ensure best results for the future. This area should continue to be acquired and maintained so as to add to the overall bottom line of Miami-Dade Water budget, leaving more in the total pie for ENP and BNP. Even if there is no current project on this property it will serve the SFWMD's core mission just by staying in its current state.	The only better use would be a to find a way to partner with Miami-Dade Parks department and other local entities to remove exotics and restore this area. Miami-Dade has this identified as a greenway and a major recreation area for the city and 2.6 Million people. It would be wonderful to see this come to fruition and provide restoration and water recharge benefits at the same time. I think it is a problem that there are currently unrestricted Off Road Vehicles onsite and we should all work to limit access or create a specific and designated trail that can be used for this activity. This way the entire area does not get destroyed. Tropical Audubon would like to be one such partner in the future of this area, because of its critical importance to bird life.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33143	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The South Dade Wetlands are the critical linkage between to CERP projects. Because many of these parcels are coastal they are incredibly important for water quality as they filter water before entering Biscayne Bay. The more land that is in public ownership and out of development other then agriculture the better for water supply and for groundwater recharge. Groundwater is the most biologically available and is critical to the nursery grounds of Biscayne Bay in the near shore area. Because this is a main goal of CERP BBCW it is critical to finish acquiring the remaining parcels and continue to move forward with the planning of this project. Time is critical as we are seeing huge variations in salinity from Dry to Wet season and wild swings in salinity that wildlife can not survive through. In order to protect our natural resources we must continue the important partnership with Miami-Dade County and move forward with continued land acquisition in these region. It will be critical for sea level rise and protecting 2.6 million for the effects of climate change.	BBCW and C-111 and help to stave off saltwater intrusion, provide critical coastal habitat for migrating songbirds on the Atlantic flyway and are home to many endangered species. Tropical Audubon would like to see a move forward on planning for phase two of both of these CERP projects. Ensuring a dedicated amount of staffing and budget is focused in protecting this very important area is critical for the SFWMD mission success. Because these projects effect the most people and are the most visible to the public it is important to put these projects forward in the timeline so that public support for restoration remains high.	Once restored I would explore more education and recreation opportunities. Also keep in mind Miami-Dade County is desperately trying to increase its tree canopy from 13% to 30% by 2020. It would be important to show Dade County where and on what properties and along what canal right of ways trees could be planted to help meet this goal. Helping to achieve greenway connectivity will also improve the over all survival of wildlife and quality of life for the residents.	East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33161	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Water Quality	Canoeing and Kayaking	Very well. Keep it.	No.	Keep it public. Do not sell it!	South Dade Wetlands, Unassociated Parcels,

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33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33406	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Commenting on behalf of the Florida Wildlife Federation: All of the stormwater treatment areas are essential to the core missions of the SFWMD -- flood control, water quality treatment, water supply and natural resource protection. The STA's are the core of the district's efforts to meet Florida and EPA's water-quality standards by filtering polluting nutrients from farm runoff discharged into the Water Conservation Areas. They have also proven to be "bird magnets" providing areas for forage and breeding and recreation, principally bird watching, duck and alligator hunting. Flamingoes as well as swallow tail kites have been sighted in STA 2 as well as endangered snail kites and wood storks in areas 1E, 1W, 5 and 6. Commonly sighted in STA 1E and 1W are black-neck stilts, skimmers, egrets, herons, limpkins, coots and morehens.	There is no better use for this property in support of the district's core mission of protecting water quality. STA 3 and 4, which are operated as a unit are the best performing STAs; with the addition of flow equalization basins to regulate the flow of water into those STA's the performance is expected to achieve the water-quality standard set for discharge of water to the Water Conservation Areas of Florida's Everglades.	The district has a good program for ensuring multiple-use of STAs, and has opened them to bird watching, non-motorized hunting and fishing. The STAs have re-created and are functioning in a manner that not only improves water quality but also rebuilds natural Everglades habitats.	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, South Dade Wetlands,
