## LOXAHATCHEE RIVER WATERSHED LOCAL PDT ALTERNATIVE



PRESENTATION TO
WATER RESOURCES TASK FORCE
PALM BEACH COUNTY

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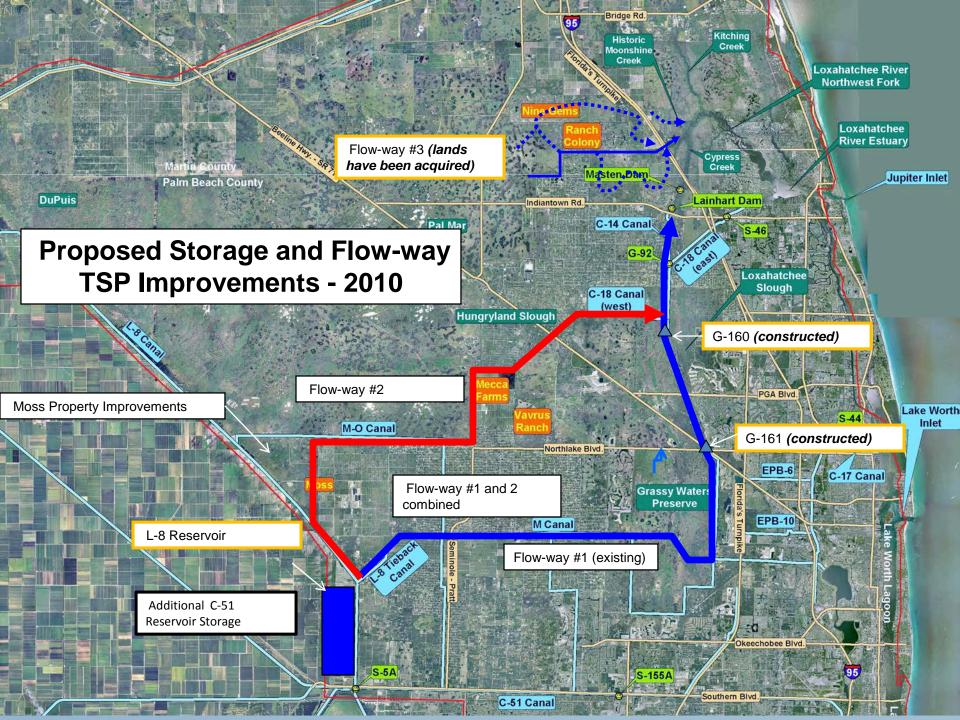
## **2015 Local Regional Goals**

Provide Restoration Flows to Loxahatchee River

Enhancement of Loxahatchee Slough

- Reduce Freshwater flows to Lake Worth Lagoon
- Enhance Water Supply for Various Utilities

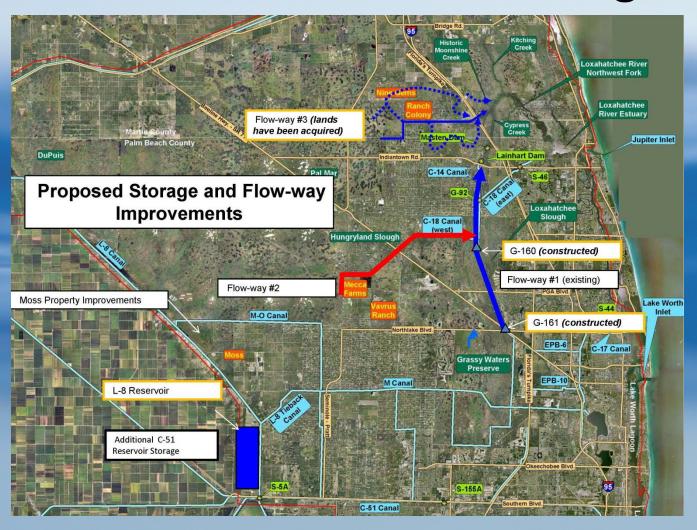
Better Flood Protection for Western Communities





