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# Extension Resource Efficiency Programs for Residential Housing

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# Program for Resource Efficient Communities

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We promote application of design, construction and management practices that minimize environmental degradation and make more efficient use of energy, water and other natural resources in master planned residential communities.

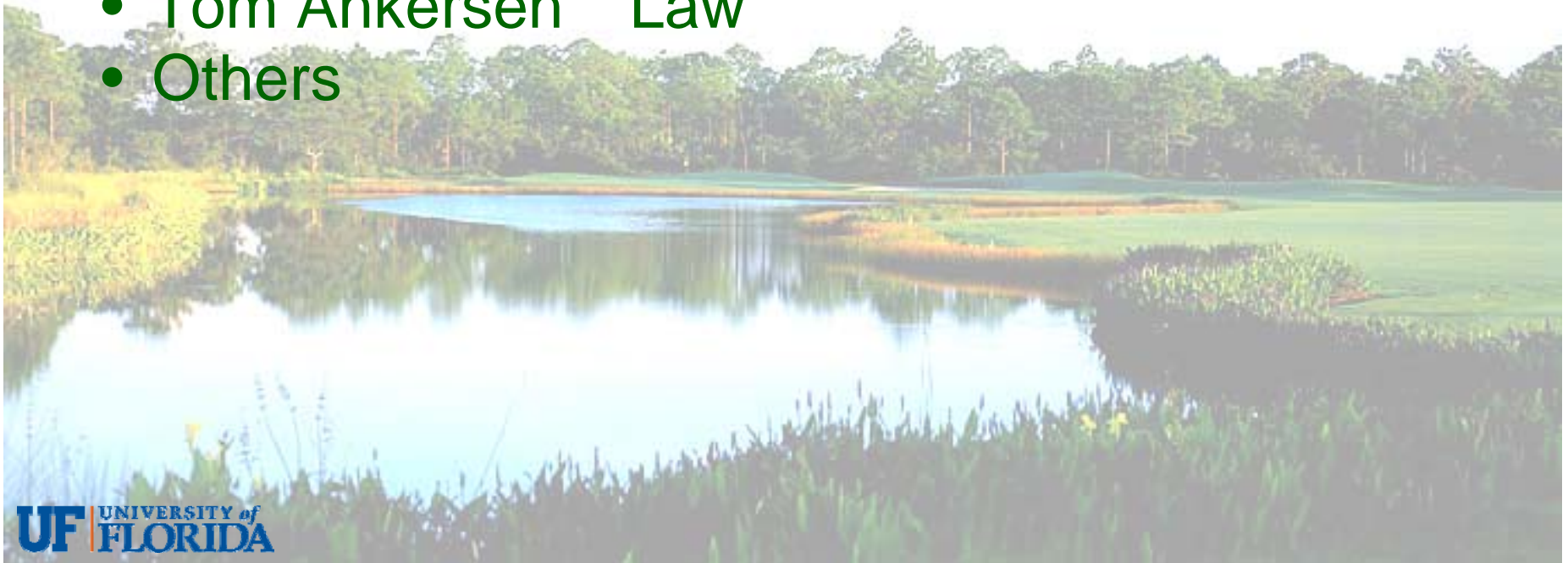


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Active on-campus faculty include:

- Glenn Acomb      Landscape Architecture
- Kathy Malone      Environmental Horticulture
- Mark Clark      Soil & Water
- Michael Dukes      Ag & Biological Engineering
- Mark Hostetler      Wildlife Ecology & Conservation
- Tom Ankersen      Law
- Others



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Extension methods include:

- Continuing education
- Targeted workshops
- Publications
- Consulting





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Funding mechanisms include:

- Continuing education
  - Targeted workshops
  - Publications
  - Consulting
- Registration fees  
Sponsorships  
For sale  
Hourly rate



# Growth Trends

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Context

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## Population - Florida:

- 1980 ~10,000,000
- 2005 ~17,000,000
- 2030 ~28,000,000



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## Building Permits - Florida:

- 2003 ~155,000
- 2004 ~185,000
- 2005 ~208,000
- 2006 ~146,000
- 2007 ~72,000
- 2008 ~40,000





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WCI Communities Inc.

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Tampa

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Ft. Myers ★

Estero ★

Bonita Springs ★

Naples ★

Marco Island ★

★ Jupiter

★ Palm Beach Gardens

★ West Palm Beach

★ Coral Springs

★ Fort Lauderdale

★ Miami

For more information on a specific community,  
click on any area of the map.

