

## **SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2009- \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ACCEPTING REVISIONS TO THE “LONG TERM PLAN FOR ACHIEVING WATER QUALITY GOALS (LONG TERM PLAN)” AND DIRECTING STAFF TO AMEND THE PERMIT APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN DECEMBER 2003, PURSUANT TO SECTION 10 OF THE EVERGLADES FOREVER ACT, SECTION 373.4592, FLORIDA STATUTES (2003), INCORPORATING THOSE REVISIONS TO THE LONG TERM PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (TRACEY PICCONE, EXT. 6495)**

**WHEREAS**, On December 19, 2003, pursuant to the Governing Board’s direction, District staff submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection the application for the Section 10 Everglades Forever Act permit incorporating the provisions of the “Long-Term Plan for Achieving Water Quality Goals (Long-Term Plan)” dated October 27, 2003.

**WHEREAS**, The Long-Term Plan acknowledged that achieving water quality standards would involve an adaptive management approach and that the Long-Term Plan would be revised based on new science or other information.

**WHEREAS**, On June 24, 2008, Governor Charlie Crist announced that the District would begin negotiating an agreement to acquire agricultural land owned by the United States Sugar Corporation for Everglades restoration. On May 13, 2009, the Governing Board approved a River of Grass land acquisition strategy that provides for the initial purchase of approximately 73,000 acres of strategically located land south of Lake Okeechobee. Included in this initial purchase is the C-139 Annex consisting of 17,918 acres.

**WHEREAS**, the C-139 Annex has an identified potential use as a reservoir, a stormwater treatment area (STA), or a combination of STA and reservoir, to assist in improved performance of STA-5 and STA-6, it is therefore proposed to amend the Long-

Term Plan to include the C-139 Annex portion of the proposed 73,000-acre land purchase and it is proposed to fund the C-139 Annex land acquisition with Long-Term Plan funding;

**now therefore**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT:**

**Section 1.** The Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District hereby accepts the proposed revisions to the Long Term Plan and directs staff to submit to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection an amendment to the application for a Section 10 Everglades Forever Act permit, that shall incorporate those revisions to the October 27, 2003 Long-Term Plan for Achieving Water Quality Goals. An executive summary describing the proposed revisions is attached hereto.

**Section 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED** and **ADOPTED** this 10th day of September, 2009.

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD

By:

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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Assistant Secretary

Approved as to form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Office of Counsel