

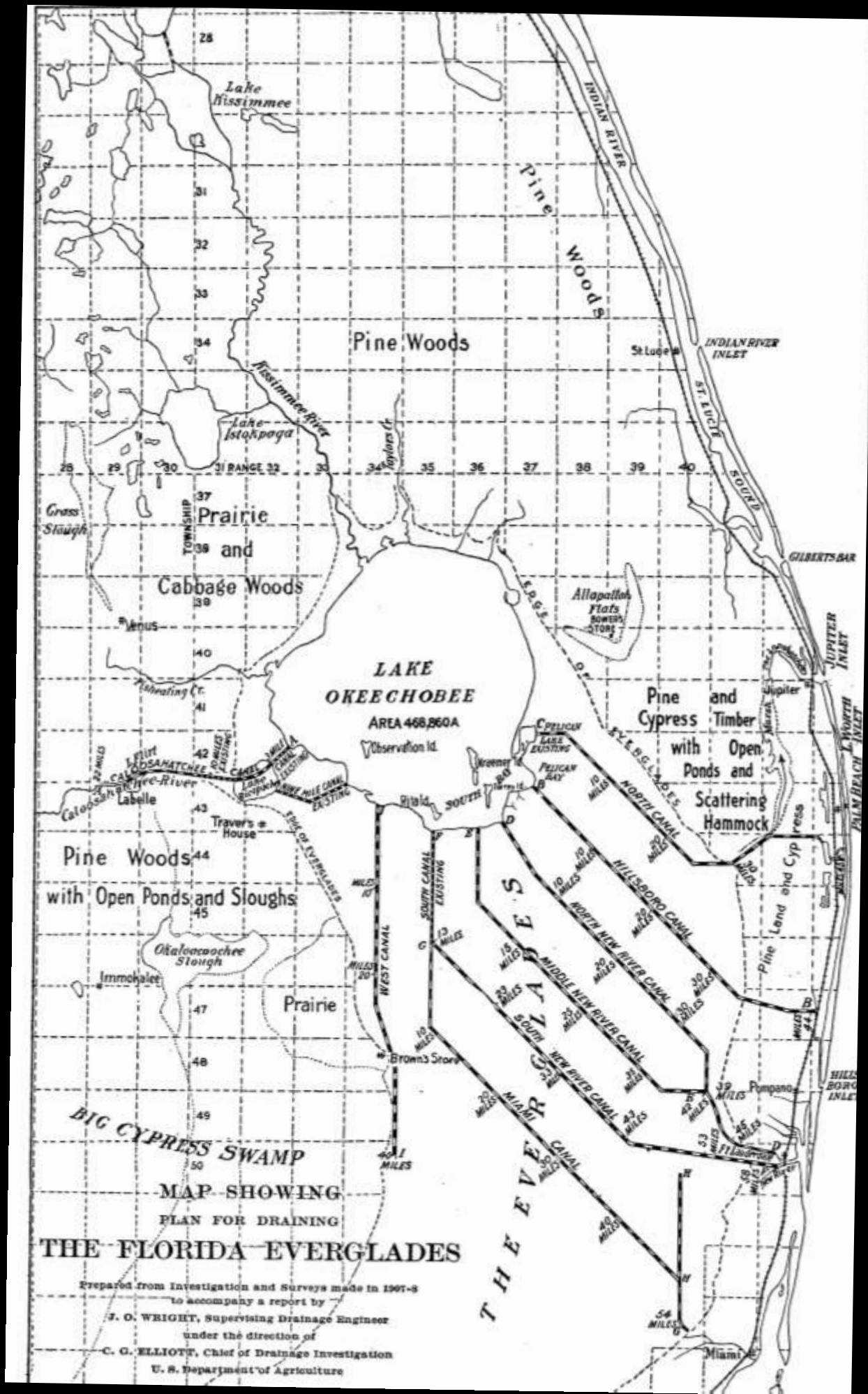


Presidents Council Membership Meeting

Guest Speaker

Jacqui Thurlow-Lippisch
Governing Board, SFWMD





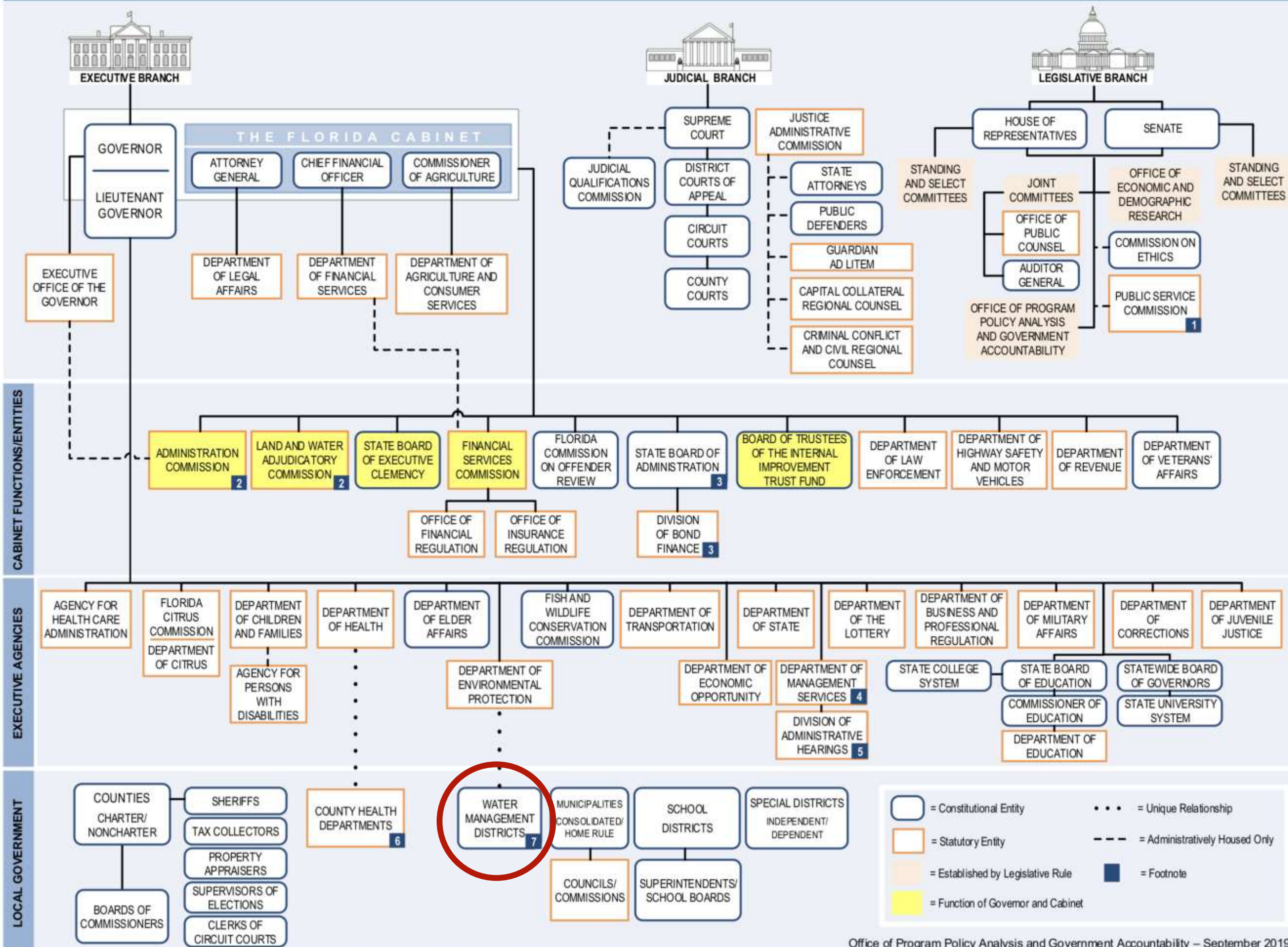
**MAP SHOWING
PLAN FOR DRAINING
THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES**

Prepared from Investigation and Surveys made in 1907-8
to accompany a report by
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THE FLORIDA ELECTORATE