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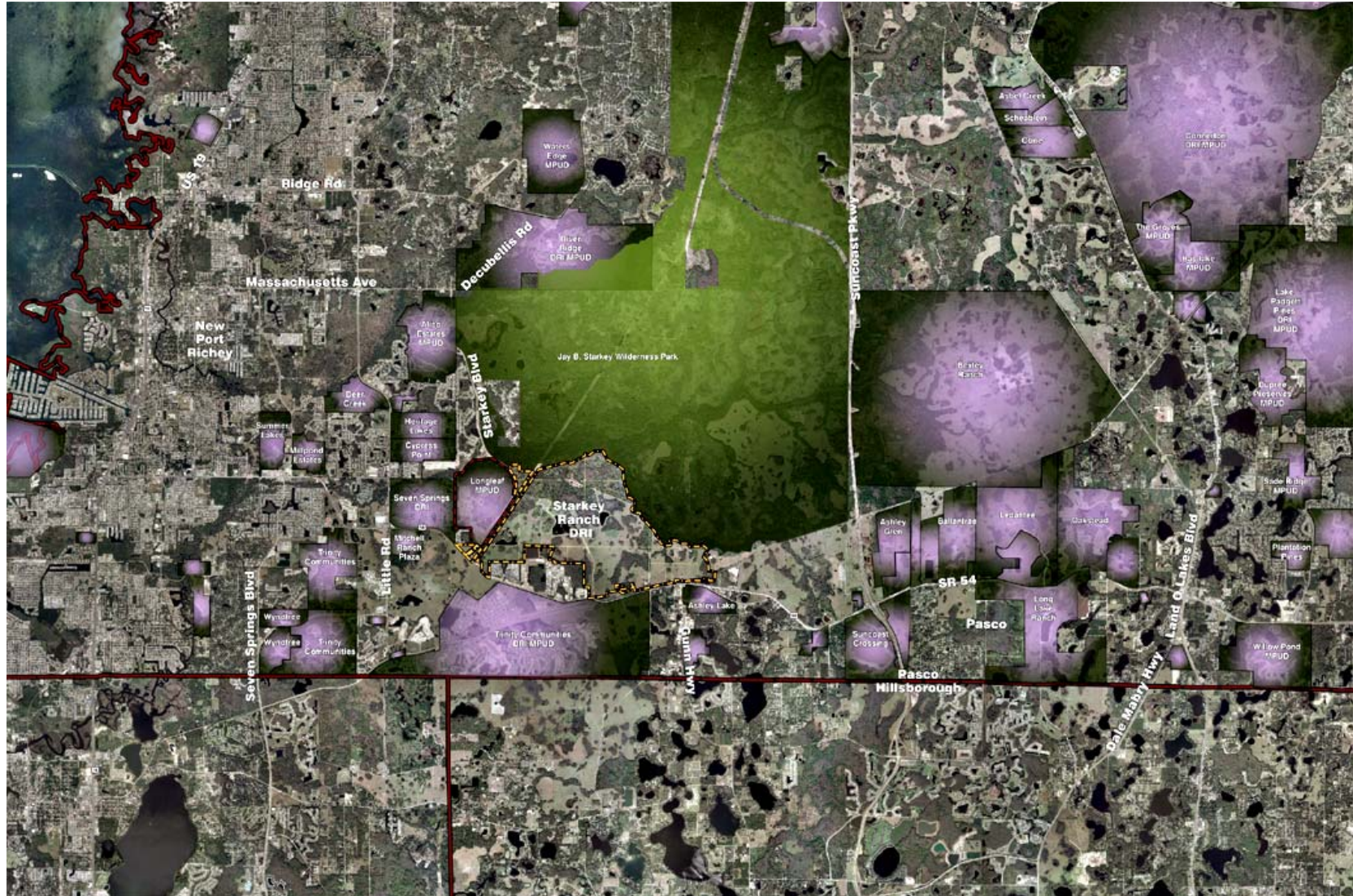


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South Pasco County

# Growth Issues

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## Water Supply



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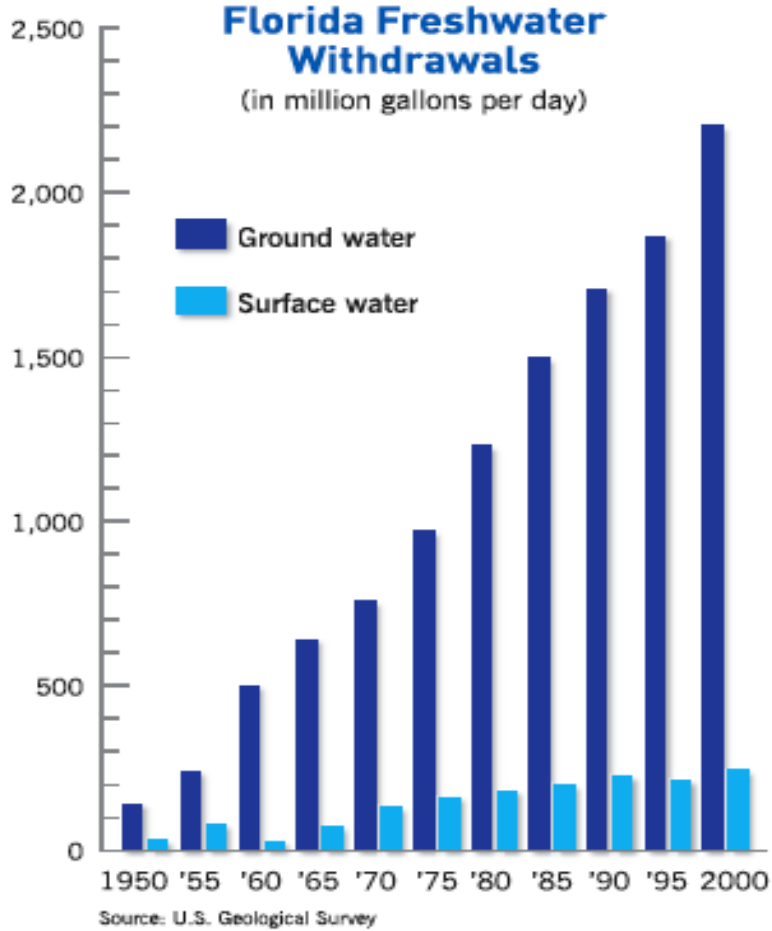
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200,000 Gallon Water Tower



# Water Supply



### Tampa Bay Water Desalinization Facility



# St. Petersburg Times

## Man jailed for brown lawn gets help from neighbors

By Erin Sullivan, Times Staff Writer  
In print: Monday, October 13, 2008

BAYONET POINT — "He's in prison for God knows how long because we can't afford to sod the lawn," said his sobbing daughter, Jennifer Lehr.

