

2017 COMPILATION OF MEMBERS'
FIVE YEAR CONSERVATION PLANS

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Background

Tampa Bay Water is Florida's largest wholesale water provider and supplies potable water to over 2.5 million residents in the Hillsborough-Pasco-Pinellas tri-county area. The agency provides water to six member government utilities, including the three counties mentioned above and the cities of Tampa, St. Petersburg, and New Port Richey. Although conservation efforts began in the late 1980's by its predecessor agency, the focus of this report is to provide post Tampa Bay Water creation contributions to conservation.

As a part of its existing water conservation planning and coordination role, the agency, with input of its member government conservation programs, developed a series of water conservation best management practices (BMPs) for reducing interior and exterior potable water demand over a specific planning period and a water savings tool allowing members to compile and evaluate various projects and scenarios for implementation, review, and documentation of implemented measures. This was done after completion of the predecessor Agency's original demand management plan (DMP) in 1998.

In mid-1998, the Northern Tampa Bay New Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Agreement (Partnership Agreement) was incorporated among Tampa Bay Water, its member governments and the Southwest Florida Water Management District (District). The Partnership Agreement also required Tampa Bay Water and its member governments to continue to plan, coordinate, develop, construct and implement conservation and reclaimed water projects in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to them.

Annually submitted and regionally compiled five-year water conservation plans were required to quantify active conservation and demand management programming and for consistency with Tampa Bay Water's Master Water Plan. The Master Water Plan conservation goals, developed in 1995, included an aggressive demand management/conservation component with goals to reduce overall regional potable water demand at least 17 mgd in 2005, at least 21 mgd by 2010, and 26 mgd by 2015. These goals were adopted into the Partnership Agreement by reference and included both active and passive conservation (passive savings are not part of this report). Partnership specific planning and evaluation elements were completed in 2008. The annual compiled conservation plan was also used to comply with water use

permits and required conservation reporting and, currently to determine consistency with existing agency goals.

At its December 2008 Board meeting, the Tampa Bay Water Board of Directors approved Resolution No. 2009-004, directing the agency to prepare a revised DMP. After completion of plan components, the Board of Directors, in February 2013, approved Resolution No. 2013-006 incorporating water use efficiency evaluation into the Agency's long-term water supply planning process. This resolution directed the Agency to:

- Develop and implement data collection, management and analysis protocols and procedures for the continued assessment of passive water use efficiency within Tampa Bay Water's service area.
- Integrate passive water-use efficiency into the Agency's Long-term Demand Forecast and Future Need Analysis.
- Include the Water Use Efficiency Evaluation as an element of the Long-term Water Supply Plan and include an updated evaluation of potential active measures for implementing efficient water-use products as part of future options for the next Long-term Water Supply Plan update.

The 2013 DMP consists of a comprehensive investigation of benefits-costs of integrated water demand management as a quantifiable alternative to conventional water supply sources, reflecting improvements in the state of water use efficiency occurring since 1998 when the first DMP was adopted, with this information provided in Appendix A. The update includes an evaluation of potential demand management projects as a beneficial tool for long-term water supply planning. Results define how water efficiency activities may fit into Tampa Bay Water's long-term water supply planning process, which includes supply reliability and member government long range demand projections. The demand management evaluation effort includes an analysis of water savings (past and future) and an analysis of avoided supply costs related to improved water use efficiency.

The DMP's "avoided supply cost" analysis considered increments of conserved water versus (a) cost to operate existing water supply sources and (b) total cost (capital and operating costs) to develop new water supply. (Since there were no new supplies identified as needed in 2013 Long-term Water Supply Plan, avoided supply costs were applied to increasing use of seawater desalination facilities). Consideration of cost savings and water supply benefits permits a consistent "apples to apples" comparison to other water supply alternatives. Conserved water programs/BMP savings rates were quantified in this document through either direct evaluation of billing data, implementation data collected by member governments, or through other sources of independent efficiency potential.

