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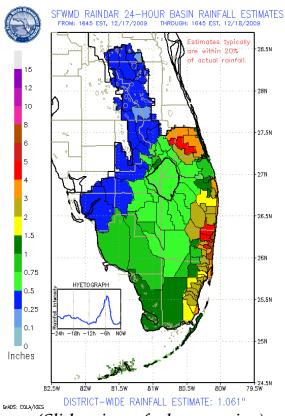
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South Florida Experiences Heavy Rainfall Over Past 24 Hours

Flood control system has operated normally to move water

Video clip attached for media



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West Palm Beach, FL — Due to high rainfall in South Florida over the last 24 hours, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is issuing the following conditions report.

Excessive rain fell on the eastern coast of South Florida on Thursday night. Many coastal areas received 3 to 4 inches of rain, with some spots receiving more than a foot of rain. Rainfall on Friday has been moderate but more widespread across the region.

The District's flood control system has been operating normally to move water. Conservation measures during wet periods such as these help preserve water resources for periods that have been historically drier, such as in April and May.

A short video clip featuring SFWMD spokesperson Gabe Margasak discussing the rainfall is available for:

- Television stations: ftp://ftp.sfwmd.gov/incoming/sfwmd_rainfall_pt1.mov
- Web sites: https://my.sfwmd.gov/portal/page/portal/common/flash/sfwmd_rainfall_pt
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About the South Florida Water Management District — <u>Celebrating 60 Years (1949-2009)</u> 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.