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Report to Congress for Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan Available

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – The 2010 Report to Congress for the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) has been delivered to Congress and is now available. The report details the collaborative effort of participating agencies and their combined commitment to improve the Everglades ecosystem.

This is the second CERP report prepared for Congress and is required by the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2000. The report covers implementation progress from mid-2005 through 2010, as well as activities planned for the next five years. The secretaries of the Army and the Interior jointly submitted the final report to Congress yesterday.

Federal and state partners have made significant progress on CERP implementation over the past five years. Federally-funded construction began on the Picayune Strand Restoration Project and Site 1 Impoundment in 2010. The Indian River Lagoon-South, C-44 Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area project broke ground Oct. 28, 2011. In addition, the state of Florida began construction of the C-111 Spreader Canal Western and Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Phase I projects. These crucial efforts will begin to transform the management of water throughout the system, providing much needed water storage, water treatment and rehydration to large areas of the ecosystem. These are among the many accomplishments and highlights covered in the report.

The report, along with the CERP Report to Public brochure, is available online at http://www.evergladesplan.org/pm/program_docs/cerp_reports_congress.aspx.

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