The Board of Directors at its August 18, 2014 meeting reiterated and directed staff to evaluate active conservation potential and integrate it into the long-term demand forecast model redevelopment process as part of the 2018 Long-Term Water Supply Update. This evaluation began in water year 2017 and will be completed by mid 2018. As part of the update for 2018, the Board of Directors requested staff to research and develop demand management implementation strategies. These potential strategies will be presented as options in the 2018 Water Demand Management Plan. The Board could, not select anything, select to use some of the strategies, or provide them to the members to insure they meet any potential water use efficiency goals established as part of the Long- Term Water Supply Plan update. The annual update five year conservation plan developed herein provides one tool to track efficiency program implementation that has occurred and what potentially could be implemented by member governments. Collection of actual implementation data from member governments is ongoing and will be used to update actual savings rates and future DMP program potential.

Best Management Practices (BMPs)/Water Savings Calculator Use

A series of generally acceptable and quantifiable potable water conserving BMPs are used and classified with respect to default water savings rates, implementation costs and interactions with other BMPs. These BMPs were updated, modified and some removed after evaluation of savings, or lack thereof, occurred within the DMP. They are generally applied to existing or new water uses and can affect water use through modification of existing technologies.

BMPs used for evaluation and implementation are provided in Table A. Although, in some locations, ultra-low flow toilet (ULFT) rebates technically continue in the region without prescreening based on relative efficiency, most programs are now focusing on use of only high efficiency (1.28 gallons/flush) toilets meeting stringent EPA WaterSense testing requirements and consumers choices appear to be moving in that direction as well. This minimizes the potential for program free riders (users that would purchase the device with or without the incentive) or at least require an added level of efficiency. The Southwest Florida Water Management District's cooperative funding program, provides funding only for applicable WaterSense products.

A Water Savings Calculator (WSC) program is used by Tampa Bay Water and its member governments in developing annual active water conservation implementation plans using pre-defined and customizable BMP templates. The WSC generates required electronic and paper reports as needed by Tampa Bay Water and Member Government water conservation coordinators. The WSC creates BMP scenarios and subdivides them into categories and sectors. A scenario refers to simulated implementation of a BMP, for

a category and water use sector, using relevant information such as the life of the BMP, water savings rate and cost per measure. All BMP's implemented by Member Governments are provided in Appendix E.

Table A: Best Management Practices Implementation in Tampa Bay region

BMP	Category	Sector	Default Savings Rate	Units
Non-Potable Irrigation Source Replacement or Rebates	(1) Reclaimed Water	SF	258	Gpad
	(2) Groundwater from a Shallow Well	MF	Variable ²	Gpad
	(3) Other Irrigation Sources	NR	Variable ²	Gpad
Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates	(1) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/o Rebates ³	SF	81	Gpad
	(2) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/ Irrigation Rebates	MF	Variable ⁴	Gpad
	(3) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/ Irrigation & Landscape Rebates	NR	Variable ⁴	Gpad
High-Efficiency Clothes Washer Retrofits	(1) Coin-operated Self-serve Laundries (19 units)	NR	n/a	Gpad
	(2) Common Area Washers (affects all units)	MF _{com}	3.7	Gpud
	(3) In Unit Washers (affects rebated units only)	MF _{in}	12	Gpud
	(4) SF Homes	SF	15	Gpad
Ultra Low Flush (ULF) Toilet Retrofits	No Categories	SF	27	Gpad
		MF	20	Gpud
		NR	49	Gpmd
High Efficiency Toilets (HET's)	No Categories	SF	32	Gpad
		MF	22	Gpud
		NR	35	Gpmd
Urinal Rebates	ULF Urinal	NR	51	Gpad
Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Water-Use Evaluations/ Implementation	(1) w/Rebates	NR	Based on end use data	Gpad
	(2) w/o Rebates			
Pre-rinse Spray Valve	No Categories	NR	103	Gpmd
BMP Template	(1) Indoor	SF	Based on end use data	Based on end use data
	(2) Outdoor	MF NR		

SF = single-family residential

MF = multi-family residential

NR = non-residential

MF_{in} = multi-family residential with in-unit laundry room

MF_{com} = multi-family residential with a common laundry area

gpad = gallons per account per day

gpud = gallons per unit per day

gpmd = gallons per measure per day

1. Default rate is approximate based on sq. ft of landscape and irrigation frequency annually.

2. Savings rates are not well defined. Site specific data required!

3. Savings not assured without follow-up or rebates.

4. Savings rates are not well defined. Site specific data required!

5. Recent research indicates savings rates can vary based on quality of fixture.

A plan is defined as a collection of scenarios which provides a higher-level of certainty in terms of potable water conservation savings estimates. Tampa Bay Water's plan is the compilation of the member government's six individual active plans.

