

June 20, 2007

Chairman Ray Judah
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Dear Chairman Judah:

On behalf of the Rivers Coalition, I am writing to express our disappointment and concern with the County Coalition's resolution 2007-3.

It is absolutely critical that conveyance of water southward be included in the research and development of future projects to better manage the movement of water in south Florida.

With public safety at risk due to the condition of the Herbert Hoover dike, the demands placed on usage due to development and agriculture and the degradation of the natural environment of Lake Okeechobee and the estuaries, it would be negligent at best not to keep all options and proposals, including conveyance south, open for consideration. Our water resources plan for the next decade must include this.

Therefore, the Rivers Coalition, representing 48 organizations and over 200,000 individuals, formally requests that the County Coalition include and support the Plan 6 concept as a viable option.

Sincerely,

Leon Abood, Chairman