



SRWMD – Agriculture Cost Share Program

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Overview:

- Ag Cost-Share Program Update
- Current Process
- Eligible Items



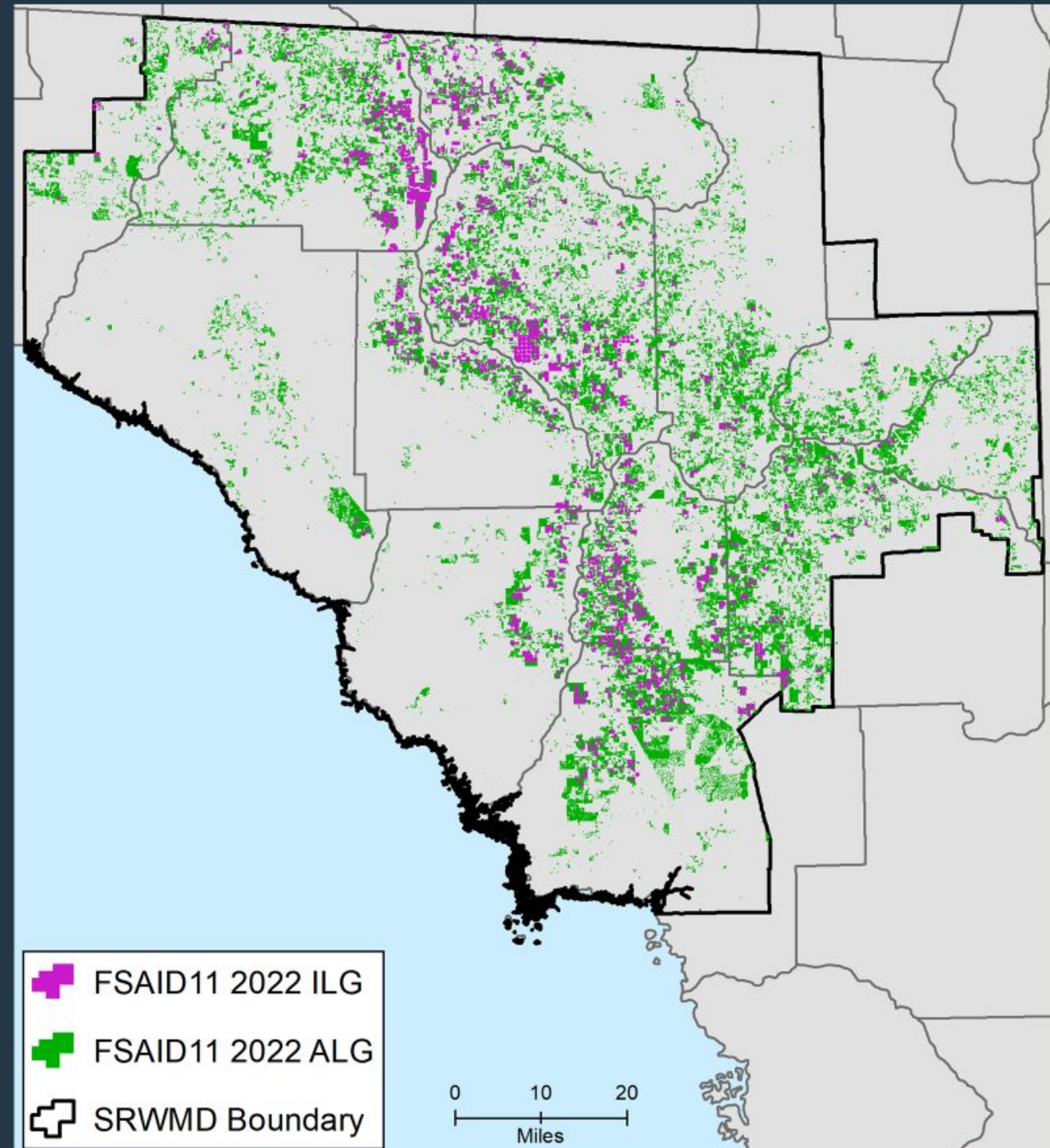
Agriculture Cost-Share Program: 2025 Update