Greenhouse Gas Calculations and Reduction Methodology

In early 2007 Tampa Bay Water developed a methodology to calculate greenhouse gas emissions directly associated with energy use in water production. This methodology provides a relationship between reduced potable water demand (conserved water), reduced electrical use by Tampa Bay Water and how these result in reductions in greenhouse gas emissions associated with saved water. This methodology was updated in 2009, 2013, 2014, and 2016 to include greenhouse gas emission reductions from change-out of hot water using appliances and technologies, in the residential and commercial sectors (2013) and changes to data collection and distribution methods (2014 and 2016). Furthermore, the data was updated in 2016 with 2016 Air Markets Program and 2014 eGrid data, both from the EPA. The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Associated with Water Production Methodology report can be found in Appendix F.

BMP Cost Effectiveness and Savings Potential

Through redevelopment and approval of the updated 2013 DMP, Tampa Bay Water identified various programs and potential BMPs that are generally not effective at reducing demand. In addition, many cost-effective and positive avoided cost programs/BMPs have not been implemented and/or saturation rates have not been met. Therefore, significant savings potential exists. The DMP determined an additional 12.31 mgd could be saved through active conservation programs, through programs meeting the screening criteria, by 2035. This criteria will change based on future agency water supply needs along with their associated costs. Table B provides specific information on programs that meet existing (2013) regional avoided cost objectives. Member government objectives may differ, so some programs not identified as meeting regional avoided cost benefits may meet their saving and cost requirements. Additionally, just using cost effectiveness does not take into account fixed utility costs nor do they account for passive market penetration changes.

**Table B. Regional Programs meeting
Cost Objectives (2013)**

Activity Name	Sector	Utility Costs (\$/unit)	Savings, Useful Life (yrs)	Unit Savings, (gpy)	Gallons Saved Over Useful Life	\$/1000 gal
Cooling Tower	NR	\$1,000	10	1,386,530	13,865,300	\$0.07
PRSV	NR	\$30	10	37,426	374,260	\$0.08
HEU (1/2 Gallon)	NR	\$125	30	18,928	567,853	\$0.22
ULFT (Valve-Type)	NR	\$125	30	17,970	539,100	\$0.23
Alternative Irrigation Source	SF	\$750	25	94,034	2,350,850	\$0.32
HET (Tank-Type)	NR	\$125	30	12,843	385,290	\$0.32
Residential HET	SF	\$100	25	11,542	288,550	\$0.35
ET/SMS Irrigation Controller	SF	\$200	10	56,645	566,450	\$0.35
Residential HET	MF	\$75	25	8,111	202,775	\$0.37
Conveyor Dishwasher	NR	\$500	20	59,951	1,199,020	\$0.42

Table C provides a listing of BMP implementation status (existing or historical) and relative cost effectiveness. Cost effectiveness is an evaluation of the dollar savings efficiency programs incur over a products water using lifetime versus cost of water in dollars/1000 gallons. Incentive programs requiring hardware changes only, without habit modification and with verified research, provide the most reliable documented savings. Indoor water conservation BMPs with well-defined default savings rates, consistent standards of technology, and detailed implementation strategies generally affect water use across sectors consistently throughout the year. Outdoor BMP savings rates are more difficult to quantify since there needs to be focus on surplus irrigators (those that use more than the theoretical water requirements of the landscape) in the single-family sector and irrigation use can change based on weather conditions, user preference and other external factors. Single family irrigation use estimates are provided in the DMP, but multi-family and non-residential irrigation use data needs to be developed on a case by case basis. Previous best management practice documents developed by Tampa Bay Water are generally not applicable and should not be used as new defaults supersede those documents.

