

# Central and Southern Florida Project Comprehensive Review Study (The Restudy)

## Key Points

### The Problem:

- Everglades size reduce by 50%
- Flows to existing Everglades reduced by 70%
- Water quality deteriorated
- Habitat reduced or damaged
- 68 endangered species

### The Plan

- Capture most of 1.7 billion gallons of water per day lost to the ocean and gulf and store for later use
- Return the right quantity and quality of water at the right time and to the right places
- Based on science
- Developed by a collaborative effort: multi-agency/multi-discipline
- Flexible and can accommodate new science

### The Costs

- \$7.8 billion to construct; \$182 million each year to operate, maintain and monitor
- Cost shared
- Investment in the nation's future

### Benefits:

- 80% of the "new" water will be sent to the ecosystem
- 94% of pre-drainage flows returned to Everglades National Park
- Ecological restoration supports tourism, fishing, and sustainable south Florida
- Enhance water supply to provide for sustainable south Florida
- Maintains and sometimes improves flood control benefits

### Implementation

- Based on principle of achieving environmental restoration as soon as possible
- By 2010, more than 50% of hydrologic restoration achieved
- Sound science and peer review integral part of implementation
- Adaptive assessment allows the plan to be continually monitored and changes made to projects so that maximum benefits can be derived