Irrigated Ag Acres:

• 154,632 acres

County	Irrigated Ag Acres
Suwannee	38,506
Madison	25,908
Gilchrist	21,851
Levy	15,183
Hamilton	14,184
Lafayette	12,332
Alachua	10,741
Dixie	7,273
Columbia	4,274
Jefferson	2,364
Union	821
Bradford	618
Taylor	577

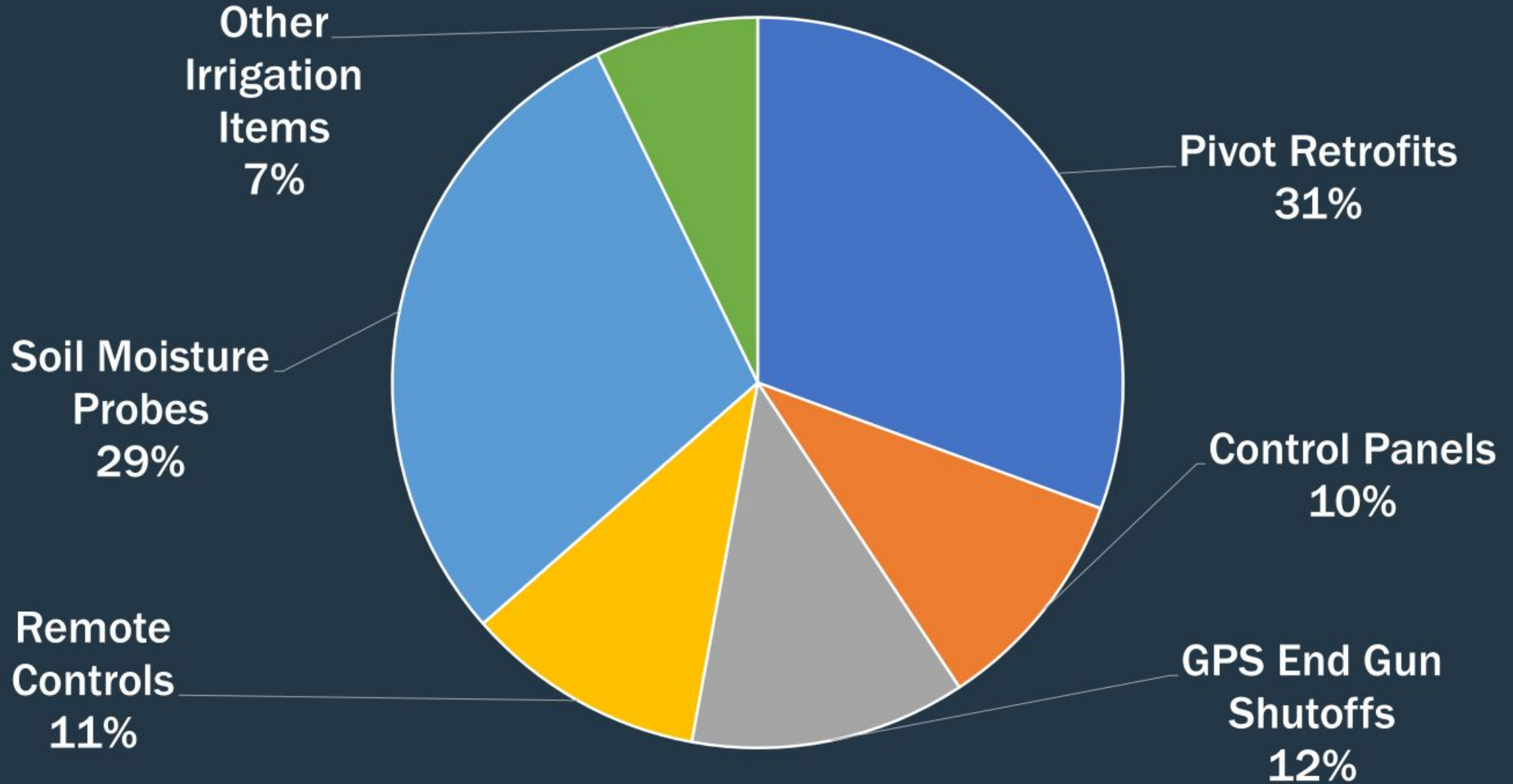


Quantity of Irrigation Items Cost-Shared since October 2019:

Cost-Share Item	Quantity
Soil Moisture Probe Purchases	867
Remote Controls	263
Pivot Retrofits	195
Control Panels	158
GPS End Gun Shutoffs	100
Stationary and Portable Fertigation	106
Centralized Remote Control System	30
Variable Frequency Drives (VFD)	17
Weather Station w/ ET Measurement	9
Pump Upgrades (High to Low Pressure)	3
Variable Rate Irrigation	5



Irrigation Items Cost-Shared in the last 5 years:

