

# WATER WATCH

*Keeping an Eye on Water Resources*

## District-Wide Conditions for November 18, 2015

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is issuing the following briefing:

A stalled frontal boundary helped to focus rain across dry areas along South Florida's east coast this week. This included rainfall relief for key areas such as the Water Conservation Areas. More rain is expected during the next few days.

The Upper Kissimmee Basin, which received negligible rainfall, and portions of the Southwest Coast and East Caloosahatchee basins, received the least amount of rainfall in the District during the past week.

Water Levels in Key Locations (Nov. 18)		
Location	Today's level (NGVD29)	Water Supply Floor
WCA-1	17.00 feet	14.00 feet
WCA-2A	12.56 feet	10.50 feet
WCA-3A	10.13 feet	7.50 feet

### Water Conservation is Essential

- South Florida is under the District's Year-Round Landscape Irrigation Rule, which limits residential and business landscape irrigation to two or three days per week.
  - To determine watering days and times in your area, contact your local government or visit [www.sfwmd.gov/2days](http://www.sfwmd.gov/2days).
- Permitted water users such as nurseries, agriculture, golf courses and utilities can find water use conditions in their permits online at [www.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting](http://www.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting).
- For tips and information about water conservation, visit [www.sfwmd.gov/conserv](http://www.sfwmd.gov/conserv).

### Lake Okeechobee Operations

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers manages Lake Okeechobee water levels based on its regulation schedule.
- Corps water managers prefer to maintain water levels between 12.5 feet and 15.5 feet.
  - The most recent Operational Position Statement is available at [www.sfwmd.gov/opsreports](http://www.sfwmd.gov/opsreports).

Lake Okeechobee Levels	
Today (Nov. 18)	14.27 feet
This Date One Year Ago	15.62 feet

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