Prudente has owned a home in the deed restricted community since 1998. The covenants require homeowners to keep their lawns covered with grass.



*Free from jail, Joseph Prudente, 66, inspects his new lawn with pride Sunday. Prudente, who says he barely has enough to pay the mortgage, was jailed for having a brown lawn.*

# THE SOUTH FLORIDA BUSINESS JOURNAL

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Broward Edition

## Water woes hit development

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *This is the first in a series examining how the region's drinking water is running low.*

**BY SUSAN STABLEY**

South Florida has run out of natural sources of drinking water and will likely experience halted development due to the problem.

Major real estate projects in the tri-county area must be curbed until alternative sources of water can be developed, according to the state. Already, it has told Miami-Dade County to reject 17 large-scale projects because of drinking water scarcity.

And the creation of alternative water sources will not happen soon. The work will cost of hundreds of millions of dol-

lars and can take decades to complete, according to estimates from regional and local water officials.

"For us to go back into a built environment is a very expensive proposition," said Doug Yoder, assistant director of Miami-Dade County's water and sewer department.

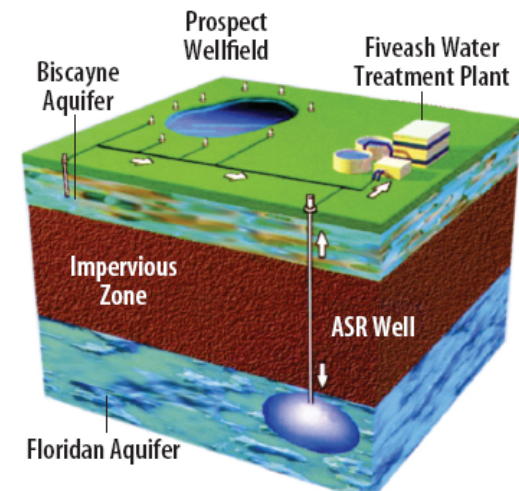
Last week, Gov. Jeb Bush vowed to make South Florida confront its water issues before the state will approve any more large projects.

"It makes no sense to develop west and west and west without the adequate development of infrastructure and water supply," Bush said at the Urban Land Institute's Symposium on Regional Cooperation on March 17.

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### POTENTIAL SOLUTION

Fort Lauderdale is pumping water into the saltier Floridan Aquifer, where it forms a freshwater bubble that can be tapped in times of drought.



Source: City of Fort Lauderdale Public Services Department

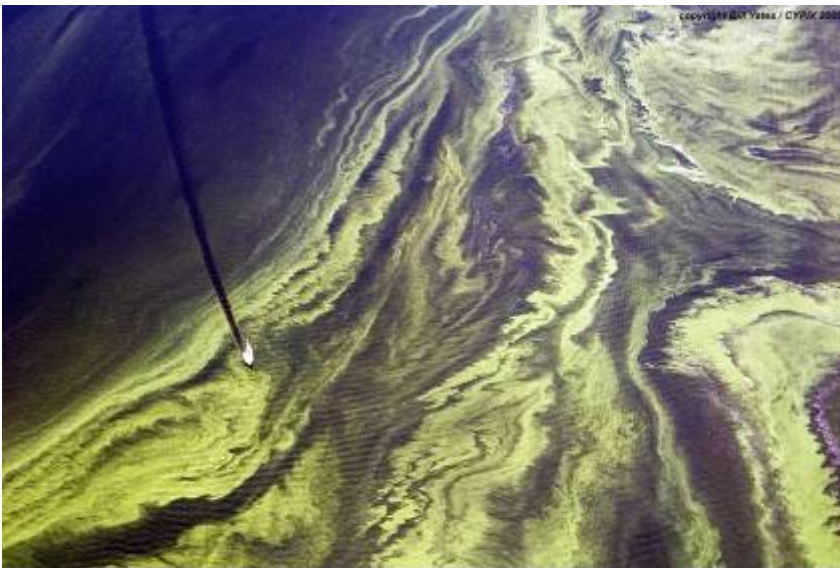


# Growth Issues

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Water Quality

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Microcystis Bloom - St. Johns River mid-channel south of the Buckman Bridge - 08.19.05 - 2:04pm  
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Microcystis Bloom - East bank of the St. Johns River - Mandarin - 08.19.05 - 2:42pm  
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## 2005 Fertilizer Consumption (Tons/yr):

<u>County:</u>	<u>Farm</u>
• Clay	1,190
• Nassau	1,540
• Duval	3,970
• St Johns	22,780





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## 2005 Fertilizer Consumption (Tons/yr):

<u>County:</u>	<u>Farm</u>	<u>Non-Farm</u>
• Clay	1,190	5,230
• Nassau	1,540	2,040
• Duval	3,970	23,500
• St Johns	22,780	3,480



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## ***Final Draft LSJRB SWIM Plan Update - May 2008***

**Table C-5: Nonpoint Sources–Freshwater Nitrogen Load Allocations (as of February 2008)**

Source Category	Load Allocation <u>lbs/yr</u>	Reduction from <u>Starting Point</u>
<b><i>Non-MS4 Stormwater<sup>1</sup></i></b>		
Hastings	988	28.0%
Pomona Park	238	0.0%
Putnam	75,049	21.8%
St. Johns Non-Urbanized Area	55,972	
6.7%		
Welaka	1,850	28.4%
<b><i>Other Sources</i></b>		
Agriculture	429,264	37.2%

# Daily Record

## Swimmable river will cost \$450 million

05/01/2008

by David Ball - Staff Writer

Nearly 14,500 tons. Almost 29 million pounds. That's how much nitrogen and phosphorus is pouring into the lower St. Johns River each year from wastewater treatment plants and stormwater runoff, according to Florida DEP.

