SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2006 _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) AND THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SFWMD) (COLLECTIVELY "THE AGENCIES").

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to encourage the voluntary creation/restoration of wetlands on agricultural lands within the Lake Okeechobee Watershed, and that portion of the Indian River Watershed within the SFWMD.

WHEREAS, the FDEP and the SFWMD have agreed that the future re-conversion of voluntarily created or restored wetlands to agricultural activities compatible with maintaining applicable water quality standards of receiving waters, will not be harmful to water resources and is not inconsistent with the overall objectives of the district.

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 approves the Memorandum of Understanding Among the State of Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the South Florida Water Management District, Contract Number, PR060350.

Section 2. A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this __ day of _____, 2006.

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD

By: _____

Kevin McCarty, Chair

ATTEST:

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District Clerk

Approved as to form:

BY: _____

Office of Counsel