

25 Years Service Recognition  
Tommy J. (T.J.) Horace – Excavation/Earthmoving Operator  
West Palm Beach Field Station – Operations & Maintenance

“TJ” as he is known to his friends, began his career with the District at the Clewiston Field Station on February 22, 1984, as Equipment Operator 1. Two years later he was promoted to Equipment Operator II, and in 1991 he was promoted to Equipment Operator III. On August 27, 1993, his title was changed to an Excavation/Earthmoving Operator which it remains today. “TJ” has recently transferred to the West Palm Beach Field Station.

“TJ” has attended many training programs during his 25 years service and has received many awards. One award stands out from the rest for which he was nick-named “*Superman*”. “TJ” received a letter of commendation on August 2, 1988, for the courage he demonstrated when he rescued a father and son from drowning in a District canal.

During many District responses to major storm events, “TJ” provided his heavy equipment expertise. Most recently, “TJ” worked on the Lake Okeechobee muck removal project where he completed his part on time and without incident. Prior to transferring to the West Palm Beach Canal / Levee crew, “TJ” assisted the West Palm Beach Field Station last summer in constructing the S-375 Diversion Channel in STA 1-E, and his efforts were integral in completing it on time and again without incident.

“TJ’s” dedication and dependability are a credit to him and this agency. May he enjoy continued success for the remainder of his tenure with us.