### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Governing Board Members

**FROM:** , Field Operations Division

**DATE:** June 9, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Flood Awareness Month (Staff contact, Carolina Maran and Rich Virgil)

# Agenda Item Background:

June is Flood Awareness Month. The District operates and maintains the regional water management system known as the Central and Southern Florida Project, which was authorized by Congress more than 60 years ago to protect residents and businesses from floods and droughts. This primary system of canals and natural waterways connects to community drainage districts and hundreds of smaller neighborhood systems to effectively manage floodwaters during heavy rain.

As a result of this interconnected drainage system, flood control in South Florida is a shared responsibility between the District, county and city governments, local drainage districts, homeowner associations and residents. This presentation will highlight the efforts of the District's hard-working staff to operate and maintain the district's flood protection system throughout its 16 counties. No Governing Board action is required.

# **Core Mission and Strategic Priorities:**

# **Funding Source:**

# **Staff Contact and/or Presenter:**

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#### **ATTACHMENTS:**