Research and evaluation on use of automatic rain shut-off sensors (considered increased automation in survey results identified and evaluated in the 2013 DMP) indicate the potential for increased water use in some cases (opposite of what might be expected) or at least the lack of reduced water use. This increased automation might be a component of irrigation controller setting changes as well (the system remains pre-set and on to specific days per week). Additionally, recent research conducted by the University of

Florida on irrigation systems in the region and other parts of the state indicate rain sensor devices don't result in significant water savings in actual field conditions, whereas even in research conditions savings deteriorate over time (within one year) unless periodic maintenance is performed. This report includes some member proposed rain shut-off programming but verified savings have not been provided.

Existing reclaimed water program costs are based on individual project costs, member government estimates of infill costs, projections where connections may have been deactivated, and vary by location. Default potable water savings rates were modified consistent with evaluations conducted for the DMP, although member governments may provide alternative justifications for differing savings rates. Additionally, a tool in the WSC allows members to track individual reclaimed project costs and savings, while aggregating them into one scenario per sector of water use. The averages from more than one project per sector of water use is averaged and that savings rate is applied to all active connections in the scenario, including historical accounts. This can and has changed historical saving rates and overall saving estimates. Multi-family and non-residential savings estimates could be affected by these changes. Since members provide Tampa Bay Water with billing data and reclaimed water account information is provided in that data, actual reclaimed water account data is used for account total comparison.

Although reclaimed water used for irrigation is a very popular potable water conservation tool, initial capital outlays can be high, estimates of savings are variable, particularly for multi-family and non-residential settings where irrigable areas are highly variable, and new connections may be water demand that may not have occurred without reclaimed water availability. Members reclaimed water project costs are lowered when programs require new or existing development pay for and place distribution lines during construction.

Table C. BMP Implementation Status/Cost Effectiveness (CE)

BMP	Category	# Members Implementing	General Range of Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gallons saved)	Comments
Non-Potable Irrigation Source Replacement or Rebates*	(1) Reclaimed Water	6	0.50-6.48	Well established in SF sector. Most cost effective implementation/offset in non-residential
	(2) Groundwater from a Shallow Well	1	<0.50	Can be implemented where appropriate.
	(3) Other Irrigation Sources	1	<0.50	Includes cisterns, surface water, and any type of non-potable source.
Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates*	(1) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/o Rebates	2	0.40-2.61	Evaluation programs well established in parts of region. Savings not assured or well quantified, particularly MF and NR sectors.
	(2) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/ Irrigation Rebates	2	0.50-2.50	Savings assured. CE variable due to user size of irrigation system rebated and cost/rebate.
	(3) Landscape & Irrigation Evaluations w/ Irrigation & Landscape Rebates	0	0.50-2.50	Savings assured. CE variable due to size of landscape/irrigation system rebated and cost/rebate.
High-Efficiency Clothes Washer Replacement	(1) Coin-operated Self-serve Laundries (based on 19 units)	0	0.25-0.75	High savings potential. Laundries with high turns/washer lowest CE.
	(2) Common Area Washers (affects all units)	0	0.50-1.00	Opportunity to work with apartment or common area laundry association.
	(3) In Unit Washers (affects rebated units only)	0	>1.50	Enhanced with energy rebates.
	(4) SF Homes	0	>1.50	Enhanced with energy rebates.
Ultra Low Flush (ULF) Toilet Replacement	No Categories	4	0.50-0.72	Well established in SF. Most cost effective implementation in non-residential
High Efficiency Toilet (HET) Replacement	No Categories	3	0.50-0.93	Enhancing ULF replacement to this standard would increase water savings by 20%. Implemented in other parts of country and state.
Pre-rinse Spray Valve	No Categories	3	<0.50	Well Established in NR. Most cost effective implementation in NR.
Urinal Replacement	(1) High Efficiency Urinal	0	<0.50	Potential for both types of urinal replacement programs. Can be combined with ICI rebates.
Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Water-Use Evaluations/ Implementation	(1) w/Rebates	1	0.50-1.00	Providing rebates secures potential savings. Performance contractor can be used by end user to augment funds.
	(2) w/o Rebates	2	<0.50	Can be cost effective with good program management/follow-up, but savings are not insured without incentive or private performance contract.

* All outdoor irrigation modification or source replacement programs generally require existing irrigation to be from a potable source. Savings rates for multi-family and non-residential sector vary significantly from default savings values due to irrigated area differences.

