SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

WATER WATCH

Keeping an Eye on Water Resources

District-Wide Conditions for June 19, 2014

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is issuing the following briefing:

South Florida's rainy season is well underway, with a District-wide estimated average of 2.7 inches of rainfall during the past seven days. Some areas have experienced periods of intense rainfall, with 6-8 inches falling during the past week in Broward, Okeechobee and western Martin and St. Lucie counties. Levels in surface water such as lakes, canals and conservation areas, along with groundwater aquifers, are rising throughout the region.

Memorial Day weekend through the July 4 weekend are typically the wettest six weeks of the year.

Water Levels in Key Locations (June 19)		
Location	Today's level	Water Supply Floor
WCA-1	15.93 feet	14.00 feet
WCA-2A	10.92 feet	10.50 feet
WCA-3A	8.91 feet	7.50 feet

Water Conservation

- South Florida is under the District's Year-Round Landscape Irrigation Rule that limits residential and business landscape irrigation to two or three days per week.
 - o To determine watering days and times in your area, contact your local government or visit www.sfwmd.gov/2days.
- Permitted water users such as nurseries, agriculture, golf courses and utilities can find water use conditions in their permits online at www.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting.
- For tips and information about water conservation, visit <u>www.savewaterfl.com</u>.

Lake Okeechobee Operations

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers manages Lake Okeechobee water levels based on its regulation schedule and the best available science and data provided by its staff and a variety of partners, including SFWMD.
 - SFWMD makes an operational recommendation each week based on conditions. The most recent Operational Position Statement is available at <u>www.sfwmd.gov/opsreports</u>.

Lake Okeechobee Levels		
Today (June 19)	12.70 feet	
Historical Average for Today	13.19 feet	
This Date One Year Ago	13.90 feet	

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