33406	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Like the Water Conservation Areas, the Flow Equalization Basins are essential to the core mission of the SFWMD in meeting Florida's water quality standards and those of the US Environmental Protection Agency, which apply as a result of the Everglades Consent decree and subsequent litigation. In addition to their role in Everglades Restoration, for which SFWMD is the lead state agency, the FEB's also have a secondary use as water storage areas for flood control and water supply within the Everglades Agricultural Area. Federal funds were used to acquire the land, originally envisioned for use as a reservoir. The A1 FEB is partially constructed; the site of the A2 FEB is being farmed while engineering designs are completed. When operable the FEBs will regulate the flow of water into STAs 2, 3 and 4 to optimize removal of phosphorus and other polluting nutrients in farm-runoff before it is discharged into the Water Conservation Areas. A third FEB in the 139 Basin is in the planning stages and similarly will assist STA's 5 and 6.	In the long term there is no better use for this publicly owned land than buffering Everglades habitat from the polluting nutrients in runoff from the intensely farmed Everglades Agricultural Area and the 139 Basin. Discharges of untreated EAA runoff over forty years wrought dramatic and ruinous changes to the Everglades' plant communities and the species -- invertebrates, fish, birds, and wildlife -- dependent on Everglades habitat. Restoration of habitat, as has been demonstrated by the STAs, results in these areas being highly rated for conservation values. Construction of the FEBs should proceed as quickly as possible. N	No	Flow Equalization Basins, Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, South Dade Wetlands,

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33406	C-139 Annex	All	Recreation and Public Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	The C-139 Basin Annex was acquired by the SFWMD from U.S. Sugar and was/is the site of an orange grove afflicted with "greening." The site is adjacent to STAs 5 and 6 and the northern portion of the property will be used as an FEB to optimize the STA's ability to remove phosphorus and other nutrient pollution from farm runoff within the basin. This is consistent with the core mission of the district to restore the Everglades, protect water supplies and provide flood protection. Using Lake-Belt Mitigation funds, the remaining property will be restored as prime habitat for a variety of wildlife consistent with the mosaic of forested uplands, sloughs and marshes, which is consistent with the landscape of the Big Cypress and with providing flood protection, water storage and recharge. The Florida Wildlife Federation has advocated for and strongly supports restoration of this land for water storage, for the protection and use of wildlife, including panthers, black bear, deer, turkey, hog, cara cara, raptors and wading birds, and for compatible public recreation.	No	No	
33021	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Southern Glades: This area is essential for the District's core missions and must be kept in ownership. These lands are used in water mgmt for the C-111 Spreader Canal CERP project and for freshwater flow to Taylor Slough and Florida Bay. They are critical in restoring the health of Everglades National Park. The area is also key habitat for a variety of unique species. Model Lands: This area is critical for the District to accomplish its core missions and must be kept in ownership. It will reap restoration benefits as part of the BBCW CERP project. A number of rare and endangered species rely on this area. The land also functions as a wildlife corridor between several state and federal protected lands and helps to replenish freshwater flows to Biscayne National Park. Miami Dade County also holds protected lands in the area. Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands: This area is essential for the District's core mission and must be kept in ownership. The lands are needed for the BBCW CERP project to improve the health of Biscayne National Park. This area has some of the highest potential habitat richness throughout the District's land holdings. The parcels are located in an area identified as important to the protection of Biscayne National Park and Biscayne Bay by a joint Trust for Public Lands and National Park process. The SW 184 Parcel fulfills the District's core missions and must be kept in ownership. It is contiguous with the Biscayne National Park Boundary, and buffers the effects on development east of Old Cutler Road on Biscayne Bay. It is in a FEMA Flood Zone Area, making it at high risk for flooding, especially with sea level rise. The District just went through a rigorous process to acquire this parcel of land for phase 2 of BBCW. The 107th Parcel fulfills the District's core missions and must be kept in ownership. It is within the boundary of BBCW Alt O, and it is needed for the hydrologic buffering for Phase 1 and for features of Phase 2 of BBCW.	These properties need to be kept for environmental restoration projects. The District needs to start planning for BBCW and C-111 Phase two so that all these parcels can be used to their fullest potential.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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33021	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Boating	These areas are vital for the water supply of south Florida and for the restoration of water flow into Everglades National and Florida Bay. The District MUST keep all of these lands.		No. Although, benefits would be enhanced with increased focus on exotic vegetation control through these areas.	
33021	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Stormwater Treatment Areas are an essential component for the SFWMD's Everglades water quality projects, cleansing water by removing phosphorus before it flows south into the Everglades. It also has strong natural resource protection values, providing wonderful opportunities for recreational uses. These lands should be kept in District ownership.			