Now, after eight years of work, the DEP is about to finalize a plan requiring at least \$450 million in expenditures by Northeast Florida utilities, governments and others to reduce their total nutrient discharge by about 26 percent. Some estimate the true costs at more than \$1 billion.

The reductions are part of new Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) defined for the Lower St. Johns. A TMDL is a specific amount of nutrients the river can carry while still maintaining water quality levels, and for the Lower St. Johns, it's 11,518 tons of nitrogen and phosphorus.



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Unloading Coal Hoppers

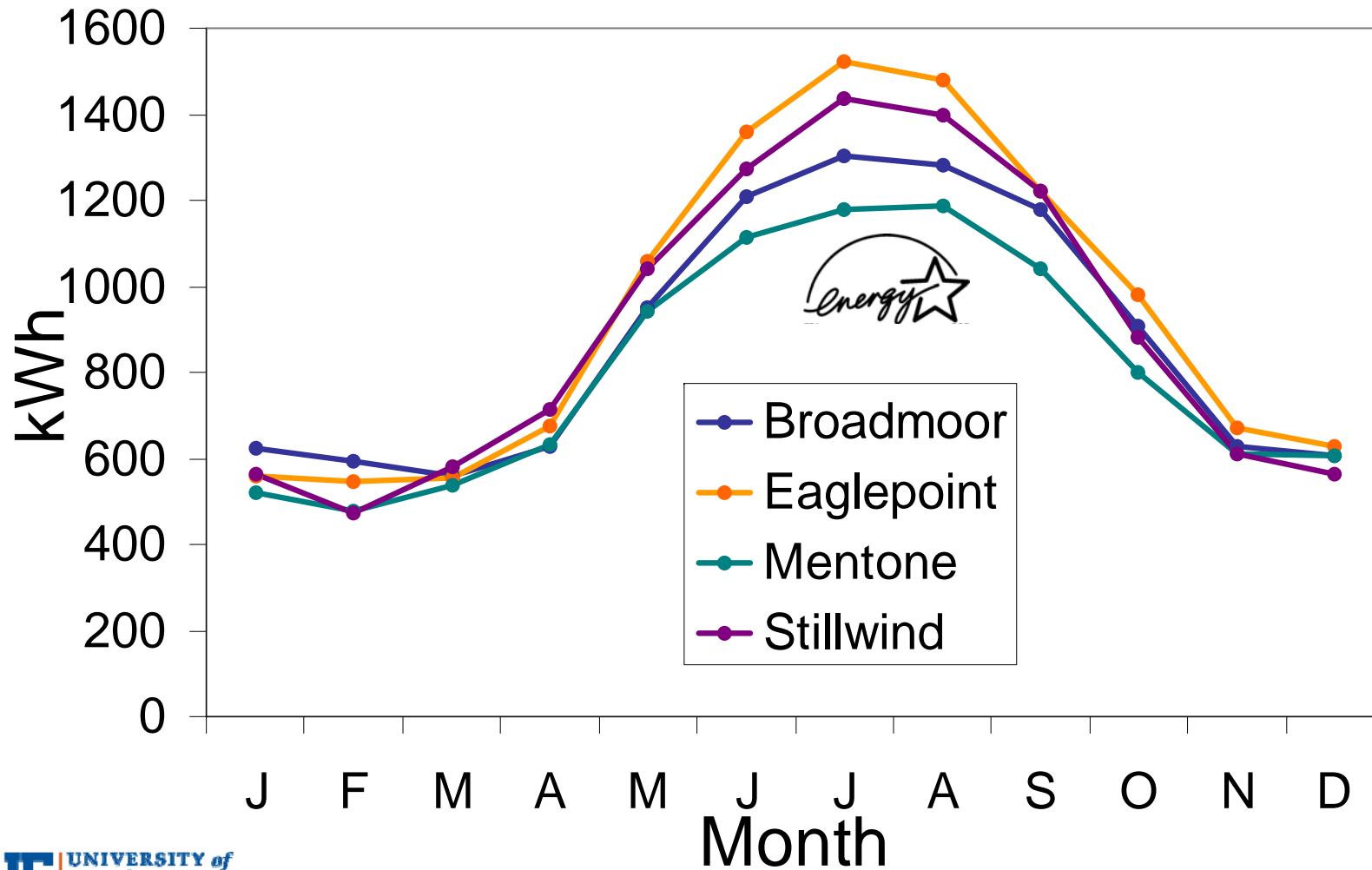
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## 2000 Residential Energy Use Study



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Estimated annual reductions if all Florida homes permitted in 2005 were ENERGY STAR qualified:

- Energy ~576,000,000 kWh
- Utility bills ~\$69,000,000
- CO<sub>2</sub> ~1,607,900,000 lbs





