Central Florida Water Initiative



CFWI 2025 Regional Water Supply Plan Draft Population Projections Released

The Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP) draft population projections were released in February for CFWI RWSP team members and stakeholders to review.

The 2025 CFWI RWSP will identify existing and projected water needs as well as projects and funding sources to meet those needs over the next 20 years. The plan, which is a five-year update to the 2020 CFWI RWSP, is a collaborative effort between the St. Johns, Southwest and South Florida water management districts. The CFWI Planning Area consists of all of Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Polk counties and southern Lake County, covering approximately 5,300 square miles.

The CFWI RWSP incorporates the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) population projections. Stakeholders were able to discuss the estimated water demands and provide feedback to Tammy Bader, RWSP Team Lead. Comments regarding the geospatial distribution for historic water use and projected water demand are due by May 15.

Once the water demand projections have been finalized, they will be incorporated into the expanded East Central Florida Transient (ECFTX) groundwater model, which will identify the planning-level traditional groundwater sources available in the CFWI Planning Area within the 20-year planning horizon.

The RWSP will be available for public review in early 2025. The final plan is scheduled to be approved by the governing boards of the three water management districts by the end of 2025.

The RWSP team will be holding meetings with stakeholders as pertinent information becomes available. For more information on the RWSP effort, please contact the CFWI water management district contacts at cfwiwater.com/contacts.html.