

# SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

# Media Advisory

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### SFWMD to Hold Public Workshop on C-43 Water Reservation

**WHAT:** Restoration project

Restoration projects to support a healthy, productive Caloosahatchee Estuary are essential to maintaining the ecological integrity and associated economic benefits of this unique habitat on Florida's southwest coast.

The Caloosahatchee River (C-43) West Basin Storage Reservoir is a 170,000 acre-foot reservoir designed to reduce the amount of freshwater flows into the estuary from basin runoff and discharges from Lake Okeechobee and provide related benefits.

The proposed water reservation rule will identify and reserve water from consumptive use for the project and ensure that water is available to provide the intended benefits to the natural system.

WHEN: Thursday, January 23, 2014

**TIME:** 10 a.m. – noon

**WHERE:** SFWMD Lower West Coast Service Center

2301 McGregor Blvd. Fort Myers, Fl 33901

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**INFORMATION:** C-43 Water Reservation.

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### About the South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District is a regional, governmental agency that oversees the water resources in the southern half of the state – 16 counties from Orlando to the Keys. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. The agency mission is to manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply. A key initiative is cleanup and restoration of the Everglades.