

Committee of the Islands
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Since 1975



Florida Residents, Property Owners & Visitors

TIME IS RUNNING OUT ...

**Help Save Our Waterways
and All That We Love!**

Take Action Today with a "Click!" Here's Why ...

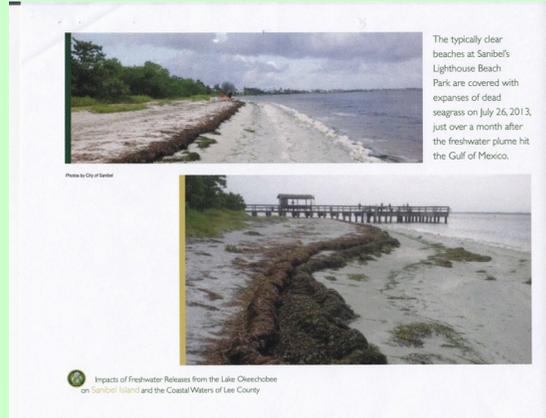
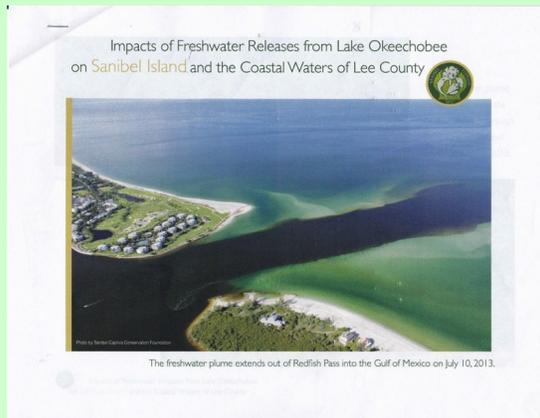
The State of Florida legislature has until **May 1st** to approve the funding to exercise an option to purchase 46,800 acres from US Sugar - lands critical to Everglades restoration, preservation of our estuary and to stopping the agricultural pollution into the Gulf of Mexico.

That's LESS Than a Month away and it Does NOT look good. While 75% of the voters said "Yes" to do this, the state legislature is saying "well, ... maybe not" to the funding that is needed.

Remember the polluted water released from Lake

Okeechobee in the summer of 2013 that turned our Bays and Gulf an awful brown & caused Red Algae on our beaches?

Sea plants died, then small fish, then large fish left, then pelicans and dolphins. These waters are our way of life and theirs!



Act now, while there is time. We only have until **May 1st** to persuade the legislature and the governor to approve the funding.

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Join others in this campaign to have the State Legislature and Governor approve ENOUGH funds for this purchase.

Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane and the City Council passed a resolution in support of the Everglades Land Purchase.

SCCF, Everglades Foundation, Florida Audubon Society, Florida Coastal and Ocean Coalition, Everglades Coalition, Florida Board of Relators, Lee and Collier Counties, League of Florida Cities and other organizations

have been working hard in support of
the purchase of the EAA lands before the
US Sugar Contract expires on October 1st, 2015.

It is so very, very important! Please add your Voice to this ...
Help Save Florida's Water, Wildlife and Way of Life.

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Want to learn More? This short animated video by the
Everglades Trust explains this complex water issue in a
wonderful, informative way - [Watch Video](#)

Thank you for your concern and decisive action.

David Bath

President, COTI

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***PS: Please forward this message to your friends
in Florida and beyond!***

**[Please JOIN COTI](#) to support our mission.
Help Keep Sanibel Special for future generations!**

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Membership is only \$35 for an individual and \$50 for a family.

COTI was founded in 1975 by those who helped Sanibel incorporate as an independent, self-governing city within Lee County. Guided by the mission of those founders, we seek to ensure the continuity of good local government, to protect the environment, and to preserve the sanctuary character of our barrier island community.



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