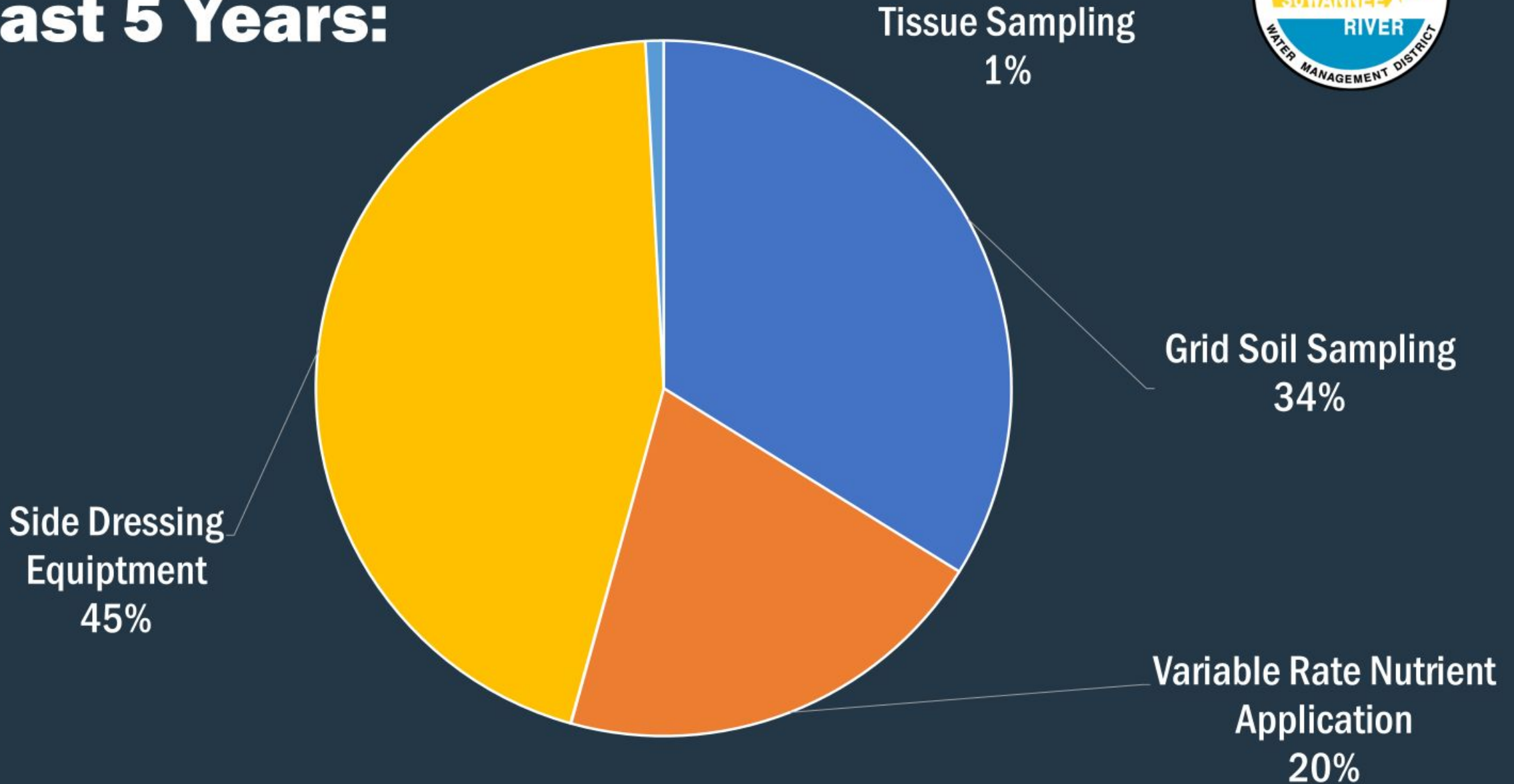


Quantity of Precision Ag Items Cost-Shared since October 2019:



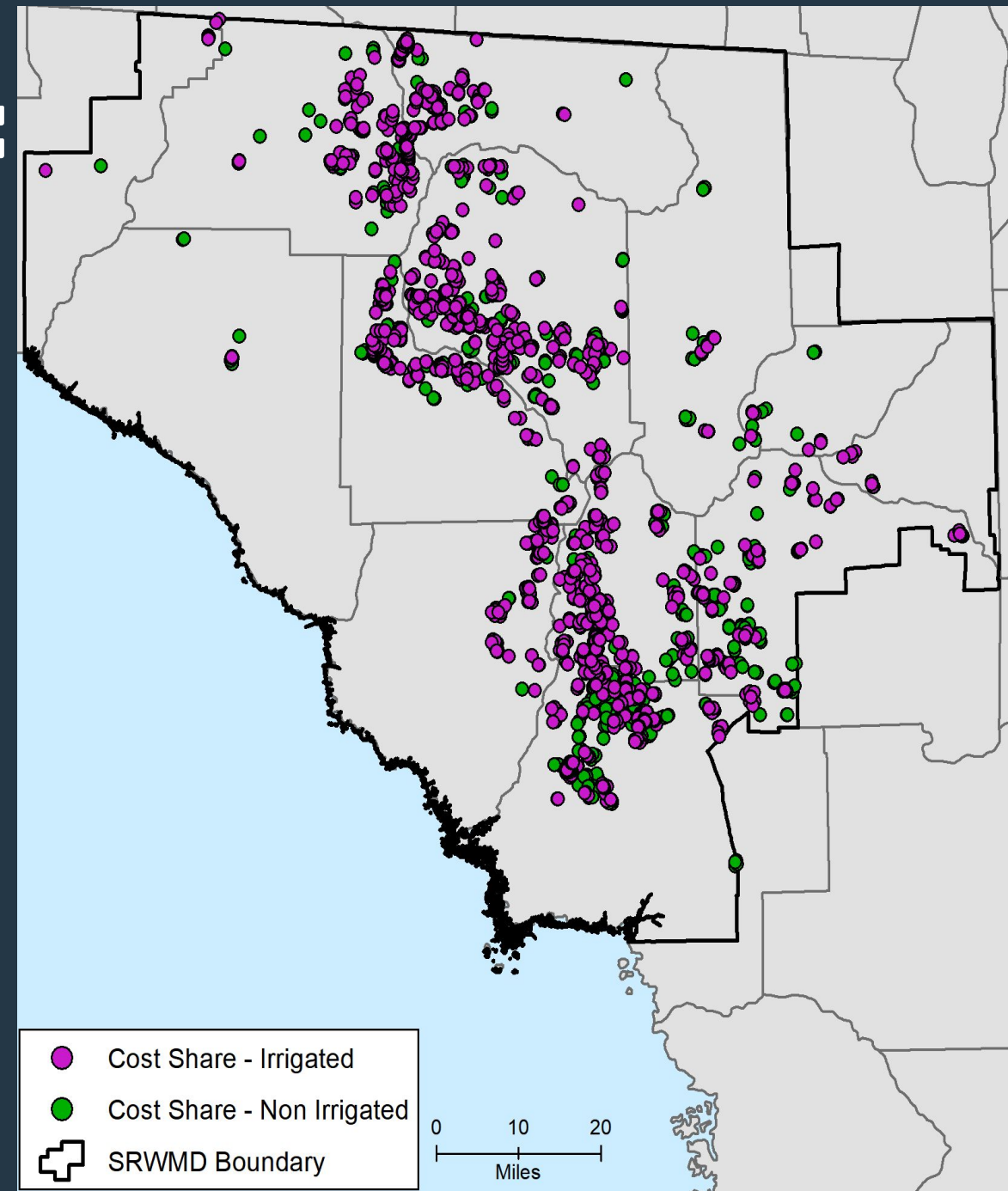
Item/Service	Quantity
Grid Soil Sampling	181,000 Acres
Variable Rate Nutrient Application	87,000 Acres
Tissue Samples	1,500 Samples
Side Dressing Equipment	23 Items
Aerial Imaging	3 Events
Soil Type Mapping (Veris Mapping)	0

