

COUNTY COALITION

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT UPDATE

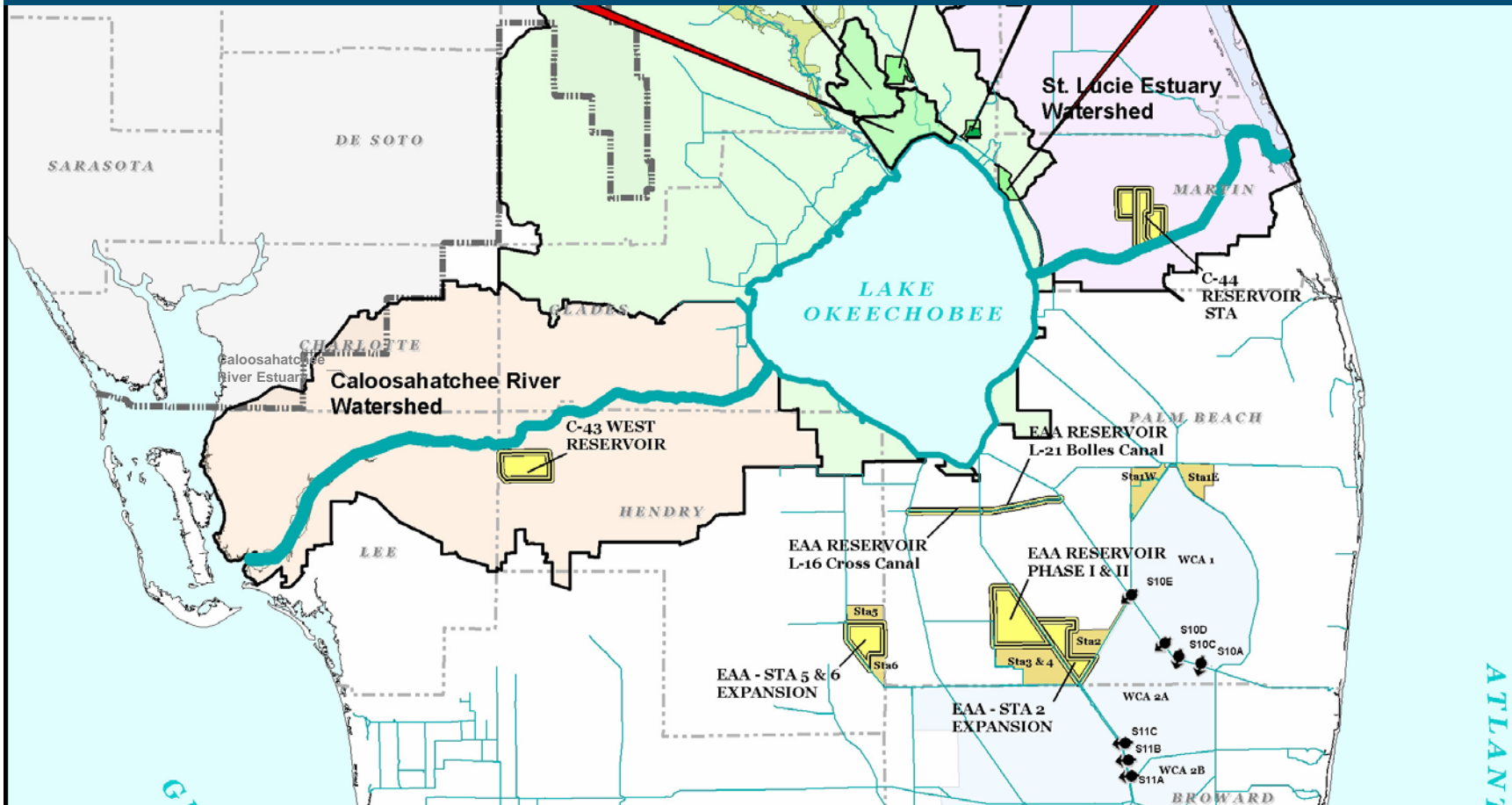
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CALOOSAHAATCHEE RIVER (C-43) WEST BASIN STORAGE RESERVOIR

C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir



- Reduces basin demands on Lake Okeechobee
- Provides 13% of the total 1.3 million ac-ft of reservoir storage in the CERP
- Uses Incremental Adaptive Restoration approach
- One of the ACCELER8 projects (a major boost for Everglades restoration)

C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Project Goals

- **Restore Ecosystem Function to the Caloosahatchee River & Estuary**
 - **Improve quantity and timing of freshwater flows to the Caloosahatchee Estuary**
 - **Improve salinity balance in the Caloosahatchee Estuary**
 - **Improve spatial extent & habitat function for estuarine biota**
 - **Increase plant & animal diversity & abundance in the estuary**
- **Enhance economic values and social well being**
 - **Provide recreational, tourism and environmental education opportunities**

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Anticipated Implementation Schedule

- Draft PIR/EIS in Federal Register Apr 2007
- Final PIR submitted to HQ/SAD Jul 2007
- Civil Works Review Board Aug 2007
- Final PIR in Federal Register Sep 2007
- Chief's Report Jan 2008
- Record of Decision expected Feb 2008
- Project Cooperation Agreement Aug 2009