



Everglades Coalition

1000 Friends of Florida
Arthur R. Marshall Foundation
Audubon
Audubon Florida
Audubon of the Everglades
Audubon of Southwest Florida
Audubon of the Western Everglades
Caloosahatchee River Citizens
Association / Riverwatch
Center for Biological Diversity
Clean Water Action
Conservancy of Southwest Florida
Defenders of Wildlife
"Ding" Darling Wildlife Society
Earthjustice
Environment Florida
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 National Wildlife Refuge
Friends of the Everglades
Hendry Glades Audubon Society
Institute for Regional Conservation
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
Miami Waterkeeper
National Parks Conservation Association
National Wildlife Federation
National Wildlife Refuge Association
Natural Resources Defense Council
Ocean Research & Conservation Association
Reef Relief
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
Snook and Gamefish Foundation
South Florida Audubon Society
Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
Tropical Audubon Society
The Urban Environment League of
Greater Miami

Congressman Clawson
228 Cannon House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20515

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RE: Thank You for Your Support of America's Everglades

Dear Congressman Clawson:

On behalf of the 57 organizations of the Everglades Coalition committed to the full protection and restoration of America's Everglades, we wish to convey our appreciation of your recent efforts to support the Everglades in H.R. 2822.

The Everglades Coalition would like to sincerely thank you for introducing two amendments to increase funding for US Fish and Wildlife resource management and to the National Park Service for Everglades National Park. Your efforts are very much appreciated to bring much-needed additional resources to these agencies for the protection of our water and land here in Florida.

We understand the need to be fiscally neutral. We do hope in future instances that such resources can be obtained without negatively impacting EPA's budget, which also directly benefits the Everglades in supporting the restoration of water quality throughout the Greater Everglades system. Since Everglades restoration requires investment in improvements to both water quality and restoration of flows, as well as land management, increasing financial support on all fronts to all the federal agencies involves (USFWS, NPS, EPA) is necessary if we are to be successful in our restoration efforts.

The Everglades Coalition greatly appreciates your leadership in supporting the protection and restoration of the Everglades and our precious water resources in Florida. We commend your efforts and look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff towards our shared goal of restoring America's Everglades now and for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Cara Capp

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National Co-Chair

Jason Totoiu
State Co-Chair

Committed to full protection and restoration of America's Everglades