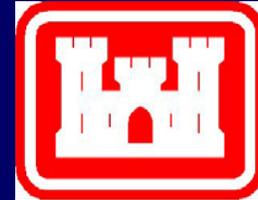


Kissimmee Chain of Lakes Long-Term Management Plan



SFWMD Governing Board Resolution No. 2003-468

- Adopted in April 2003
- Directs SFWMD staff to work with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other interested parties to develop a Long-Term Management Plan for Kissimmee Chain of Lakes

SFWMD Governing Board Resolution No. 2003-468 (Cont.)

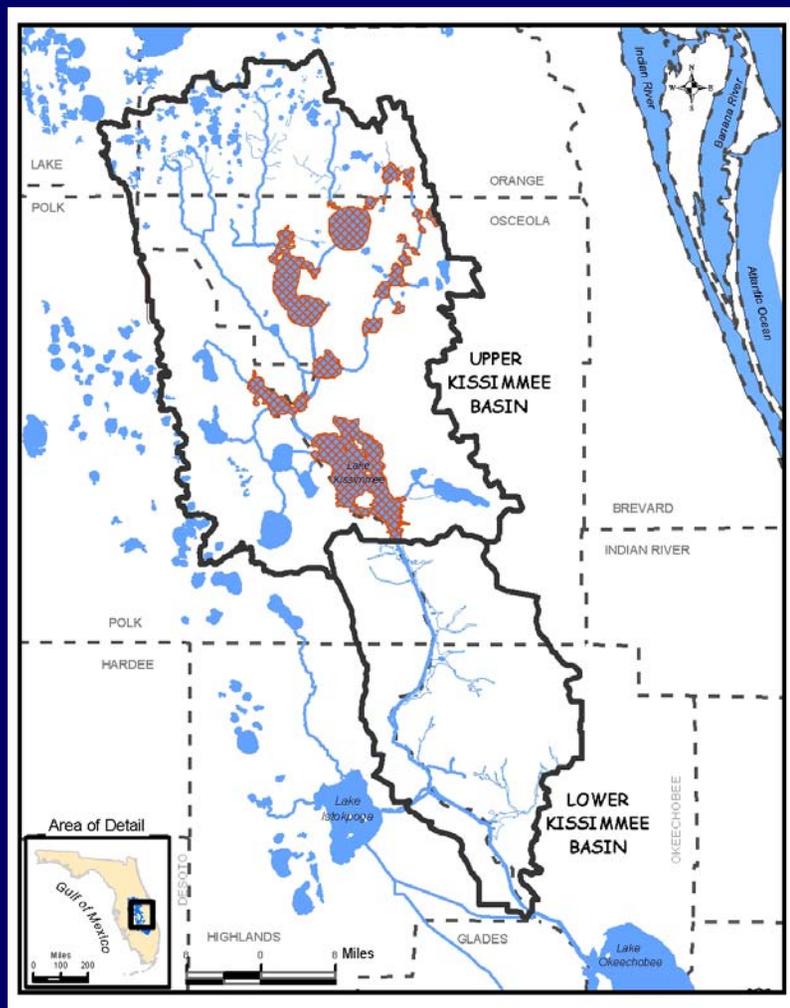
- Improve health and stability and sustainability of Kissimmee Chain of Lakes
- Consider downstream conditions & requirements in Kissimmee River and Lake Okeechobee

Goals

- Hydrologic Management
- Habitat Preservation & Enhancement
- Aquatic Plant Management
- Water Quality Improvement
- Recreation and Public Use



Geographic Scope – 19 Regulated Water Bodies in Upper Kissimmee Basin



Partner Agencies

- South Florida Water Management District
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection
- Florida Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Local governments and community leaders
- Other stakeholders (Audubon, public, and others)

Final Document to Contain the Following Key Products

- Scope and Goals
- Conceptual Ecological Model
- Baseline and Reference Conditions
- Assessment Performance Measures and Indicator Measures
- System Assessment
- Data Collection and Monitoring Plan
- Agency Action Plans

Examples of Assessment Performance Measures and Indicator Measures

- Performance Measures
 - Number of Bald Eagle Nests
 - Largemouth Bass Recruitment
 - Trophic State Index

- Indicator Measures
 - Palustrine Wetlands (area and distribution)
 - Apple Snails (density and distribution)



Remaining Schedule

