



A pump station is part of the Everglades Construction Project.

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We are in partnership with the Army Corps of Engineers in the Jacksonville District to manage the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, a 30-year series of flood control, water preservation and Everglades restoration projects that will cost about \$8 billion in 2003 dollars.

We needed a system that would allow us to co-manage and co-plan projects between our two locations. We also needed to get actual costs from our legacy systems for things like accounting, financial and reporting systems.

We have a very sophisticated planning process with a tightly-woven work breakdown structure. We have lots of key people working in both locations, as well as contractors from the design and construction disciplines, and we needed to have everybody on the same page.

We began to implement Primavera Engineering & Construction about two years ago, first designing the configuration document and then the work breakdown structure — and then we started actually working on it. We originally started with version 2.0 and are currently operating on 4.0.

It absolutely has been a worthwhile investment. Once we got onto the first project, we said, 'the whole organization ought to be on it.' Today, we have standardized on the product, and all SFWMD projects being planned will use Primavera Engineering & Construction. •