



REStoration COOrdination and VERification (RECOVER)  
Evaluation Team, Regional Evaluation Report

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Project Managers and Planning Technical Leads  
C-111 Spreader Canal Project  
Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan

Dear Project Team Managers and Planning Technical Leads,

RECOVER has completed its regional evaluation of the C-111 Spreader Canal Project (C-111 SC) alternative plans. The attached addendum should be used in conjunction with the initial report delivered on February 27, 2009.

RECOVER's evaluation of project alternatives fulfills the following requirements as prescribed by the Programmatic Regulations:

1. Support project teams to achieve consistency with the CERP's goals and objectives;
2. Document the performance of the project alternative plans using RECOVER approved system-wide performance measures, project performance measures (when appropriate), and best professional judgment. RECOVER determines the ability of each alternative plan to meet the targets established for each performance measure and describes the resulting effects upon the natural system. When appropriate, RECOVER evaluations include a qualitative analysis on how the project fulfills CERP goals and objectives;
3. Suggest improvements to the project, which if pursued could improve project performance or enhance benefits to the natural system;
4. Provide insight, if possible, and alert the project teams of any inconsistent modeling assumptions for the project as originally modeled in the CERP.

Recommendations discussed within the RECOVER regional evaluation report generally fall into one of three categories:

1. Recommendations that can easily be incorporated into the plan formulation process;
2. Recommendations that are more conceptual in nature, which the Project Team may select to incorporate into preliminary designs to improve project performance; and
3. Recommendations that are crucial to the project, but cannot be addressed prior to the AFB meeting.

Concerning the latter category, RECOVER significantly expedited its regional evaluation to satisfy the need for timely reporting, while bringing forward as much science as possible. Therefore, RECOVER may provide additional information supporting and refining the original regional evaluation, if additional information becomes available from the Project Delivery Team.

Best regards,

RECOVER Evaluation Team