



**A holistic approach to addressing
water management and water quality
issues in the Lake Okeechobee
Watershed**

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Workshop Conclusions

- Serious rehabilitation work has been underway since the late 1970s
- Water quality and water management issues persist
- Progress on control of exotics
- 1989 SWIM Plan was first of a series of plans addressing water quality and management

Workshop Summary

- 2001 Phosphorus TMDL
- Phase II Technical Plan (2/08) provides the framework for achieving goals
- Plan includes
 - CERP Components
 - Regulatory programs
 - BMP Implementation (urban & ag)
 - Construction of regional facilities
 - Innovative partnerships with farmers