Florida Sugarcane Farmers South of Lake Okeechobee are 100% Committed to Clean Water

It’s Time to Take a Hard Look at the Truth about Our Water Issues

What We’ve Done

- Re-directed water from farms south of Lake Okeechobee (Northern EAA) so all runoff flows south
- Changed farming practices: GPS leveling of fields, maintaining extensive sediment controls, and holding water to reduce runoff
- Cleaned every drop of water flowing off our farms and reduced the phosphorus by an annual average of 57% since 1996 (more than double the 25% required reduction)
- Helped fund the construction of 60,000 acres of stormwater treatment areas, to further clean farm, lake, and suburban runoff
- Invested millions into restoration, research and on-farm water and soil management efforts
- Provided more than 200 square miles (120,000 acres) of farmland for water projects, including the land on which the EAA Reservoir will be constructed

These have resulted in nearly 95% of the 2.5 million acres of Everglades achieving the 10 parts per billion phosphorus standard – the cleanest in our lifetime