33021	East Coast Buffer	Broward County Water Preserves Area	Recreation and Public Use	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Broward County Water Preserve Area: This area is land acquired for the CERP project of the same name, which will provide water quality, seepage (flood control), and wildlife habitat protection. These lands are a key buffer between urban development and the Everglades. The GIS maps show the parcels highly rank as strategic habitat conservation areas. Central and Northern Lakebelt: This area is to increase operational flexibility to improve water flowage without detrimental impacts to flood protection or water quality. Pennsuco Wetlands: It fulfills the mission of natural systems restoration by providing high value habitats, including short hydroperiod wetlands, wet prairies, among others, as mitigation for rock mining impacts. C-4 Impoundment: The impoundment fulfills the core mission of flood control, and water quality improvement by capturing excess water flows from the C-4 basin and tempering its release to elevate levels of flood protection. The area also fulfills the core mission of natural resource protection, as this area is used by wildlife and wading birds for habitat.	Broward County Water Preserve Areas: All lands that lie within the footprint of the CERP must remain as is. The Griffin Road parcel is outside the footprint, but GIS maps show the land use is wetland hardwood forest and upland forested, as well as being well within a FEMA flood zone. We would object to this parcel being sold for development. However, the SFWMD may consider looking into a cooperative arrangement with Broward County to improve management of this land for conservation and water quality purposes.		

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33021	East Coast Buffer	Bird Drive Basin	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Bird Drive: This area was acquired for the CERP project to provide seepage, but because of a number of complexities in the land acquisition process, this CERP project has not progressed. Regardless, Bird Drive satisfies the core mission of natural resource protection, as it has areas with ecologically important short hydroperiod wetlands, providing important habitat for wading birds, and is in close proximity to sizable nesting colonies. The benefits envisioned from the CERP project still need to be attained. 8 ½ Square Mile: This area provides the core mission of flood control and natural resource protection as a seepage barrier from increased flows to the northeastern portion of Everglades National Park. The shallow impoundments are used by a variety of wildlife. L-31/ Rocky Glades- Frog Pond: This area provides seepage loss from Shark River Slough to Everglades National Park. It also has wildlife benefits and it important for the C-111 CERP project.	Bird Drive: Due to the complexity of the land interests and possibilities involved in the Bird Drive area, we look forward to participating in deeper discussions on the future of this area beyond this land assessment process to preserve the ecological integrity of the short hydroperiod wetlands in this area. 8 ½ Square Mile: Please note that the individual parcels are in a FEMA Flood Zone area, making development untenable.	Bird Drive: Yes, we believe a collaborative plan with multiple stakeholders to protect the valuable habitats in this area can garner the maximum benefit for this parcel. We look forward to further discussions.	
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Boating	Continued ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core mission.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				
33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Boating	Miami-Dade County needs to keep these wetlands to keep their commitment to the restoration of the Everglades. Selling the property places the wetlands in jeopardy of development, which would be totally contrary to Everglades restoration.			
