



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

OPERATIONS UPDATE

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SFWMD Increases Pumping to Aid Flooded Water Conservation Area

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) today increased pumping at a flood control structure to protect families and businesses in the 8.5 Square Mile Area of Homestead. This will allow ongoing emergency operations to relieve flooding in the nearby Water Conservation Area 3 in Miami-Dade and Broward counties to continue at the maximum rate.

Because of the extraordinary natural phenomena impacting Everglades wildlife, excess clean water being moved out of the conservation area and into Everglades National Park is raising water levels in the neighboring residential 8.5 Square Mile Area.

Increased pumping at the S-357 structure near the park, and a temporary pump installed by an SFWMD field station crew at the site to control seepage, will help keep water at normal levels for residents. Working together, these operations will also help keep clean water in the park.

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The South Florida Water Management District is a regional governmental agency that manages water resources in the southern part of the state. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts.

Our mission is to protect South Florida's water resources by balancing and improving flood control, water supply, water quality and natural systems.