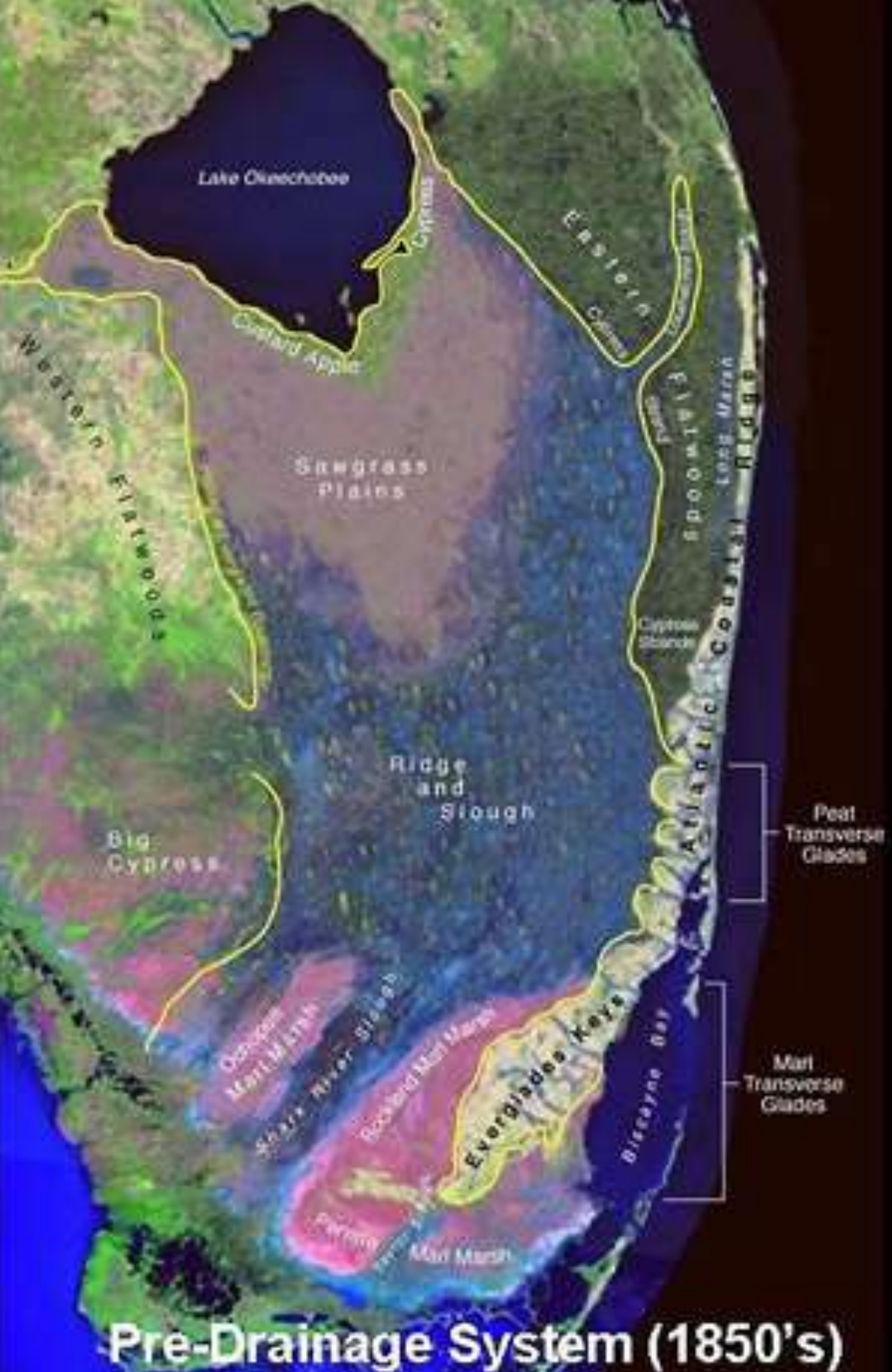
2019 SFWMD Governing Board

Our mission: to safeguard and restore South Florida's water resources and ecosystems, protect our communities from flooding, and meet the regions' water needs while connecting with the public and stakeholders.

Q: What are your short term & long term plans?

They are very much the same...

“To restore the Everglades, delivering more clean water south as it used to naturally flow while protecting both South Florida’s environment and its communities.”



Q: What has been Accomplished?

