



# Everglades Coalition

## RESOLUTION

1000 Friends of Florida  
 Arthur R. Marshall Foundation  
 Audubon of Florida  
 Audubon of Southwest Florida  
 Audubon Society of the Everglades  
 Broward County Audubon Society  
 Caloosahatche River Citizens Association  
 Clean Water Action  
 Clean Water Network  
 Collier County Audubon Society  
 The Conservancy of Southwest Florida  
 Defenders of Wildlife  
 Earthjustice  
 Everglades Law Center  
 The Environmental Coalition  
 Everglades Coordinating Council  
 Environment Florida  
 Florida Defenders of the Environment  
 Florida Division of the Izaak Walton League of America  
 Florida Keys Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America  
 Florida Keys Environmental Fund  
 Florida Native Plant Society  
 Florida Oceanographic Society  
 Florida Sierra Club  
 Florida Wildlife Federation  
 Friends of Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge  
 Friends of the Everglades  
 Izaak Walton League of America  
 Last Stand  
 League of Woman Voters of Florida  
 Loxahatchee River Coalition  
 Mangrove Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America  
 Martin County Conservation Alliance  
 National Audubon Society  
 National Parks Conservation Association  
 National Wildlife Federation  
 Natural Resources Defense Council  
 The Ocean Conservancy  
 The Pegasus Foundation  
 Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation  
 Save It Now, Glades!  
 Sierra Club  
 Sierra Club Broward Group  
 Sierra Club Central Florida Group  
 Sierra Club Loxahatchee Group  
 Sierra Club Miami Group  
 Tropical Audubon Society  
 The Urban Environment League  
 World Wildlife Fund

**A RESOLUTION OF THE EVERGLADES COALITION URGING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO OPPOSE ANY EXTENSION TO THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOUDARY AT THE PRESENT TIME, AND TO ENCOURAGE ADHERENCE TO THE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN AS CURRENTLY ADOPTED.**

**WHEREAS**, recognizes that the Everglades and neighboring communities are impacted significantly by Miami-Dade County’s Planning, Zoning, and County Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP) policy; and


**WHEREAS**, the Everglades Coalition is aware that Miami-Dade County is under increasing pressure to extend the Urban Development Boundary (UDB) further south and west, in order to allow greater, and sometimes more intense, development activity to occur; and


**WHEREAS**, the extension of the UDB at this time is premature and will have significant negative impacts in Miami-Dade County, including increased traffic, inadequately funded or unfunded increased costs for the provision of potable water, wastewater, storm water, schools, parks and open space, and county and municipal services, including police, fire, and social services; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County is enduring a multi-year drought and related water shortages impacting the existing community and complicating Everglades Restoration which could be further complicated with additional loss of open space, agricultural areas, and wetlands for aquifer recharge;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Everglades Coalition resolves and opposes any change to the Urban Development Boundary at this time, and urges Miami-Dade County to do the same, for the reasons outlined above.

BE IT SO RESOLVED, on March 31, 2008

  
 Sara Fain  
 National Co-Chair

  
 Mark D. Perry  
 State Co-Chair