

March 22, 2016

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Re: 2015 Central Florida Water Initiative Regional Water Supply Plan Notice

Dear XXX:

In November 2015, the respective governing boards of the St. Johns River, South Florida and Southwest Florida Water Management Districts (Districts) approved the 2015 Central Florida Water Initiative Regional Water Supply Plan (CFWI RWSP). The CFWI RWSP Area encompasses all of Orange, Osceola, Polk and Seminole counties and southern Lake County. The CFWI RWSP contains an assessment of projected water demands and potential sources of water to meet these demands through 2035. Thank you for your entity's participation in the development process and ensuring the CFWI RWSP was balanced, addressed the water supply related issues of the region and provided a framework to meet the water needs of the CFWI RWSP Area through 2035.

This letter is being sent pursuant to section 373.709(8)(a), Florida Statutes (F.S.), which requires the Districts to notify by certified mail the water supply entities identified in the CFWI RWSP as the parties responsible to implement the various project options listed in the CFWI RWSP (Volume IIA, Appendix D). While it is not required that your entity implement any of the options in the CFWI RWSP, there are statutory provisions that require action on your part.

Section 373.709(8)(b), F.S., requires water supply entities to consider the information in the CFWI RWSP and provide the Districts, in writing, the following information no later one year of the receipt of this letter (April 2017):

- 1.) The alternative water supply projects or options identified in the CFWI RWSP which you have developed or intend to develop, if any. If you do not intend to develop one or more of the alternative water supply project options identified in the CFWI RWSP, you can propose one or more alternative water supply project options sufficient to address your future water needs as identified in the CFWI RWSP (Volume IA, Table A-1).
- 2.) A status report of the alternative water supply project implementation, including:
 - a.) the quantity of water to be produced
 - b.) development of a financial plan
 - c.) facilities master planning
 - d.) permitting and efforts in coordinating multijurisdictional projects, if applicable

As a reminder, annual progress reports from water supply entities regarding the status of project implementation must be submitted to the Districts by November 15th of each year (subsection 373.709(8)(b), F.S.).

In addition, each local government is required to update their water supply facilities work plan within 18 months after governing board approval of a regional water supply plan pursuant to subsection 163.3177(6)(c)3., F.S.. The water supply facilities work plan must cover at least a 10-year planning period and identify alternative and traditional water supply development projects, and conservation and reuse activities needed to meet the projected future water demands. For local governments that are wholly or partially in the CFWI RWSP Area, work plans must be updated by April 2017.

Please visit cfwiwater.com to access the CFWI RWSP and associated appendices for information regarding the alternative water supply projects or options. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please contact **Tammy Bader at 1-386-329-4209**.

Sincerely,

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