Compilation of Member Five-Year Conservation Plans

Consistent with Tampa Bay Water Board Resolution 2013-006, annual collection of data associated with member government active implementation programs is required to evaluate remaining passive conservation in the system and to evaluate active conservation potential during periodic updates to the DMP. Quantification of active conservation measures being proposed for implementation over the next five years and those actually implemented historically are used (cost effectiveness is estimated for the upcoming 5-year period only).

Members generate savings estimates through the use of the WSC and default savings rates or their own savings per program, wherever possible. The overall water savings (exterior and interior) estimates for members, based on their proposed 5-year implementation plans, are presented in Appendix B. Combined water savings from programs affecting the exterior water use for all members are presented in Appendix C. A similar compilation of combined water savings from programs affecting the interior water use is presented in Appendix D. Implementation of specific BMPs by all member governments is summarized in Appendix E Tables 4-26. A key to the table structure is presented in the Key to Table Structure section. A review of applicable research can be found in Tampa Bay Water's DMP (http://www.tampabaywater.org/documents/conservation/2013_TampaBayWater-Water-Demand-Management-Plan.pdf) and in the DMP's Executive Summary which is found in Appendix A.

Education and Public Awareness Five-Year Programs

Education programs have been developed and implemented successfully by Tampa Bay Water (funding only), many members and the Southwest Florida Water Management District historically. Education programs are generally targeted toward specific age groups and/or sectors of the population. Some education programs are offered on an annual basis and are designed to educate the public on the need to conserve water and a means to modify future water use habits. In-school education programs have developed curriculum materials and are approved for use by the public school system. Generally, these programs offer specific curricula, a mechanism to measure knowledge, increase and change in water use habits.

The Florida Friendly Landscape program, implemented through county extension offices, is an example of a horticulture education and recognition program provided to the general public with some pre and post evaluated in Tampa Bay Water's DMP, with good results. Tampa Bay Water continues to fund this program throughout the region and expanded the program in 2014 with a focus on quantifiable water use

efficiency changes. Program components now include evaluation of field verified and surveyed water savings.

Public awareness programs also provide education to the public but are generally not quantifiable in nature. They reach a broad population base and are developed to keep issues in front of the public. No predefined curriculum is generally developed and mechanisms to measure their effectiveness are much broader and non-quantifiable than education programs. These programs promote conservation and can include specific BMPs that may be implemented by the public. Program specific costs should be included in the BMP being promoted.

Educational and public awareness programs and descriptions of member' specific conservation program implementation strategies, as provided by member governments and Tampa Bay Water, are attached in Appendix G. Educational programs are not included in the 5-year savings worksheets because water savings are neither defined nor quantifiable. However, these non-quantifiable member programs continue to be integral and are necessary to stimulate interest and awareness of conservation programs by the public.

A Key to the Table Structure

As described, a summary of estimated water savings and the associated costs for implemented BMPs are presented in Appendix E. Each table is similar in its structure and contains the “Cost”, “Annual Savings, MGD” and “Cumulative Water Savings, MGD” for each member government. The tables are subdivided by water use sectors (single family, multi-family and non-residential) to further disaggregate demand management programming. Estimated regional water savings (per year and cumulative savings) and costs for each year are presented at the bottom of each table. “Scenario Cost Effectiveness” is associated with the 2018-2022 5-year plans and does not include historical activity and 2017 data. Number of measures reflect all rebates/unit, evaluations and reclaimed water connections and are associated with member government' wholesale and retail water service areas. Reclaimed water customer connections are comprised of active accounts only. Therefore, actual account data can differ from gross number of connections made by a utility to a customer location. Additionally, reclaimed water project savings rate occurring in one year are currently combined and averaged and are used for both historical calculations of savings and projections. Tampa Bay Water staff have weighted existing savings rates with historical where both are known.

Values presented in each table have been divided into three main categories; “Historical Activity,” “Current Year” and the “5-year plan.” Historical activity includes the cost and water savings up through WY-16. The Current Year Column is identified as 2017 since these numbers approximate totals from that year (reports were designed to be completed at end of the water year). All costs and savings prior to 1996 are summarized under the column heading “Pre-1996” programs in Appendix E. This was necessary since 1995 was considered the base year (Master Water Plan conservation goals adopted in December 1995) and water savings from programs implemented prior to 1996 would be included in the actual water use data for 1995. Therefore, the cumulative water savings include savings from WY96-2022.

