

Mahoney Succeeds in Vote to Override WRDA Veto

Mahoney Calls the Override "A Tremendous Victory for Florida"

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(Washington, D.C.) - Congressman Tim Mahoney (FL-16) today helped pass an override of President Bush's veto of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) in the U.S. House. The WRDA bill will authorize \$1.82 billion for Everglades Restoration and \$1.5 million for the Herbert Hoover Dike.

"This is a tremendous victory for Florida. I urge my colleagues in the Senate to take the last step necessary to override the President's veto and make this critical and long overdue investment in our nation's infrastructure. Tonight on an overwhelmingly bipartisan basis the voice of the American people was heard. For the first time in seven years the Everglades, Herbert Hoover Dike, and water infrastructure throughout the nation are being made a priority. This is the first step to seeing our children swimming again in the Indian River Lagoon," said Congressman Tim Mahoney.

The Senate must also vote to override the President's veto for WRDA to become law. Congress has not passed a WRDA bill since the year 2000.

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