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The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart  
United States House of Representatives  
328 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Diaz-Balart:

Please accept our thanks for your very hard and effective work in getting very good language on the Mod Waters and Tamiami Trail projects included in Conference Report Statement of Managers on the Water Resources Development Act of 2007.

We believe this language provides a good framework for completing the Mod Waters project in a timely manner and for moving forward on the Tamiami Trail project that will restore natural flows and connectivity through the Park and to Florida Bay in a manner which will not conflict with the Mod Waters project.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with your staff, especially Ms. Lauren Robitaille, on this and many other issues.

Sincerely,

(Signatures waived in order to expedite delivery.)

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