#### REGULATORY TEAM REVIEW OF

## **SOLUTIONS PLANNING TEAM PROJECTS**

## Project name and description:

#### C-1 Rediversion Project (C-1 Borrow Pit Reservoir)

The project proposal is for an enhancement to the C-1 Re-diversion Project currently being constructed by SJRWMD, to include modification of that project for a below grade reservoir; intake with adjustable weir; stormwater pump station; water quality treatment system and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system.

# **Planning Level Review for Permittability**

The project appears to be reasonably permittable from a planning-level perspective. This project would essentially be a modification of a larger project already permitted, and currently being constructed by SJRWMD. A modification to the ERP project would be required. The fact that there has been a planning-level determination should not be interpreted as the determination or application of the environmental resource permitting criteria. Before such a determination can be made, all details of the project's design and operation must be prepared by a permit applicant and submitted as part of the permit application. The application must then be reviewed for consistency with all of the environmental resource permit criteria applicable to the project.

To the extent that future projects include actual water withdrawals from the St. Johns River in SJRWMD resulting from augmented flows from this project, the SJRWMD's consumptive use permitting criteria would be applicable to those future withdrawal projects. One of the key criteria in the permit application review will be whether the proposed consumptive use is "in accordance with any minimum flow or level and implementation strategy established pursuant to Sections 373.042 and 373.0421, F.S." MFLs have been established at various locations in the St. Johns River downstream of the project. All of the relevant MFLs in the St. Johns River would be applicable in the evaluation of the permits for those future withdrawal projects. See, for example, the permittability discussion for the following projects: St. Johns River/Taylor Creek, St. Johns River Near Yankee Lake and St. Johns River Near SR 44.

Because this is a regional project that would provide water for use across county boundaries, the Governing Board will also consider the factors in Section 373.223(3), F.S., as part of the completed permit application for a specific project, in making a determination of whether the project is consistent with the public interest pursuant to Section 373.223(5), F.S. As required by Section 373.223(3), F.S., SJRWMD may use the information in its applicable regional water supply plan as the basis for its consideration of the special public interest criteria ("local sources first") during its review of the permit application.

Identification of consumptive use permit program inconsistencies between the water management districts which may impact the project:

None identified.

Identification of Chapter 373, F.S., impediments, if any, associated with project:

None identified.

Identification of unusual, non-Chapter 373, F.S., considerations:

None identified.