

Appendix 5-8: STA Herbicide Application Summary for Water Year 2010

James Galloway

This appendix summarizes the herbicides applied to the Everglades Stormwater Treatment Areas 1 West, 1 East, 2, 3/4, 5, and 6 (STA-1E, STA-1W, STA-2, STA-3/4, STA-5, and STA-6) during Water Year 2010 (WY2010) (May 1, 2009–April 30, 2010). [Note that no pesticides were applied within the Everglades STAs during WY2010].

Floating aquatic vegetation in the STAs consists of water hyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*) and water lettuce (*Pistia stratiotes*) and is controlled using Reward®, a contact herbicide with diquat dibromide as the active ingredient.

Application Rate: Reward® is applied to floating aquatic vegetation at a rate of 1 quart per acre. The active ingredient, diquat dibromide, is approximately 37.3 percent of the pre-mixed solution of Reward®.

Application Certification Statement: The South Florida Water Management District ensures that all herbicide applications are carried out in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines. **Table 1** summarizes the total number of acres of vegetation treated and the volume of Reward® applied in each STA cell during WY2010.

Table 1. Floating aquatic vegetation in the Stormwater Treatment Areas (STAs) (in acres) treated with Reward® during Water Year 2010 (WY2010) (May 1, 2009–April 30, 2010).

| Cell | Number of Acres | Diquat (gallons) |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| STA-1W | | |
| 1A | 150 | 37 |
| 1B | 13 | 3.25 |
| 2A | 13 | 3 |
| 2B | 47 | 12 |
| 3 | 19 | 5 |
| 4 | 45 | 11.5 |
| 5A | 194 | 48 |
| 5B | 368 | 92 |
| STA-1E | | |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 14.5 | 3.5 |
| 4N | 180 | 45 |
| 4S | 34 | 8.5 |
| 5 | 111 | 28 |
| 6 | 305 | 77 |
| 7 | 119 | 30 |
| STA-2 | | |
| 1 | 29 | 7 |
| 2 | 315 | 78 |
| 3 | 267 | 66.75 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 |
| STA-3/4 | | |
| 1A | 305.5 | 76 |
| 1B | 0 | 0 |
| 2A | 103 | 25 |
| 2B | 5.2 | 1.5 |
| 3A | 63.5 | 16 |
| 3B | 0 | 0 |

Table 1. Continued.

| Cell | Number of Acres | Diquat (gallons) |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| STA-5 | | |
| 1A | 15 | 4 |
| 1B | 325 | 81 |
| 2A | 5.8 | 1 |
| 2B | 312 | 78 |
| 3A | 0 | 0 |
| 3B | 0 | 0 |
| STA-6 | | |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 51.5 | 13 |
| 3 | 2 | 0.5 |

Undesirable emergent vegetation found within the STAs consists of numerous species including cattail (*Typha* spp.), torpedograss (*Panicum repens*), paragrass (*Brachiaria mutica*), primrose willow (*Ludwigia peruviana*), banana waterlily (*Nymphaea mexicana Zucc.*), Brazilian pepper (*Schinus terebinthifolius*), Carolina willow (*Salix caroliniana*), and other species.

Application Rate: Cattails and grasses are most often controlled using the herbicide glyphosate at a rate of 6 pints to 7.5 pints per acre. Glyphosate represents 53.8 percent of the pre-mix solution. Carolina willow and banana lily are commonly controlled using imazapyr at a rate of 1 pint to 1 quart per acre. The active ingredient in the imazapyr herbicide represents 28.7 percent of the pre-mix solution. Brazilian pepper is controlled by basal bark treatment using a 10 percent triclopyr solution.

Hydrilla (*Hydrilla verticillata*) was treated in STA-5 in areas where it has colonized (mainly near boat ramps and inflow structures) to prevent it from spreading farther into the treatment cells. Treatments were carried out using granular pellets of Aquathol K, with endothal as the active ingredient.

Application Certification Statement: The South Florida Water Management District ensures that all herbicide applications are carried out in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines. **Tables 2** through **7** summarize the total number of acres of vegetation treated and the volume of each herbicide applied in each STA cell during WY2010.

Table 2. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-1W during WY2010.

| STA-1W | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) | Triclopyr (gallons) |
|---------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Cell 1A | 7.2 | 9 | 1.5 | 0 |
| Cell 1B | 143 | 205 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 2A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 2B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 3 | 78 | 0 | 20 | 0 |
| Cell 4 | 472 | 605 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 5A | 7.6 | 9 | 0 | 1 |
| Cell 5B | 196 | 31 | 41 | 0.6 |

Table 3. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-1E during WY2010.

| STA-1E | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) | Triclopyr (gallons) |
|---------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Cell1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 3 | 187.8 | 243 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 4N | 56 | 0 | 18 | 0 |
| Cell 4S | 36 | 0 | 4.8 | 0.5 |
| Cell 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 6 | 61 | 77 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Table 4. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-2 during WY2010.

| STA-2 | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) | Triclopyr (gallons) |
|--------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Cell1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1.5 |
| Cell 3 | 3.25 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 |
| Cell 4 | 141 | 64.5 | 14 | 0 |

Table 5. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-3/4 during WY2010.

| STA-3/4 | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) |
|---------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Cell1A | 8 | 0 | 1 |
| Cell 1B | 195 | 251 | 0 |
| Cell 2A | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 2B | 168 | 245 | 77.3 |
| Cell 3A | 34 | 0 | 8.2 |
| Cell 3B | 247 | 0 | 58 |

Table 6. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-5 during WY2010.

| STA-5 | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) | Aquathol K (lbs) |
|---------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Cell1A | 327 | 6 | 82 | 0 |
| Cell 1B | 46 | 33 | 5.5 | 0 |
| Cell 2A | 22 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Cell 2B | 97 | 141 | 0 | 3.5 |
| Cell 3A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cell 3B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Table 7. Acres of emergent vegetation treated in STA-6 during WY2010.

| STA-6 | Acres | Glyphosate (gallons) | Imazapyr (gallons) | Triclopyr (gallons) |
|-----------|-------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Section 2 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 1.5 |
| Cell 3 | 21.5 | 0 | 4.5 | 0 |
| Cell 5 | 22.8 | 0 | 4.8 | 0 |