Appendix B represents the estimated combined potable water savings of all Tampa Bay Water members. Savings are broken down by member and by year in the five-year plan. Program costs were provided based upon estimates from member governments and should reflect total government program costs for the five-year plan. Cumulative estimated regional savings are provided for both pre-1996 programs and from WY-96 forward. For example, at the end of WY 2022 approximately 27.57 million gallons per day (mgd) would be saved if all programs identified are funded, implemented, they actually offset anticipated potable demand and the savings rates identified are met throughout the program life.

Summary

According to member government actual and projected 5-year water conservation plans, it is estimated the region cumulatively saved approximately 24.51 mgd of potable water by the end of WY 2017 and will save up to a total of 28.17 mgd of potable water by the end of FY 2022. The projections assume that savings rates and quantity of changes proposed are achieved for all BMPs throughout the program life. The default savings values developed in the WSC are based on either results from the 2013 Demand Management Plan (DMP) or other generally applicable research results in most cases. Default savings rates were modified in 2014 to more accurately reflect the results associated with analysis in the DMP. Where default savings rates were not established, member government specific information is required. Additionally, variability in actual and estimated accounting reflects significant differences in estimated savings rates for some members from year to year.

Potable water savings resulting from reclaimed water use account for approximately 17.94mgd of the 24.51 mgd potable water that was projected saved through 2017. Reclaimed water use offsets are accounted for in Tampa Bay Water’s long-term demand forecast model, as are historically implemented BMP’s. Using targeted number of new reclaimed water connections can provide an empirical method to verify and validate potable savings assumed by members.

Greenhouse gas and electric consumption reductions were calculated based on the methodology developed by Tampa Bay Water. Calculations are based on actual water production from Tampa Bay Water facilities. Since facility operation may vary from year to year and 2007 was the first year of calculation, the baseline is considered 2007 and future estimates were not calculated due to potential changes in source water production and changes in production efficiency. Non-potable alternative water supply-related potable water conservation offsets (i.e. reclaimed water, shallow wells) require electricity to operate and are not evaluated in this methodology, but could be evaluated by member governments. Regional water conservation related carbon dioxide equivalents were calculated for nitrous oxide (310 times more powerful than CO₂) and methane (21 times more powerful than CO₂) in the following calculations. In 2017, carbon dioxide equivalent reductions, based on 2014 eGrid data emissions data, were estimated to be 24,200 tons. In 2009, the greenhouse gas reduction methodology was expanded to include hot water conserving technology for mostly residential water uses, but included commercial pre-rinse spray valve technology. Between 2007 and 2017 it is estimated that potable water conservation programs in the region reduced carbon dioxide equivalent emissions by 205,207 tons. This is equivalent to 43,661 cars emissions reduced over 10 years.

Pinellas County's plan includes wholesale and retail potable customers that have distribute wholesale County purchased water into their system, while the County distributes reclaimed water. This includes Pinellas Park, South Pasadena and St. Pete Beach.

The Compilation of Member Government 5-year Conservation Plans are updated annually, through member government input and will be used to evaluate future potential in the 2018 update to the Demand Management Plan.

Appendix A

Demand Management Plan (DMP)



Tampa Bay Water Water Demand Management Plan Final Report

December 2013

Executive Summary

ES.1 Background

Tampa Bay Water currently helps meet the water demands of more than 2.3 million people in the tri-county region. Residential demands accounted for nearly 75 percent of billed water consumption, with the remainder associated with the needs of commercial businesses and industry. The agency has been actively involved in quantifying water demand and potential changes in demand through water use efficiency efforts, mainly through member government implementation, since adoption of its original demand management plan the mid 1990's. Additionally, the agency developed tools to quantify ongoing member water use efficiency programs that helped to meet original Board of Directors adopted planning goals.

In 2013, approximately one-half of the water supplies for Tampa Bay Water member governments were dependent on the timing and quantity of local and regional rainfall. In order to meet reliability goals, it is important to understand how variability and uncertainties affect the planning and development of water supplies. As Tampa Bay Water's reliance on surface water and other alternative water sources continues to increase, the value of increased water use efficiency in managing future long-term supply needs has become evident. As new supply development costs continue to increase, avoided cost of water supply becomes a more critical element of the water supply planning process.

