



## **Florida Governor Visits C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Project for Groundbreaking Event**

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**CHESHIRE, CT** – The Southern Florida C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir project, valued at \$524 million and being constructed by joint venture partners Lane Construction and its parent company Salini Impregilo, officially broke ground marking a significant milestone for a critical component of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP). Florida’s Governor Ron DeSantis was in attendance and was joined by members of the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), as well as conservation groups, local community leaders, and other environmental stakeholders.

“This is a big step forward in expediting one of our most important Everglades restoration projects,” said Governor DeSantis. “Once complete, the C-43 Reservoir will store approximately 55 billion gallons of water, with 19 miles of embankments and 15 miles of canals to reduce harmful discharges from Lake Okeechobee and help bring the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary back to health.”

Over the years, the Caloosahatchee Estuary has been suffering due to impacts to natural water flows caused by residential and agricultural development in the area. The Reservoir project will promote a healthy biological system through capture and controlled release of water – reducing the amount of freshwater flows to the estuary from basin runoff from the lake during wet periods and helping maintain a desirable minimum flow of fresh water to the estuary during dry periods.

“Lane has worked in the state of Florida for decades and we are proud to be part of this very important effort to help preserve the Everglades. We take our environmental commitments as a company very seriously anywhere we work, and to be part of one of the largest hydrologic restoration programs ever in the United States is an honor,” said Dyelan Phillips, Vice President of Florida Operations for Lane.

Work on the reservoir includes constructing an earth-fill dam with a perimeter of approximately 16.3 miles and a separator dam of 2.8 miles in length. The reservoir will encompass approximately 10,000 acres and store 170,000 acre-feet of water when full. Work is expected to be completed in 2024.

### **About Lane Construction**

The Lane Construction Corporation is one of America’s leading construction companies, specializing in large, complex civil infrastructure. For nearly 130 years, it has contributed to the



development of the country's vast network of roads, highways, and bridges, including the Interstate Highway System. Lane also specializes in tunnels, metro and railway systems, as well as airports and water and wastewater treatment plants. Lane is a pioneer in the use of design-build and public-private partnership methods of project delivery. Its main projects include the I-10 Corridor Express Lanes in California; the I-395 Express Lanes Extension in Virginia; the Unionport Bridge Replacement in Bronx, New York; the Purple Line Transit Systems in Maryland; and the Anacostia River Tunnel in Washington, D.C. Based in Cheshire, Connecticut, it is wholly owned by Salini Impregilo, a global infrastructure group. For more information, visit [www.laneconstruct.com](http://www.laneconstruct.com). For more details about its parent company, visit [www.salini-impregilo.com](http://www.salini-impregilo.com).

### **About the Salini Impregilo Group**

Salini Impregilo is one of the major global players in the construction of large, complex civil infrastructure. For five years it has been ranked No. 1 in the water infrastructure sector by Engineering News-Record (ENR) and as of 2018 has achieved ranking in the Top Ten of the Top Environmental Firms. It is also a leader in the transport infrastructure sector, being involved in major sustainable mobility projects in rail and metro systems around the world. It has successfully built some of the world's most iconic projects: bridges, roads and motorways, civil and industrial buildings, and airports. The Group has 113 years of engineering experience on five continents, with design, engineering and construction operations in nearly 50 countries and more than 35,000 employees from over 100 nationalities. It is a signatory of the United Nations Global Compact as it pursues the sustainable development goals of its clients, from clean water and energy to sustainable mobility to buildings with a low environmental impact. Its expertise is displayed in projects such as the Grand Paris Express metro system, Cityringen in Copenhagen, Sydney Metro Northwest, Red Line North Underground in Doha and Line 3 of the Riyadh Metro. Other projects include the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Rogun hydroelectric dam in Tajikistan, the Anacostia River and Northeast Boundary tunnels in Washington, D.C. and the Al Bayt 2022 World Cup stadium in Qatar. In 2018, new orders totalled €6.0 billion, with a total backlog reaching €33.4 billion. Salini Impregilo Group is headquartered in Italy and is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (Borsa Italiana: SAL; Reuters: SALI.MI; Bloomberg: SAL:IM).