Precision Ag Items Cost-Shared in the Last 5 Years:



Ag Cost-Share Acres:

- 95,800 acres cost-share (irrigated)
 - 2,500 acres cost-share (dryland)
 - 98,300 acres cost-share (total)
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- 62% of irrigated acres
 - 4% of dryland acres
 - 12% of total acres





Ag Cost-Share Process: Application Review

- Applications accepted year-round, subject to funding availability
- Staff verifies eligibility and completeness; missing items requested from applicant
- Environmental benefits (water savings/nutrient reduction) calculated using Benefits Calculator and project documentation
- Vendor quotes reviewed against approved cost-share rates; applicant pays costs above maximums
- Priority given to projects in WSPAs, MFLs, BMAPs, and Outstanding Florida Springs



Ag Cost-Share Process: Approval and Contracting

- Staff prepares memorandum summarizing project description, cost, benefits, and funding share
- Memo routed through delegation of authority for approval
- Upon approval, applicant receives contract for execution
- Once fully executed, contract and documentation are recorded and filed as public record

BMP*	Percent Reimbursed	Maximum share amount/Item
Irrigation Retrofit	75%	\$8,250
Center Pivot Retrofit	90%	\$12,000
Remote Controls	75%	\$3,700
GPS End Gun Shutoff	75%	\$1,500
Control Panel Upgrade	75%	\$5,000
Weather Station w/ ET Measurement	75%	\$2,500
Variable Frequency Drive (VFD)	75%	\$18,000
Centralized Remote-Control System	75%	\$11,500
Soil Moisture Probe Purchase	90%	\$2,100
Soil Moisture Probe Service Agreements (2 nd and 3 rd year)	75%	\$650
Soil Moisture Probe Service Agreements (4 th and 5 th year)	50%	\$435
Pump Upgrade (High to Low Pressure)	75%	\$15,000

BMP*	Percent Reimbursed	Maximum share amount/Item
Stationary Fertigation System	75%	\$9,000
Portable Fertigation System	75%	\$12,000
Veris Mapping	75%	\$10/acre
Aerial Imagery	75%	\$5/acre
Grid Soil Sampling	75%	\$7/acre
Variable Rate Nutrient Application	75%	\$9/acre
Tissue Sampling	75%	\$20/sample
Side Dressing Equipment	75%	\$50,000
Variable Rate Irrigation	75%	\$50,000
AWS existing surface water source	75%	\$300,000
AWS reclaimed water source	75%	\$300,000



SUWANNEE RIVER

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QUESTIONS?