



SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

MEDIA ADVISORY

February 7, 2013

CONTACT:

Rochelle Gilken

South Florida Water Management District

Office: (561) 682-2800 or Cellular: (561) 670-1890

www.sfwmd.gov/news

follow us on 

SFWMD Provides Expertise to Student Competition

High school students compete in Envirothon, an environmental education competition

WHAT: The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is participating with the Environmental Education Council of Broward County in the regional Envirothon, the nation's largest environmental education competition for high school students.

The annual Envirothon is a problem-solving, natural resource education competition in which teams of students develop answers to oral and written questions and participate in hands-on activities to demonstrate their knowledge. SFWMD technical staff will host the aquatic ecology portion of the competition, quizzing students on topics that scientists deal with daily, such as identifying the type of nutrients in the Everglades or how to measure dissolved oxygen.

For the first time this year, competitors from Broward, Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties will all be combined in one event. Participating schools include six teams from Palm Beach, six teams from Broward and six teams from Miami-Dade counties. The team that wins the regional competition will qualify for the state competition and potentially move on to national competition.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 12, 2013

TIME: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: Broward College - North Campus
1000 Coconut Creek Boulevard
Coconut Creek, FL 33066

#

About the South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District is a regional, governmental agency that oversees the water resources in the southern half of the state – 16 counties from Orlando to the Keys. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. The agency mission is to manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply. A key initiative is cleanup and restoration of the Everglades.