Posted on Fri, Jul. 13, 2007

## THE ENVIRONMENT

# Crist sets Florida on a green path

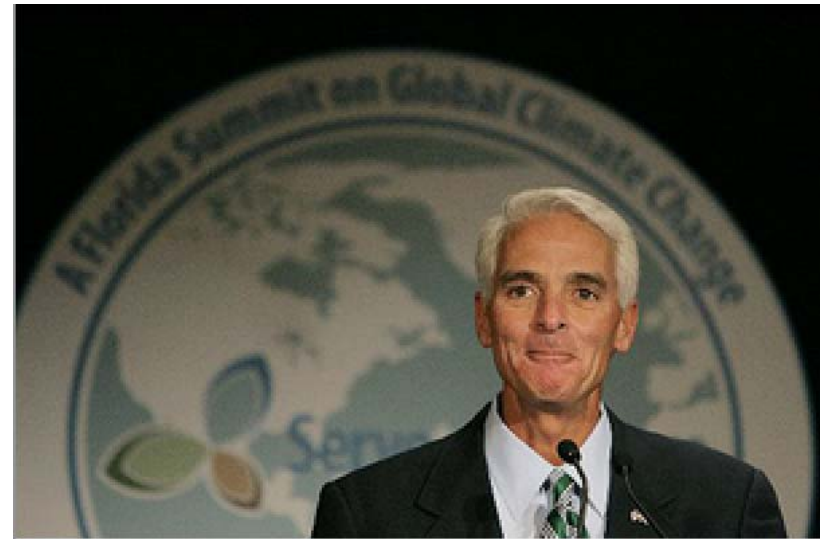
**Florida will act forcefully on its own to counter global warming, Gov. Crist said as he prepared to sign a series of pollution-fighting orders.**

BY MARTIN MERZER

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Surrounded by foreign officials but no one from the Bush administration, Gov. Charlie Crist warned Thursday that global warming poses such a dire threat to Floridians that the state must take immediate, dramatic and unilateral action.

The first phase of that initiative begins today as Crist signs unprecedented orders intended to help reduce pollution, slow global warming and position the state as a national model—even as the federal government remains on the sidelines.



# St. Petersburg Times

## **Fla. utilities dump coal-fired power plant**

**Gov. Charlie Crist says climate change played a role in plans.**

By STEVE BOUSQUET and CRAIG PITTMAN

Published July 4, 2007

**TALLAHASSEE - Under pressure from Gov. Charlie Crist, a consortium of Florida utilities pulled the plug Tuesday on another controversial coal-fired power plant because of concerns about global warming.**

**“It’s like a new day is dawning for energy in Florida,” said Susan Glickman of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, which opposed the plant.**

**Crist announced the demise of the coal plant during a news conference unveiling the agenda of his global warming summit in Miami next week, where he promised to “identify specific actions” that Florida can take to combat climate change.**

**“Good things are happening,” Crist said. “That pleases me, and I think it pleases our fellow Floridians.”**



# Resource Efficient Development

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## Madera (Extension Demonstration Project)





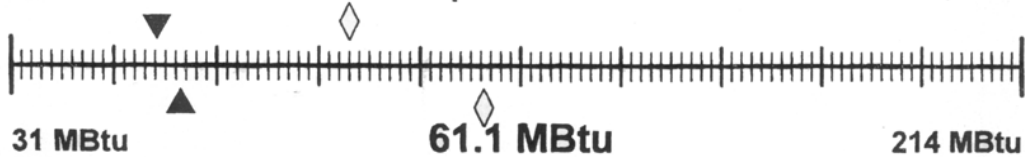
**Confirmed Rating**

✓ JF-Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences  
4073 SW 21st Terr  
Gainesville, FL 32608-

**Class 1 Rating**  
Registration No.: 6680  
Climate: North Florida

# FLORIDA BUILDING ENERGY RATING GUIDE

Best **\$723** **\$1208** Worst **\$4149**



▼ Proposed Home  
◇ HERS Reference Home<sup>1</sup>  
Annual Savings: \$645.92

Cost Basis:  
Gainesville Regional Utilities  
North Default  
Statewide Prices

Electric Rate: \$0.085 /kWh  
Gas Rate: \$1.504 /Therm  
Oil: \$1.65/gal LP Gas: \$1.92/gal

As compared with other 2773 square foot, 4 bedroom homes without pool pumps.

**This Home Qualifies for EPA's Energy Star Label<sup>2</sup>**  
**This Home Qualifies for an Energy Efficient Mortgage (EEM)**

Cooling	\$119
Heating	\$305
Hot Water	\$173
Refrig.	\$132
Dryer	\$84
Stove	\$58
Lighting	\$79
Misc.	\$259
Pool	

**HERS Score<sup>3</sup>: 92.8**



NOTES:  
<sup>1</sup>The HERS Reference Home is constructed to comply with the 1992 CABO Model Energy Code (MEC) at a HERS score of 80 or greater.  
<sup>2</sup>The home builder must have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with EPA as an Energy Star Homes partner.  
<sup>3</sup>Home Energy Rating Systems (HERS) Score calculated in accordance with NASEO Technical Guidelines.