33166	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Recreation and Public Use	Boating				



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33189	South Dade Wetlands	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part in the SFWMD's mission to restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor in the SFWMD's, best interest to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects. Purchasers would cut, fill, and build on this stretch of land, thereby destroying the mangroves, buttonwoods, and other cleansing flora that currently inhabit this area. Furthermore, it would destroy the safe haven for the huge crocodile that calls this area home. Go take a look for yourself. It's just the perfect tangle of bush and mud that spawns the fauna needed at every level of the ecosystem.	There is no better use for this property. It is in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land is purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is absolutely no better way to use this land. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural environment. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community. To relinquish this land is to further erode the ecosystem that has suffered so much over the years. Land crabs used to seasonally sweep across Cutler Road by the thousands. Maybe by the tens of thousands. It doesn't happen anymore. When my wife and I moved to Cutler Bay (nee Cutler Ridge), we had to slow down as an otter crossed 87th Ave south of Cutler Road. Then came Saga Bay, and Lakes by the Bay, and all the other housing and apartments that now occupy these environs. There is no better use for the sliver of natural habitat that still exists along this feeble coast of ours.	South Dade Wetlands,
33460	C-139 Annex	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	I recommend maintaining and keeping this property. It is part of the core mission of the district to maintain properties that could provide benefits towards restoration. This property also has certain endangered species including the Florida panther that move through and utilize this property. We recommend that you continue ownership of this property.	Some restoration and return of this property to a more natural state may increase the benefits to wildlife and improve water retention.	No.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33179	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing		Do not sell it, move on to phase II.	No.	Water Conservation Areas,

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33460	South Dade Wetlands	All	Threatened and Endangered Species	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	We recommend that the district continue to own these properties. They all are integral parts of the district's plans to protect and maintain natural resource protection. They also offer water quality and flood control protections. In particular BBCW lands are part of the plan to improve water supply to the Biscayne Bay Estuary. These areas have exceptional habitat for endangered species. They are important to providing a buffer to Everglades National Park. The Southern Glades is part of the C-111 Spreader Canal project. It provides for enhanced flows of waters to Florida Bay and Taylor Slough. Without these lands the project would be difficult to complete. The Southern Glades is important habitat for endangered species including the Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow, wading birds and the Florida Panther. The model lands provides extensive habitat for endangered species. It provides habitat for the Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow. Model lands provides habitat for many wading birds which is a strong component of the mission to provide Natural Resource protection. It also provides aquifer recharge to urban drinking water. These areas all meet with the core missions of the SFWMD. They are part of the efforts to improve flows to the Everglades National Park, provide drinking water to urban areas and provide flood protection by holding water. They also can store water during dry periods. We recommend maintaining all of these areas.	No. We recommend better exotic management to protect these areas.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, C-139 Annex, East Coast Buffer,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	Ownership and stewardship of this property is in alignment with BBCW and furthers the SFWMD's core missions.	Use lands that SFWMD owns now, such as the 184th parcels, to move forward on Phase 2 of BBCW rather than waiting for all of Phase 1 to be complete.	No. Using the lands for CERP/BBCW is the best way to assure that Biscayne Bay remains a viable economic resource while meeting SFWMD goals.	South Dade Wetlands,
33145	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other protect wetlands	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.		South Dade Wetlands,

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33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Other All stated above	Other Multiple listed above	The planned use of the property directly supports the mission of the District. Including the land as part (Phase 2) of the Everglades restoration plan and allowing fresh water to flow across the land will directly support of the District's mission to increase the recreational value of the area by restoring life to the bay including many endangered and protected species found on or associated with the property. The quality of the water entering the bay would be protected by the filtering effect achieved as the water flows across the land. The District's core mission of flood control will also be attained through having land available to handle storm surge from tropical weather events protecting	The best use of the property is to include it in the Everglades Restoration Plan. Due to the rampant development in the area this property this is one of the last open spaces available for the District to realize its mandated mission. The restoration of the Bay requires water to flow across land not in burst at single locations. Logically, to succeed the District will require multiple locations along the coastline. As stated, very few lands are not developed so no replacement option is available.	There is no better use for the property. The economy of the area will improve with higher recreation use (fishing, boating, wildlife viewing, etc.). In addition commercial fishing interests will improve for shrimp, crabs and for fish both game and commercial as the area will function as a nursery. The public, particular the residents in the area will benefit greatly from the flood control offered by the land serving as a buffer against surges caused by tropical storms.	Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
34957	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Preventing further westward development in South Florida is essential for not only the future of wetland-dependent wildlife, but also the future of South Florida's water resources.	Do not develop any further west! It completely contradicts efforts within the CERP.		Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,
