

January 2006 Team of the Month

The following Clewiston Field Station Canal/Levee Crew exhibited outstanding efforts, focus and overall teamwork on the success of the restoration of the intake levees at S2, S-3 and S-4:

Crew Chief – Lloyd Brown	Kenny Wilcher	T. J. Horace	Norman Holligan
John Brown	David Rudd	Clayton Brown	Jason Parrish

The canal/levee crew at the Clewiston Field Station accomplished a project that has had immediate positive impacts on three of the lakeside pump stations (S-2, S-3, & S-4) for prevention of reoccurring erosion on the intake side of these three pump stations. The project of restoring the intake levees at these combined pump stations started on April 13, 2005 and was completed on August 29, 2005. The canal/levee crew repaired a cumulative total of 7,682 feet of levee for the restoration and to prevent further erosion by hauling a combined total of 2,795 yards of fill and 3,288 cubic yards of rock. The crew utilized a variety of pieces of heavy equipment to accomplish this project.

The expertise of the personnel and the operation of the project with the use of the backhoe long-arm, loader, and dump trucks made this project the first undertaken of its kind at the South Shore pump stations around Lake Okeechobee. The crew did a remarkable job on this project and the results will have lasting effects on the prevention of erosion for many decades to come.