**Ariene Z. Stewart** 530  
Certified Rater I.D. Number

*Ariene Z. Stewart* 6/16/04  
Signature Date

*This notice is provided to you by an individual certified by the Florida Department of Community Affairs to perform a building energy rating evaluation. Any questions, comments, or complaints regarding the person or Agency performing this service may be directed to the Florida Department of Community Affairs, Building Energy Rating System Program, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-2100, 850-487-1824.*



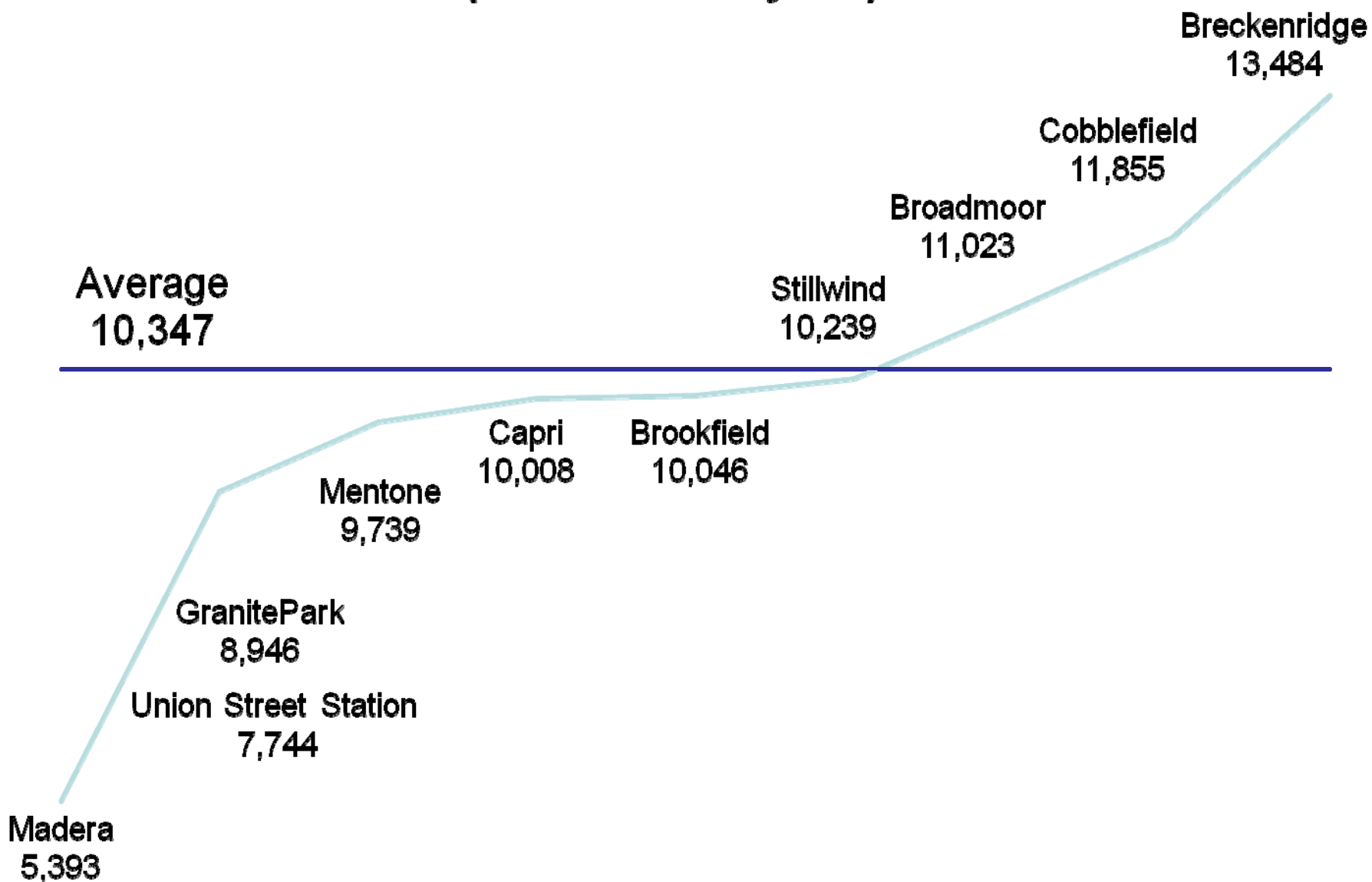


# Madera



Low Impact Landscape

# Gainesville, Florida Residential Energy Intensity for 2006 (kWh/1000sf/year)



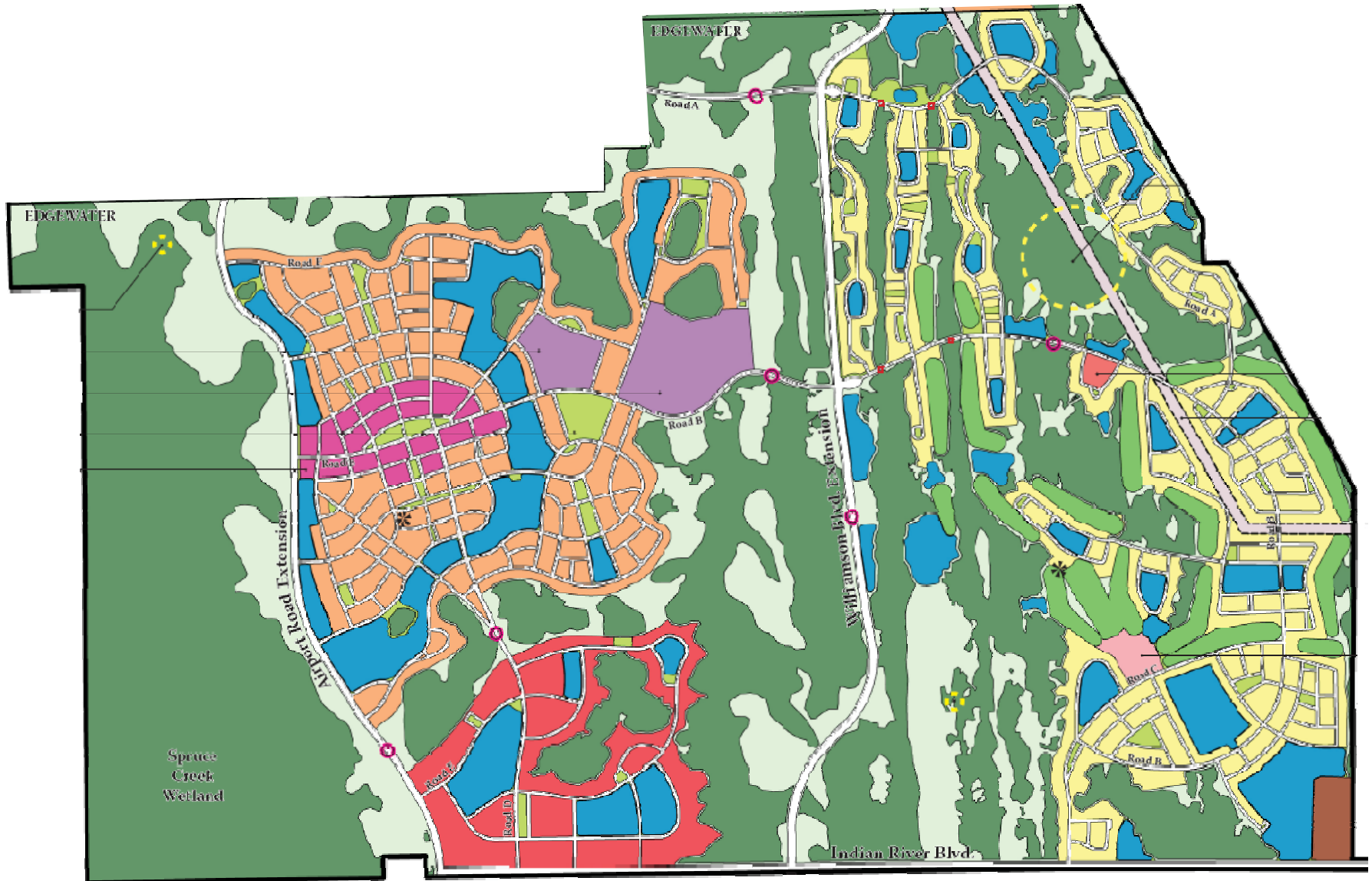


# Resource Efficient Development

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**Restoration**  
**(Direct Consulting)**

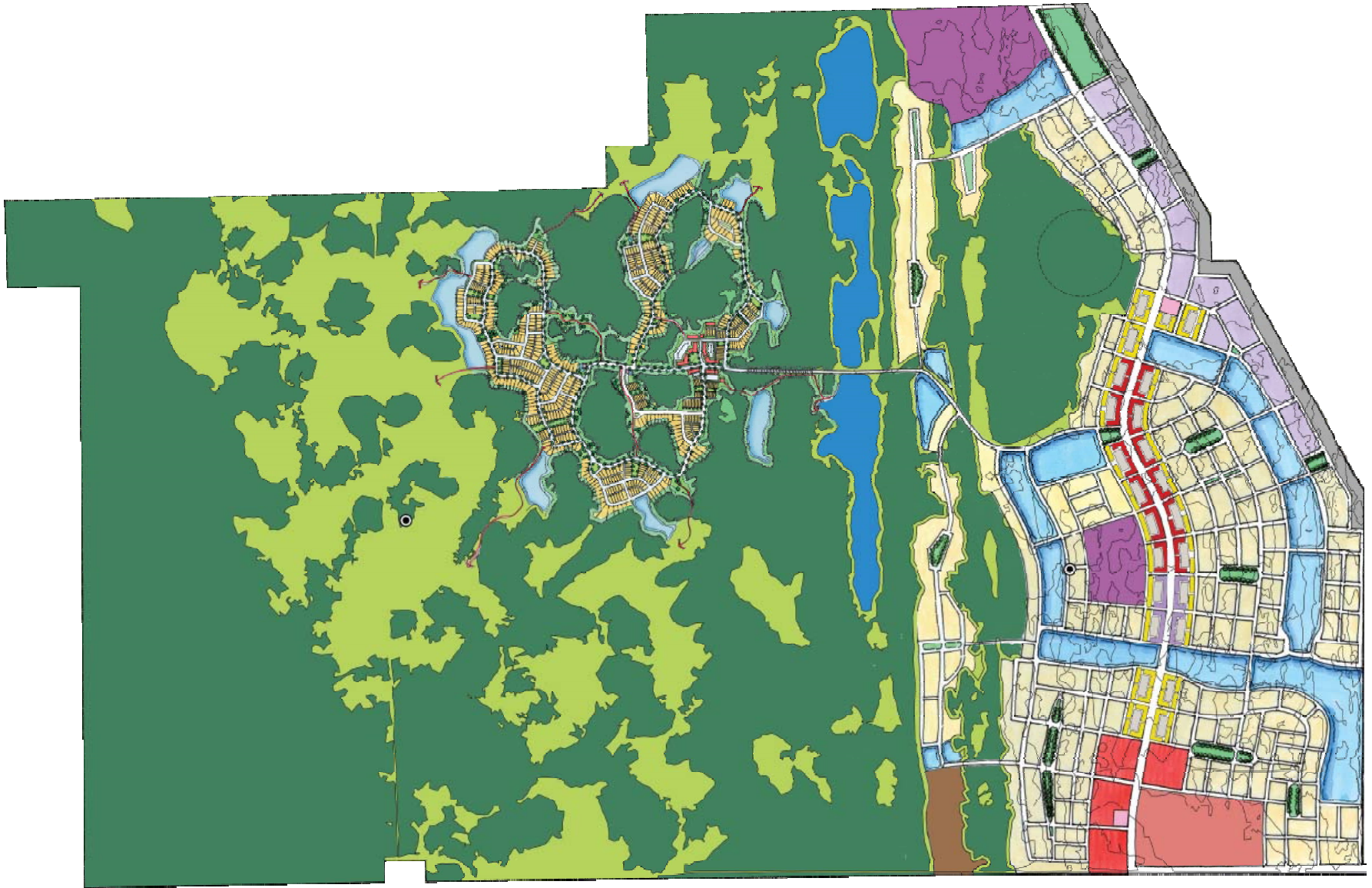
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2006 Conventional Site Design