33603	South Dade Wetlands	All	Recreation and Public Use	Camping	I'm a water resource engineer, and have developed many flood models for varying clients in the Central Florida area. I'm also an avid camper, and a full-life Florida resident. I know, first hand, the impact of depleting wetlands, conservation areas, and equalization basins have on not just wildlife sustainability, but also on surrounding developments. Wetlands are meant to be just that... WET. So developing them into suburbs to meet a budget to appease the growing masses is an unwise investment in the quality of our precious Florida lands. What makes Florida so unique is our diverse habitats. They are truly meant to be enjoyed as they are, not manipulated into something commercial and unsustainable. In short, if you build up these sensitive wetland areas, all the displaced water has to go somewhere, and all the pollutants have lost treatment area. The surface water contamination s will go up and the local wildlife will decline. Please, please, please don't make this kind of disastrous impact on what remains of our conservation areas.	I believe many conservation areas have been turned into public parks. The lands are not lost and the area can still provide a type of entertainment and financial resource to the public. Doing a master plan analysis on design and feasibility would be money well spent. A smaller portion of a large wetland area can be tuned into a recreational and educational area, even add a swimming pool, which would sacrifice a little land to keep a lot.	No. Wetlands are one of the best natural means to treat nutrient overloads and stabilize flooding threats. Why mess with what has been fine-tuned by millions of years of evolution? Nature can be harnessed to our advantage, but I don't think it should be manipulated passed its logical and definable limits. By selling the lands for suburban or commercial development, you are releasing control of a sensitive balance in that ecosystem.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, South Dade Wetlands,
33157	South Dade Wetlands	All	Growth Management and Land Use	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	Please continue with phase 2 and do not sale the land			South Dade Wetlands,

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32080	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplus of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. Overall, these lands are vital for reducing phosphorous discharges to the Everglades ecosystem. The lands in question all meet (or exceed) the District's core missions of water quality, flood control, water supply and natural systems restoration. These lands are also important for regional public recreation. Overall, it would be extremely unwise to seriously contemplate the surplus of these lands given how vital they are to South Florida's water supply, natural systems and economy.	No, not overall. But, only the STA 1W Outparcel could be considered for surplus, and that would be subject to a perpetual conservation easement restricting the land use to continuing agriculture and prohibiting any future development.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
32080	Flow Equalization Basins	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplus of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. These lands are required to better manage the nutrient flow to the Everglades ecosystem. They support the same District core mission values as the STA sites, i.e., water quality, flood control, water supply and natural systems restoration.	No. But, because they will be under construction for the next several years, no public access or recreation is yet available. But these lands are important to retain for the South Florida water balance and future economic prosperity of the entire region.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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32080	C-139 Annex	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplusing of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. These lands are to be restored as mitigation for ongoing impacts associated with rock mining. They meet the core mission values of the District with regard to water quality, water supply and natural systems restoration. The site will be heavily utilized by wildlife.	No. These lands are important to retain for the South Florida water balance and future economic prosperity of the entire region.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
32080	Water Conservation Areas	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplusing of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. Retention of these lands and waters in conservation and management are indispensable for the economic well-being and future of South Florida. The SFWMD only owns about ¼ of these lands with the remainder owned/managed by the USFWS and the FFWCC. The sites meet ALL of the District's core mission values of water quality, flood control, water supply and natural systems restoration. The lands and waters are critical components of South Florida's overall water balance, water management system and vital to Everglades restoration efforts. Their retention in conservation should not just be a District or State of Florida priority, but a national priority as well.	No. The lands are highly valued for public recreation and highly significant to maintenance of the state's wildlife populations for numerous species. Without retention of these sites in public conservation ownership and management, water deliveries to Everglades National Park and Florida Bay would be impossible, as would be sustainable drinking water supplies for the residents of South Florida. Any talk or serious discussion of the surplusing of these sites is absolutely unwarranted.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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32080	East Coast Buffer	L-31 N / Rocky Glades and Frog Pond	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplus of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. I was personally involved in the ecological assessments performed prior to acquiring several of these sites, although it was long recognized that the need for this series of lands was imperative for maintaining South Florida's water balance, ecology and water supplies. This suite of lands was part of the earliest Everglades restoration efforts to protect lands east of the protective levees to better manage water to the Everglades ecosystem without detrimentally impacting urban areas to directly the east. These lands are required for capturing, storing and slowly releasing water to benefit both dense urban areas and natural systems. These lands meet (or exceed) ALL of the District's core mission values of water quality, flood control, water supply and natural systems restoration.	No. Retention of these lands in public ownership, conservation and management is crucial to maintaining South Florida's water supply and economy. They are especially – and increasingly – important as salt water intrusion is accelerating into well fields supplying the drinking water for millions of South Florida residents as sea level continues to rise. It seems apparent that the District well recognizes and acknowledges management alternatives and other appropriate scenarios for these lands, including mitigation.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,

