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Invasive Plant Removal to Benefit Lake Kissimmee SFWMD crews in airboats will accomplish the work

West Palm Beach, FL – The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) plans to treat 644 acres of invasive hydrilla this week on Lake Kissimmee to protect native aquatic plants and enhance navigation.

Weather permitting, work will take place between February 12 and 14. Crews in airboats will apply the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-approved herbicide Aquathol.

District staff will coordinate operations with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), which also has a key role in the lake's management.

For More Information:

• Kissimmee Chain of Lakes

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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.