SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROGRAM
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SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION TASK FORCE

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- Improve the health of 2.4 million acres of south Florida ecosystem, including Lake Okeechobee
- Large-scale watershed (18K square miles)
- Federal lands of national importance
  ➤ Everglades and Dry Tortugas National Park
  ➤ Biscayne Bay National Park
  ➤ Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge
  ➤ Big Cypress National Preserve
- Flood risk management and water supply for 9 million residents
- 70 Federally-listed threatened and endangered species
- Robust agricultural, recreational, and tourism industries
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- Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) FY22
  - At $1.1B, the largest single investment in Everglades restoration

- FY 22 Omnibus Bill
  - South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Construction - $350M
  - South Florida Ecosystem Restoration O&M - $8.95M
  - C&SF Section 216 Infrastructure Resiliency Study - $500,000

- FY 23 President’s Budget
  - South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Construction - $407M
  - South Florida Ecosystem Restoration O&M - $10.67M
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KISSLIMMEE RIVER RESTORATION RIBBON CUTTING | JULY 2021