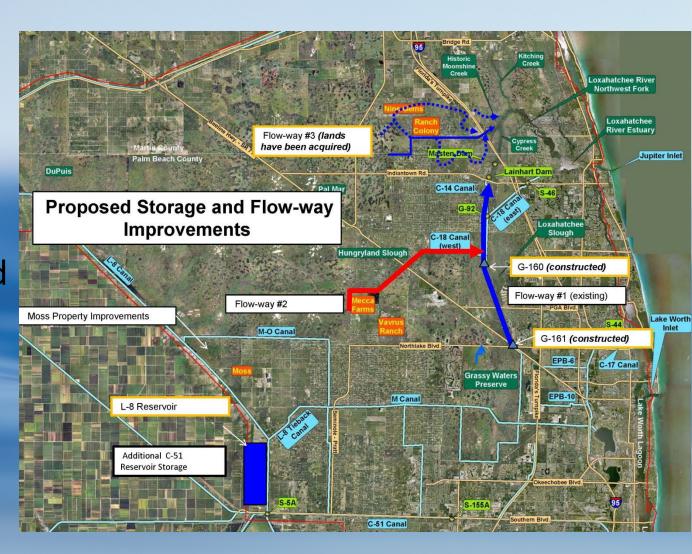
### **2015 Corps Goals**

- 1. Restoration Flows to Lox River
- 2. Enhancement of Lox Slough



#### **Favored PDT Alternative Components**

- Partial Use of Flow-way 2 Only
- MeccaImpoundment
- ASR Wells used for Deep Water Storage
- C-18 Canal used for Conveyance





### **Key Concerns with Current Goals**

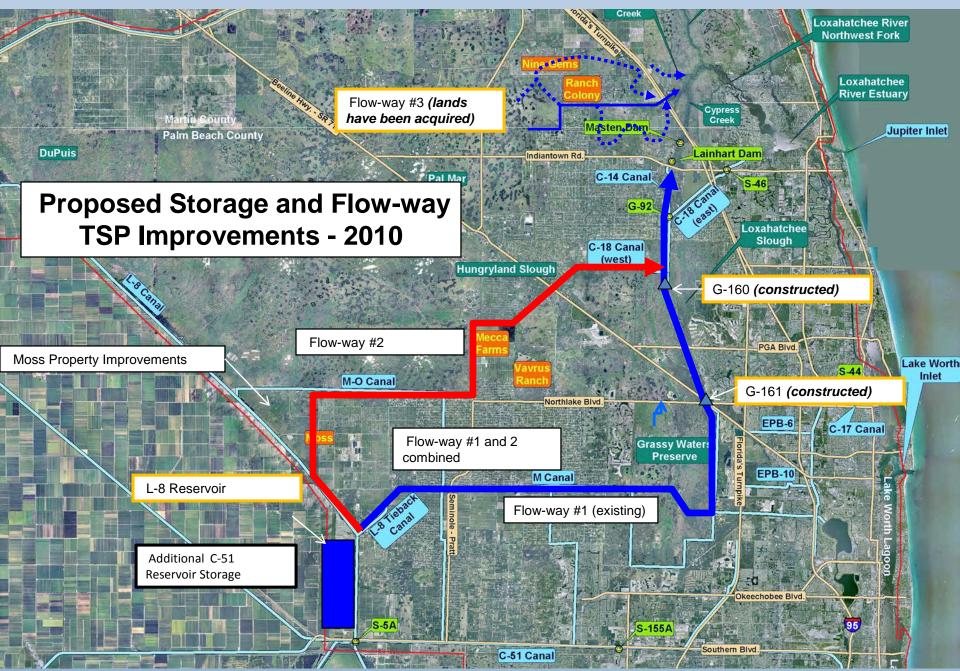
- Insufficient Funding for Flow-ways 1 & 2
- Possible Impacts to Utilities Using ASR
- ASR... A Good Option?
- **➤** Unproven Technology (at this location & volume)
- > Loxahatchee River won't meet Restoration Flows
- > Lake Worth Lagoon still receives too much freshwater
- ➤ Water Supply is not enhanced
- > Flood Protection not improved

# Local Alternative Plan Study Components

- Use C-51 Reservoir as Deep Water Storage
- Utilize Control 2 Pump Station
- Use Flow-way 1 For Conveyance
- New Pump Station and Force Main Along East GWP Border (if necessary)
- Eliminate Flows from Lake Okeechobee Through L-8
   Canal to LW Lagoon
- Conveyance South From Flow-way 1 to C-51 Canal via LWDD E-1 Canal to LWDD System



#### Which Takes Us Back to 2010





## Loxahatchee River Watershed Stakeholders Conclusions

- 1. Alternative should be a Locally Preferred Option with SFWMD as Lead Agency
- 2. Alternative Components critical to meeting Loxahatchee River MFL & Restoration flows
- 3. Flow-way 1 & 2 will be beneficial to Water Supply, Lake Worth Lagoon Water Quality, and Flood Protection
- 4. Local & State Governments should pursue funding through grants, cooperative funding, and partnerships



### **Funding Options**

- Cooperative Federal Funding (if part of federal project)
- SFWMD
  - If designated as pilot project under SB 552 Water Policy Bill
  - Cooperative Funding: \$9 million available
- Local Government Sources
  - Ad valorem
  - Utility Revenue (C-51 component subject to allocation agreements and CUP modifications)



## **Funding Options**

#### State

- \$3 million for C-51 in current budget
- Projects to benefit Lake Worth Lagoon recognized in the Report of the Select Committee for Indian River Lagoon (as is C-51)
- LATF (Amendment 1 funding)
- Water Projects
- Section 319 Grants for Select Components