

2023 Legislative Priorities

Funding Priorities

- ✓ **Support** inclusion of at least \$322 million in the State's budget for Everglades restoration projects
- ✓ **Support** continued funding and timely completion of the C43 Reservoir
- ✓ **Support** the City of Naples funding request of \$10 million for the Naples Gulf of Mexico Beach Stormwater Outfall Pipe Removal & Water Quality Project
- ✓ **Support** funding for Florida Forever and to secure the Florida Wildlife Corridor
- ✓ **Support** funding for the Picayune Strand Restoration Project Southwest Protection Feature Water Quality Treatment component
- ✓ **Support** funding for additional water quality monitoring and transparency in reporting water quality results



Policy Priorities

- ✓ **Support** implementation of the Blue-Green Algae Task Force recommendations
- ✓ **Support** legislation to fill in the gaps that currently exist in water quality testing, reporting, and public information (similar to the proposed 2022 Safe Waterways Act)
- ✓ **Oppose** preemption and **support** local government home rule authority to implement policies more stringent than state standards, such as more stringent local fertilizer ordinances
- ✓ **Support** legislation removing the harmful fee shifting provision from Florida Statutes Ch. 163.3215, which has had a chilling effect on the public's ability to defend local comprehensive plans through challenging inconsistent developments
- ✓ **Support** reinstatement of a meaningful statewide planning agency (Department of Community Affairs) to review and enforce comprehensive plans

