

WATER WATCH

Keeping an Eye on Water Resources

District-Wide Conditions for August 18, 2014

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

Much of South Florida experienced a typical wet season week with an average of about 1.5 inches of rain falling over the District during the past 7 days. Periods of heavy rainfall caused localized street flooding in some areas along the east coast. Overall, water levels continue to rise due to daily showers and thunderstorms.

Late August through October is generally characterized by highly variable rainfall mainly as a result of tropical activity and cold fronts.

Water Levels in Key Locations (August 18)		
Location	Today's level	Water Supply Floor
WCA-1	16.67 feet	14.00 feet
WCA-2A	12.88 feet	10.50 feet
WCA-3A	9.97 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.
 - 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 www.savewaterfl.com.

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 www.sfwmd.gov/opsreports.

Lake Okeechobee Levels	
Today (August 18)	14.49 feet
Historical Average for Today	14.02 feet
This Date One Year Ago	15.85 feet

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