

1 SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2007 - _____

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5 A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER
6 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE
7 CONSERVATION COMMISSION (FWC) TO ESTABLISH STORMWATER
8 TREATMENT AREAS (STA'S) 1 WEST, 3/4 AND 5 AS PUBLIC SMALL GAME
9 HUNTING AREAS AND MANAGE WATERFOWL HUNTS AT STA-1W, STA-3/4 AND
10 STA-5 DURING THE 2007 – 2008 WATERFOWL HUNTING SEASON; PROVIDING AN
11 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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13 WHEREAS, the District is required by the Everglades Forever Act (Section 373.4592, Florida
14 Statutes) to make "...[stormwater treatment areas] available for public recreational use unless the District
15 Governing Board can demonstrate that such uses are incompatible with the restoration goals of the
16 Everglades Construction Project or the water quality or hydrological purposes of the STA's or would
17 otherwise adversely impact the implementation of the project"; and

18 WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District deems it
19 necessary, appropriate, and in the public interest to authorize the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
20 Commission ("FWC") to establish Stormwater Treatment Areas 1 West, 3/4 and 5 ("STA-1W", "STA-3/4"
21 and "STA-5", respectively) as Public Small Game Hunting Areas, in accordance with Rule 68A-13.007,
22 Florida Administrative Code, and to manage waterfowl hunts therein during the 2007 - 2008 waterfowl
23 season; and

24 WHEREAS, the FWC will manage the 2007 – 2008 hunts and other public uses in a manner
25 substantially similar to the regulations and requirements set forth in Exhibits A-1, A-2 and A-3 attached
26 hereto and incorporated herein by reference, which regulations and requirements will be updated for the
27 2007-2008 season by FWC prior to issuance and entitled "STA-1W Public Small Game Hunting Area
28 2006-2007", "STA-3/4 Public Small Game Hunting Area 2006 – 2007", and "STA-5 Public Small Game
29 Hunting Area 2006-2007", respectively; and

30 WHEREAS, the FWC will provide security and law enforcement at STA-1W, STA- 3/4 and STA-5;
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32 WHEREAS, the FWC will publish and distribute a pamphlet regarding the regulations regarding
33 public use and access, as well as maps for all three areas, in substantially the same format and content
34 as Exhibits A-1, A-2 and A-3; and

35 WHEREAS, STA-1W, STA-3/4 and STA-5 will also be open for certain passive recreational uses,
36 such as bird watching, during the 2007 - 2008 waterfowl hunting season; and

37 WHEREAS, the FWC and the District will conduct an evaluation and coordination meeting no
38 later than 120 days after the close of the 2007 – 2008 waterfowl hunting season for the purpose of

39 assessing the consistency of the hunts and other types of public use with the restoration goals of the
40 Everglades Construction Project.

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42 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of the South Florida Water
43 Management District:

44 **Section 1.** The Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District hereby authorizes
45 the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to establish STA-1W, STA- 3/4 and STA-5 as
46 Public Small Game Hunting Areas, in accordance with Rule 68A-13.007, F.A.C., and to manage
47 waterfowl hunts and other passive recreational uses at STA-1W, STA-3/4 and STA-5 during the 2007 –
48 2008 waterfowl season, subject to the terms and conditions referenced hereinabove, including those
49 certain terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit A-1, A-2 and A-3 attached hereto, as updated by FWC for
50 the 2007 - 2008 waterfowl season.

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

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53 **PASSED** and **ADOPTED** this _____ day of June, 2007.

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56 **Legal Form Approved:**

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59 By: _____
60 Office of Counsel

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63 **SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT**
64 **ATTEST: DISTRICT, BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD**

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68 District Clerk/Secretary

By: _____
Chairman

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