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32080	South Dade Wetlands	All	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplus of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. These lands include the Southern Glades, Model Lands and the key, remaining Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands. I used to explore these areas on foot years ago and know first-hand their importance to the ecology and water balance of South Florida, Everglades National Park and Biscayne National Park, as well as the numerous rare and imperiled species and natural communities they encompass. The Southern Glades site meets the District's core mission values of water quality and natural systems restoration, at a minimum. Their retention is warranted because of their indispensable nature as CERP components and they are vital to the protection of the hydrology of Everglades National Park. They also support important public recreation uses. The Model Lands are equally hydrologically important to the water balance of South Florida and Everglades National Park. They are being acquired in partnership with Miami-Dade County and are unsuitable for development. They should absolutely be retained in conservation for their many important ecological and hydrological attributes and as a buffer against increasing sea level rise and concomitant salt water intrusion into important municipal well fields. The goal of maintaining the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands sites is to improve the ecological health of Biscayne Bay and Biscayne National Park by adjusting the water quality, quantity, seasonal timing and flows to Biscayne Bay. Important for estuarine health and produc	No. The retention of all these lands is well-demonstrated in the materials provided by the District and none of them should be considered for surplus. These lands well meet - and exceed - the District's core mission in the majority of the four critical areas: water quality, flood control, water supply and natural systems restoration.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
32080	Unassociated Parcels	L-8 EAA Parcel	Water Supply	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The Nature Conservancy's comments on the possible surplus of the lands within the Everglades Assessment Region will be briefer than for other such assessment regions because the vast majority of these lands are so important for meeting the District's core mission values and for protecting the water supply of both South Florida residents and natural areas, such as Everglades National Park. The economy of South Florida depends upon getting the water component right and having a reliable and sustainable water supply. These lands are within the EAA, but are apparently not part of an ongoing water resource development project.	Possibly. L-8 Parcel – This property could be surplus with a perpetual conservation easement that restricts all future use to agriculture and prohibits any future development. SR827 Parcel – This property could be surplus with a perpetual conservation easement that restricts all future use to agriculture and prohibits any future development, pending an assessment of any restrictions on doing so with respect to the various funding sources used to acquire it. Deer Fence Parcel – This tract looks like it has some good natural resource values and native habitats and connects to other such areas to the north and east. This property could be surplus with a perpetual conservation easement that restricts all future use to cattle grazing and hunting but prohibits any future development.	See above. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer, South Dade Wetlands,
33460	Water Conservation Areas	All	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	The water conservation areas provide all of the district's mission very well.	No.	No.	Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,

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33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Bird Watching, Wildlife Viewing	Not good because the local citizens were informed it might be sold. We the citizens of south Dade strongly encourage you guys to please to continue moving forward with phase 2 of this project. Selling this land would not be good for our community's and not in the best interest of your organizations goal anyhow. It be detrimental to the goal of protecting the Everglades and our coastal wetlands. Please do not sell the land.			
33189	South Dade Wetlands	BBCW Component SW 184th St. Parcels	Natural Systems Restoration	Other	This property was purchased specifically for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project and is an important part of the SFWMD's mission to protect and restore the natural habitat. It would not be in the public's, nor the SFWMD's interests to dispose of this property or any of the lands in the footprint of CERP's restoration projects.	There is no better use for this property. It would be in the best interest of the community for the SFWMD to keep the existing property and intermediately begin Phase 2 of the BBCW project. Given that the land has been purchased, further delays to Phase 2 are unnecessary.	There is absolutely no better way to use this property. It is important to move forward as planned in order to protect this natural habitat. Moving forward meets the goals of the SFWMD and is in the best interest of the community.	South Dade Wetlands,
33460	Stormwater Treatment Areas	All	Water Quality	Hiking, Walking, Jogging	From my understanding the property effectively handles the stormwater for the surrounding areas. Not only does it provide an area for the stormwater it treats is and creates an area for wildlife. This seems to fit the flood control, water quality, and natural resource missions.	NO. It appears to fit 4 of the 5 core missions of the district.	Continuing to maintain the property. It is the only place I have seen a snail kite, if anything enhance the habitat for snail kites but certainly don't change it. As someone who grew up in Wellington I had no idea for the longest time that the Everglades was essentially in my backyard, I'd like it to stay that way. Maybe outreach into the community about the excellent opportunity to see not only bordering everglades neighboring their city would be a good idea to increase public use.	Stormwater Treatment Areas, Water Conservation Areas, East Coast Buffer,