



Everglades Coalition

1000 Friends of Florida
 Arthur R. Marshall Foundation
 Audubon of Florida
 Audubon Society of the Everglades
 Audubon of Southwest Florida
 Caloosahatchee River Citizens
 Association/ Riverwatch
 Clean Water Action
 Clean Water Network
 Collier County Audubon Society
 Conservancy of Southwest Florida
 Defenders of Wildlife
 Ding Darling Wildlife Society
 Earthjustice
 Environment Florida
 The Environmental Coalition
 Everglades Coordinating Council
 Everglades Foundation
 Everglades Law Center
 Florida Conservation Alliance
 Florida Defenders of the Environment
 Florida Keys Environmental Fund
 Florida Native Plant Society
 Florida Oceanographic Society
 Florida Wildlife Federation
 Friends of the Arthur R. Marshall
 Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge
 Friends of the Everglades
 Hendry Glades Audubon Society
 Izaak Walton League Florida Division
 Izaak Walton League Florida Keys
 Chapter
 Izaak Walton League Mangrove Chapter
 Izaak Walton League of America
 Last Stand
 League of Women Voters of Florida
 Loxahatchee River Coalition
 Martin County Conservation Alliance
 National Audubon Society
 National Parks Conservation Association
 National Wildlife Federation
 National Wildlife Refuge Association
 Natural Resources Defense Council
 The Ocean Conservancy
 The Pegasus Foundation
 Sanibel-Captiva
 Conservation Foundation
 Save It Now, Glades!
 Sierra Club
 Sierra Club Broward Group
 Sierra Club Calusa Group
 Sierra Club Central Florida Group
 Sierra Club Florida Chapter
 Sierra Club Loxahatchee Group
 Sierra Club Miami Group
 The Snook and Gamefish Foundation
 South Florida Audubon Society
 Tropical Audubon Society
 The Urban Environment League
 World Wildlife Fund

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CENTRAL EVERGLADES PLANNING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Everglades Coalition is committed to protecting lands critical to the future of Florida’s environment, drinking water, economy, recreation, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Everglades ecosystem has continued to decline in the face of restoration delays and an expedited solution is needed to increase the quality, quantity, timing and distribution of freshwater flows into the central Everglades, Everglades National Park and Florida and Biscayne Bay; and

WHEREAS, increased deliveries of water south of Lake Okeechobee will reduce damaging discharges to the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie estuaries; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP) is to significantly reduce planning times and deliver a finalized plan, for a suite of restoration projects in the central Everglades within 18 months,

WHEREAS, the ecological goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) include increasing the total spatial extent of natural area, improving habitat and functional quality, and improving native plant & animal species abundance & diversity:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Everglades Coalition supports the completion of a project implementation report (PIR) through the CEPP using CERP adaptive management protocols by May 2013 that addresses key obstacles for restoring freshwater flows and implements meaningful ecological and economic benefits toward restoring America’s Everglades.

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