

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Drew Bartlett, Executive Office

DATE: February 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Response to Governor DeSantis' Executive Order Number 23-06 (Achieving *Even More* Now for Florida's Environment)

Agenda Item Background:

On January 10, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Order 23-06: Achieving *Even More* Now for Florida's Environment, and this agenda item provides an overview of the District's approach to support the implementation of the order. It lays out the State of Florida's plan to advance the protection of Florida's environment and water quality. In addition, the order calls for \$3.5 billion in state investment over four years for Everglades restoration and the protection of Florida's water resources. The order also provides several directives to the District including expediting District-led Everglades restoration projects, working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to advance projects efforts, and reporting the progress of USACE projects to the Governing Board. District staff have identified opportunities to achieve even more now for America's Everglades and will review these approaches with the Governing Board.

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