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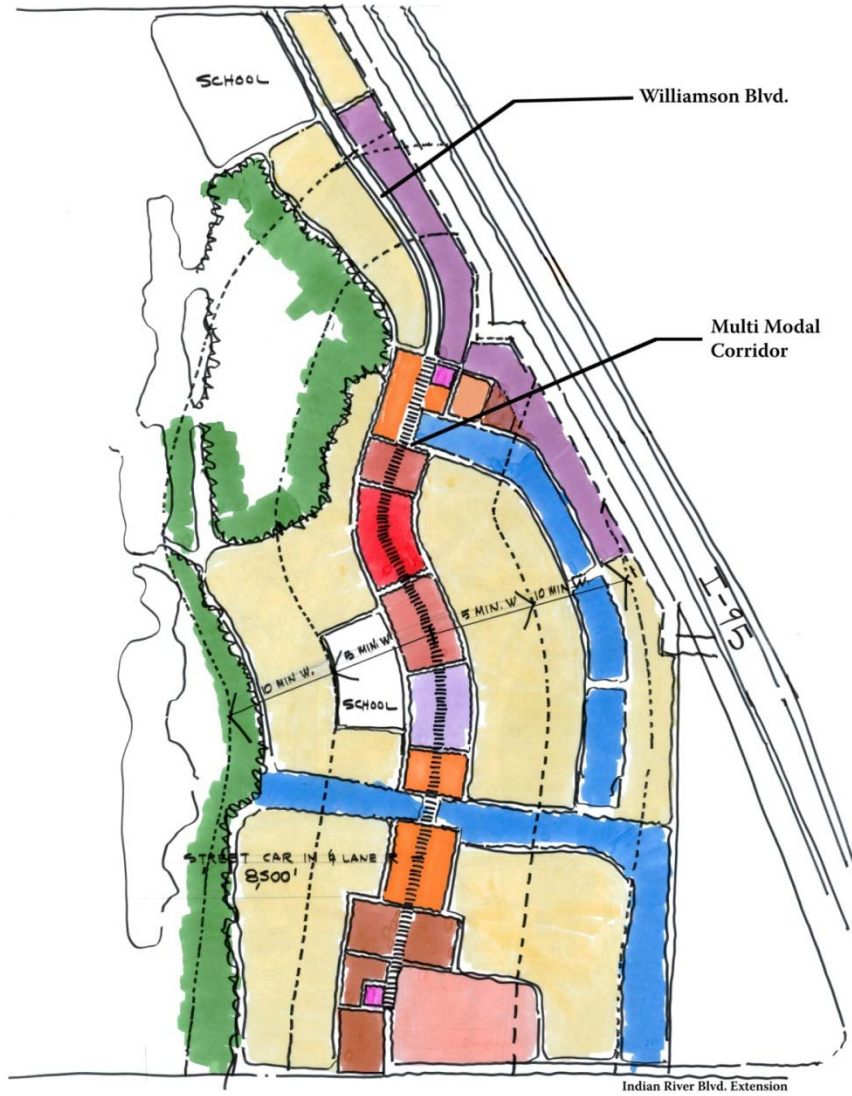
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2009 Reduced Impact Site Design



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**TRANSIT-READY DESIGN**

# Water Supply

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## Restoration DRI Recommendations:

1. Firm water budget specified (95 gal/person/day)
2. Integrated stormwater and reclaimed irrigation water supply system
3. Smart irrigation systems required
4. Use of the “*Field Guide to Soil Moisture Sensor Use in Florida*”
5. Florida Water Star required
6. Overall compact design – increased proportion of community landscapeable areas



# Water Quality

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## Restoration DRI Recommendations:

1. Source Control – addresses linkage between landscape fertilization practices and water quality impacts
2. Ecologically Enhanced Stormwater Basins – applies an additional layer to the conventional treatment train
3. Overall Compact Design – reduces edge effects and creates opportunity for more effective water treatment in retained natural areas



# Energy

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## Restoration DRI Recommendations:

1. Required use of Energy Star reflective roofing products; Pre-plumbing and Pre-wiring to roof deck for solar thermal and photovoltaics
2. Ductwork and air handlers in conditioned space
3. All residential units will achieve a HERS Index Score of 70 or less to meet the USDOE Builder Challenge program
4. Overall Compact Design – more multi-story and attached housing

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## Summary

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## Extension Program Opportunities:

- Conventional development practices are failing
- Tested, better practices are available
- Plenty of room to improve quickly
- Developers are not resistant
- Time is of the essence







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