- 2019 new Governing Board for the SFWMD!
- New Mission Statement
- New Strategic Plan guided by Governor DeSantis' 2019 Executive Order 19-12, "Achieving More Now For Florida's Environment" including the Blue-Green Algae Task Force & SFWMD's 29 Key Projects:
[SFWMD.gov/AchieveMoreNow](https://www.sfwmd.gov/AchieveMoreNow)

Q: What are the next funding opportunities in order to prioritize and achieve these goals?

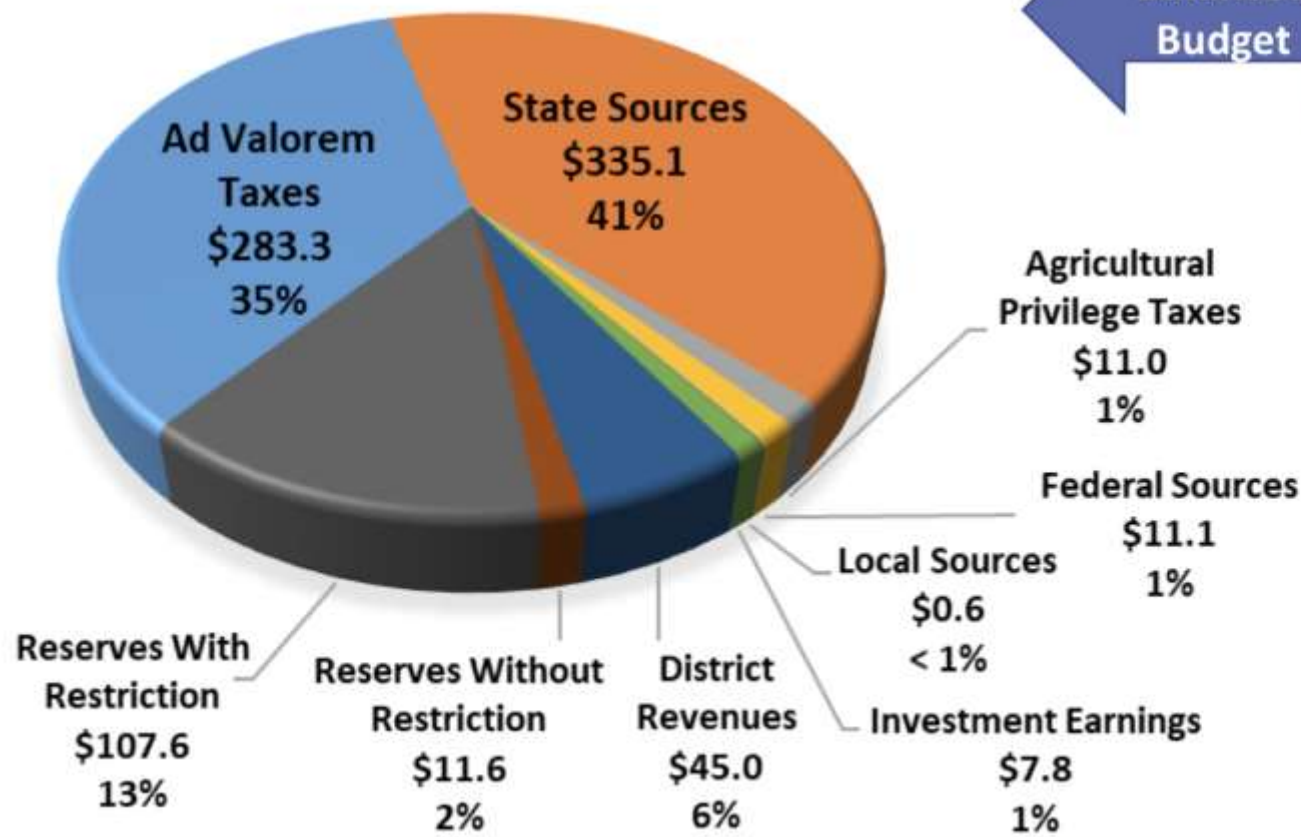
- Federal Funding: Water Resources Development Act
- State Funding: Florida Legislature
- CERP cost sharing

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Fiscal Year 2019-20 DRAFT Preliminary Status

