

Water Control Structure in Hernando County

The Southwest Florida Water Management District maintains and operates 84 water control structures throughout the District's 16-county region. These structures help provide flood protection, manage lake water levels and prevent salt water from flowing up freshwater streams and creeks. One of these structures is located in Hernando County.



1. Masaryktown Canal

This six-mile-long canal extends from Ayers Road just east of US 41 in Hernando County, crossing US 41 just south of Bowman Road in Pasco County, and ending at Crews Lake in north-central Pasco County. The canal provides 10-year flood protection to the town of Masaryktown and surrounding tributary areas. The canal is a passive system. Secondary drainage systems convey stormwater runoff into the canal, and they require no operation.