

Dispersed Water Management Program Northern Everglades – Payment for Environmental Services

Dispersed water projects provide a cost-effective method to increase water storage on ranches north of Lake Okeechobee while improving water quality for the Everglades as well as for the lake and coastal estuaries.



(Before) In early 2009, the Nine Gems property sat mostly dry. (After) The South Florida Water Management District, in cooperation with Martin County, has since restored the land's hydrology to add 2,000 acre-feet of regional water storage.