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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Daniel O'Keefe
Governing Board
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Welcome to *The Ripple Effect*, the South Florida Water Management District's monthly electronic newsletter that covers the latest water news — straight from the source.

March District Governing Board

Earlier this month, the South Florida Water Management District and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection released the 2014 *South Florida Environmental Report*, a comprehensive update on South Florida's water resources and ecosystems. The report captures front-and-center issues the Board addressed throughout the year, from ecological conditions in our 16 counties to construction

Annual Environmental Report Highlights Restoration Progress, State of the South Florida Ecosystem

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the South Florida Water Management District have released the 2014 South Florida Environmental Report detailing a year of science, engineering and environmental restoration progress to improve the Everglades, Lake Okeechobee, the Kissimmee Basin and South Florida coastal areas... [more](#)

SFWMD Begins Next Steps of Land Assessment Process

As part of an ongoing effort to maximize resources toward its mission-critical responsibilities and continue its commitment to transparency, the South Florida Water Management District is moving forward with the next phase of its comprehensive land assessment... [more](#)

SFWMD to Repair Dams Along 'Wild and Scenic' Loxahatchee River

The South Florida Water Management District has begun preliminary work to repair dams along portions of the federally designated "Wild and Scenic" Northwest Fork of the Loxahatchee River. The dams help hold water at levels that benefit the diverse ecology of the river's ecosystem... [more](#)

In the News

- [Raptor Recovering After Rescue in Everglades Water-Cleaning Wetland](#)

Water Drops



- [Up-to-the-Minute Weather Conditions... more](#)
- [What you can do to Save Water... more](#)

This Month in Photos

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progress on Everglades
restoration projects... [more](#)



Calendar

April 1

Everglades Technical Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting
10 a.m., SFWMD B-1 Auditorium, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach

April 3

Water Resources Advisory Commission Meeting
9 a.m., Sunrise Civic Center, 10610 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise

April 10

Governing Board Meeting
9 a.m., SFWMD B-1 Auditorium, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach

April 16

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters
10 a.m., SFWMD B-1 Storch Conference Room, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach

April 22

L-31N Technical Meeting
10 a.m., SFWMD B-1 3B Bridge Conference Room, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach

April 29

Big Cypress Basin Board Meeting
9 a.m., Collier County Board of County Commissioners Chambers, 3299 Tamiami Trail East – 3rd Floor,
Naples

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