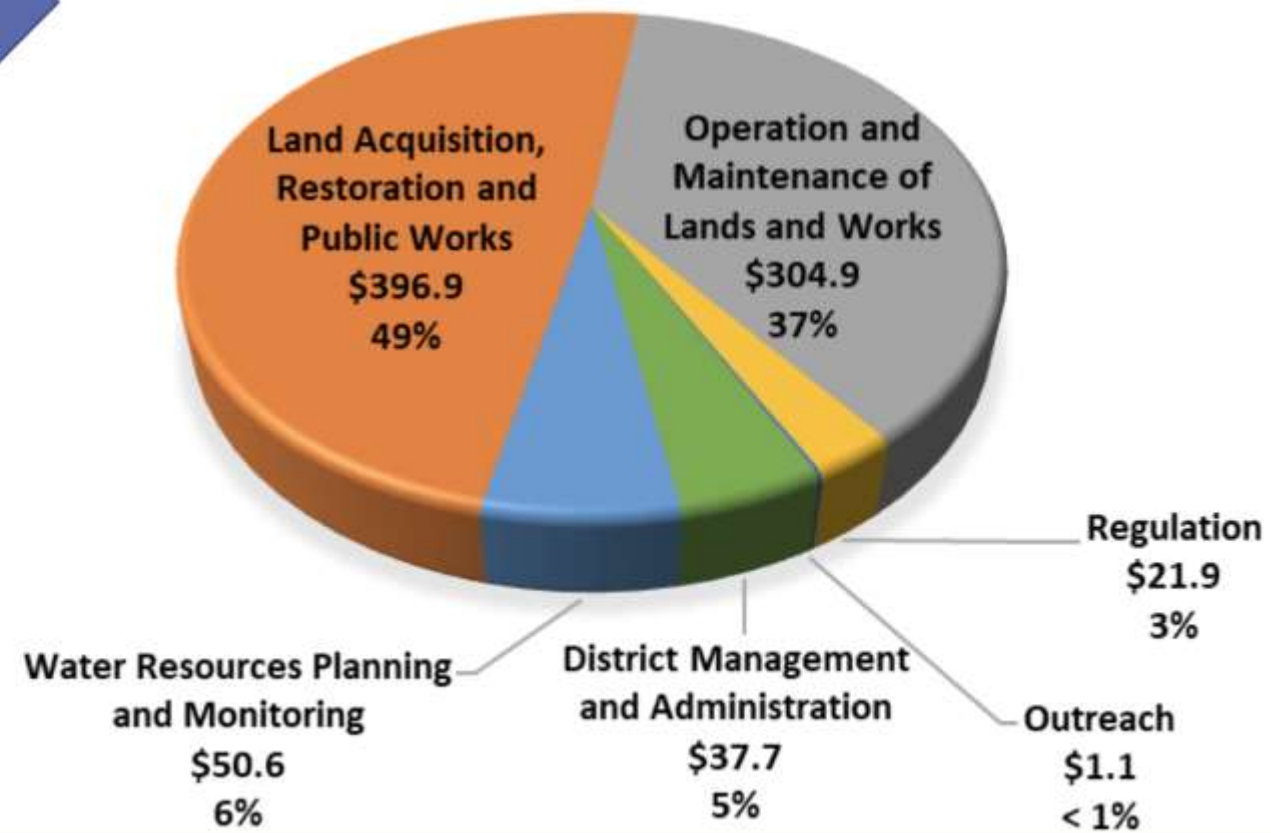
\$813.1 Million

REVENUE SOURCES



Balanced Budget

EXPENDITURE USES



Q: What is the Timeline to Improve Water Quality?

“Within less than a decade we will be able to store a FOOT of Lake O water in storage projects north, south, east, and west!”

Specific Timeline of Projects Underway

- Kissimmee River Restoration 2021
- EAA Reservoir STA 2023; Reservoir 2028
- Caloohahatchee C-43 Reservoir 2023
- St Lucie C-44 STA 2020; Reservoir 2021
- Watershed Protection Plans addressing Total Maximum
-Daily Loads for nutrient pollution and “algae” w/in Basin
Management Action Plans through 2040
- CERP?

Q: Grants?

Beach Renourishment?

Opportunities for IRL Water Quality
Improvement?

Q: How can one best support Everglades Restoration?

- Advocacy!
- Build relationships with elected officials
- Speak during public comment



Thank you!

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