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## PHOTO RELEASE

### Governor Rick Scott Attends L-8 FEB Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



**LOXAHATCHEE, Fla.** – Today, Governor Rick Scott attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the L-8 Flow Equalization Basin, a major restoration project completed as part of the Governor's \$880 million Everglades water quality plan. Since Governor Scott has been in office, more than \$1.8 billion has been invested by the State of Florida in restoring the Everglades.

To continue protecting Florida's world-class beaches, award-winning and nationally acclaimed state parks, renowned springs and iconic Everglades, Governor Scott's Securing Florida's Future budget

proposes more than \$3.8 billion, including a record \$355 million for the following Everglades restoration related projects:

- \$32 million in recurring state funding that is part of the Governor's \$880 million Everglades water quality plan;
- \$173.8 million for Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan projects, including the C-43 Reservoir and land acquisition required to move additional projects forward;
- \$36 million for dispersed water management and public private partnerships to provide additional water storage;
- \$64 million to the South Florida Water Management District for the EAA Reservoir (Senate Bill 10); and
- \$50 million to accelerate repairs to the federally-operated Herbert Hoover Dike.

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