## Major Land Resource Area 156A Florida Everglades and Associated Areas

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## **Ecological site keys**

## **MLRA 156A Florida Everglades and Associated Areas**

- I. Landform: Terrestrial Marine Terraces
  - A. Ecoregion: Big Cypress
    - Dominant Drainage Class: Poorly Drained
      Geomorphic Position: Flats, Flatwoods
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent ponding 1 to 2 months per year with average depths 0 to 15 inches ... F156AY010FL Subtropical Pine Flatwoods and Palmetto Prairie of Big Cypress
      - ii. Geomorphic Positions: Knolls, Rises
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Rare to Occasional Flooding 1 month or less per year ... F156AY020FL Subtropical Forested Rocklands of Big Cypress
        - b. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Flooding 1 to 2 months per year ... F156AY030FL
        - Subtropical Moist Hammocks of Big Cypress
    - 2 Dominant Drainage Class: Very Poorly Drained
      - i. Geomorphic Position: Low Broad Flat
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Ponding 3 to 6 months per year with depths 0 to 30 inches ... R156AY040FL Subtropical Freshwater Non-Forested Wetlands of Big Cypress
      - ii. Geomorphic Position: Dips, Depressions
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Frequent Ponding 6 to 10 months per year with depths 0 to 30 inches ... F156AY050FL Subtropical Freshwater Cypress Swamps of Big Cypress
  - B. Ecoregion: Southern Coast and Islands
    - 1 Dominant Drainage Class: Very Poorly Drained
      - i. Geomorphic Position: Knoll, Low Broad Flat
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very Frequent Tidal Flooding ... R156AY110FL Subtropical Tidal Saline Wetlands of Southern Coast and Islands
      - ii. Geomorphic Position: Flats
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Supratidal Flooding ... R156AY120FL Subtropical Keys Tidal Rock Barrens of Southern Coast and Islands
    - 2 Dominant Drainage Class: Poorly Drained to Moderately Well Drained
      - i. Geomorphic Position: Rise
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very Rare to Occasional Flooding 1 month or less per year ... F156AY130FL Subtropical Forested Rocklands of Southern Coast and Islands
    - 3 Dominant Drainage Class: Moderately Well Drained to Excessively Drained
      - i. Geomorphic Position: Dune, Ridge, Beach
        - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very Rare to Rare Flooding during extreme storm events ... R156AY140FL Subtropical Coastal Zones of Southern Coast and Islands
  - C. Ecoregion: Everglades

- 1 Dominant Drainage Class: Very Poorly Drained
  - i. Geomorphic Position: Knolls, Islands
    - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Flooding 1 to 2 months per year ... F156AY210FL
    - Subtropical Freshwater Forested Wetlands of Everglades
  - ii. Geomorphic Position: Low Broad Flat, Dip, Depression
    - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Frequent Ponding 4 to 11 months per year with depths 10 to 48 inches ... R156AY220FL Subtropical Freshwater Non-Forested Glades Marshes and Slough Wetlands of Everglades
- 2 Dominant Drainage Class: Poorly Drained
  - i. Geomorphic Position: Flat
    - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent ponding 2 to 4 months per year with depths 0 to 30 inches ... R156AY230FL Subtropical Marl Prairies of Everglades
- D. Ecoregion: Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
  - 1 Dominant Drainage Class: Very Poorly Drained to Poorly Drained
    - i. Geomorphic Position: Knoll, Low Broad Flat
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very Frequent Tidal Flooding ... R156AY310FL Subtropical Tidal Saline Wetlands of Miami Ridge/ Atlantic Coastal Strip
      - b. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Ponding 3 to 6 months per year with depths 0 to 30 inches ... R156AY320FL – Subtropical Freshwater Non-Forested Wetlands of Miami Ridge/ Atlantic Coastal Strip
    - ii. Geomorphic Position: Dips, Depressions
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Frequent Ponding 6 to 10 months per year with depths 0 to 30 inches ... F156AY330FL Subtropical Freshwater Cypress Swamps of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
  - 2 Dominant Drainage Class: Poorly Drained to Somewhat Poorly Drained
    - i. Geomorphic Position: Flats, Flatwoods, Drainageways
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Occasional to Frequent Ponding 1 to 2 months per year ... F156AY340FL
      - Subtropical Pine Flatwoods and Palmetto Prairie of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
    - ii. Geomorphic Position: Knolls, Rises
      - a. Dominant Hydrology: Occasional to Frequent Ponding 1 month or less per year with depths 0 to 10 inches ... F156AY350FL Subtropical Forested Rocklands of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
      - b. Dominant Hydroperiod: Rare to Frequent Flooding 1 to 2 months per year ... F156AY360FL Subtropical Moist Hammocks of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
  - 3 Dominant Drainage Class: Somewhat Poorly to Moderately Well Drained
    - i. Geomorphic Position: Dune, Beach, Ridge
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very rare to rare flooding during extreme storm events ... R156AY370FL Subtropical Coastal Zones of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
    - ii. Geomorphic Position: Knoll, Rise
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Very Rare Flooding less than one month per year ... F156AY380FL Subtropical Hardwood Hammocks of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
  - 4 Dominant Drainage Class: Moderately Well Drained to Well Drained
    - i. Geomorphic Position: Rise, Ridge, Dune
      - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: None under natural conditions ... F156AY390FL Subtropical Scrub of Miami Ridge / Atlantic Coastal Strip
- II. Landform: Subaqueous Marine Terraces
  - A. Ecoregion: Coastal Marine and Estuarine
    - 1 Dominant Drainage Class: Subaqueous
      - i. Geomorphic Position: Barrier Cove, Estuarine Tidal Stream, Flood Tidal Delta Flat, Lagoon Bottom, Submerged Wave Cut Bottom, Washover Fan Flat, Dredged Channel

- a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Free water above the soil surface is permanent and/or there is a positive water potential at the soil surface more than 21 hours per day ... R156AY500FL Subaqueous Haline Estuarine Habitats of MLRA 156A
- ii. Geomorphic Position: Continental Shelf
  - a. Dominant Hydroperiod: Free water is at the surface permanently ... R156AY550FL Subaqueous Haline Marine Habitats of MLRA 156A