The Demand Management Plan (DMP) is an element of the Agency's Long-term Water Supply Plan and investigates the benefits and costs of water demand management as a quantifiable, alternative water supply source. The DMP is considered one component of the agency's strategic goals to achieve reliability of its water supply and delivery system to its member governments.

Demand side management efforts are intended to serve as a complementary component to traditional water supply planning processes in meeting current and future water demands. Demand-side management encompasses a set of activities designed to:

- Provide a better understanding of how and why water is used;
- Forecast human demands for water supplies;
- Develop prospective water-using efficiency (demand reduction) measures;
- Identify programmatic and project goals, evaluation criteria, performance measures, and monitoring mechanisms;

- Define and evaluate program effectiveness and goal achievement; and
- Evaluate the benefits and costs of efficiency measures as an alternative or complement to supply development.

Through efficient use of available supplies and use of targeted implementation strategies, water use efficiency can help manage peak and average day water demand in conjunction with reducing long-term future water supply requirements. Cost-effective alternatives to new supply development and other valuable benefits can be realized through demand side management including: optimization of existing facilities, deferred capital investment costs, improved public perception, support of future supply projects, and environmental stewardship and protection.

ES.2 Components of Tampa Bay Water's DMP

This DMP consists of a comprehensive investigation of benefits and costs of integrated water demand management as a quantifiable, alternative to conventional water supply sources, reflecting improvements in the state of water use efficiency occurring since 1995 when the first DMP was adopted. The update includes an evaluation of potential demand management projects as a beneficial tool for long-term water supply planning. Results define how water efficiency activities may fit into Tampa Bay Water's long-term water supply planning process, which includes supply reliability and member government long range demand projections. The DMP report is organized into seven sections:

- Section 1: Introduction
- Section 2: Data Collection and Database Integration
- Section 3: Regional Baseline Water Demand Profile
- Section 4: Analysis of Water Technologies and Baseline Water Use Efficiency
- Section 5: Passive Water Efficiency Evaluation
- Section 6: Active Water Efficiency Alternatives Evaluation
- Section 7: Summary and Recommended Strategies

The demand management evaluation effort includes an analysis of water savings (past and future) and an analysis of avoided supply costs related to improved water use efficiency. The "avoided supply cost" analysis considers increments of conserved water versus (a) cost to operate existing water supply sources and (b) total cost (capital and operating costs) to develop new water supply. Consideration of cost savings and water supply benefits permits a consistent "apples to apples" comparison to other water supply alternatives.

ES.3 Regional Baseline Water Demand Profile

Demand profiling provides a greater understanding of demand trends and how these trends relate to or can be affected by water use efficiency improvements. The Regional Baseline Water Demand Profile quantifies and describes the water using and economic characteristics of Tampa Bay Water’s member government customers. This includes an assessment of water savings estimates achieved from previously implemented conservation programs and the market for water efficiency technologies. The regional profile includes analyses of water use patterns among the major water using sectors in the Tampa Bay region.

ES.3.1 Distribution of Water Use

Characterization of water use relies on identification and assessment of water use trends over time, across sectors and geographies. Regionally, there are three major common sectoral uses of water, single-family residential (SF), multifamily residential (MF), and nonresidential (NR), which includes water used by businesses and institutions. The distribution of regional sectoral demands is illustrated in Figure ES.1. Regionally, single-family demand is greater than multifamily and nonresidential demands combined.

Weather-sensitive and weather-insensitive components of single-family demand were estimated regionally and for each member government over WY 2002 - 2008. Weather insensitive demand - predominantly indoor use - is generally influenced by the number of people residing in a household along with the presence and efficiency levels of various indoor domestic end uses (e.g., toilets, washing machines, etc.). Outdoor end uses are weather sensitive and tend to be a highly variable component of total water use. Outdoor uses are influenced both by weather and socioeconomic factors. Figure ES.2 illustrates the estimated proportion of weather-sensitive demands in the single-family sector by month through time. Annual average single-family household demand over the period 2002-2008 is 229 gpd, and is estimated to include 52 gpd of weather-sensitive and 177 gpd of weather-insensitive demand.

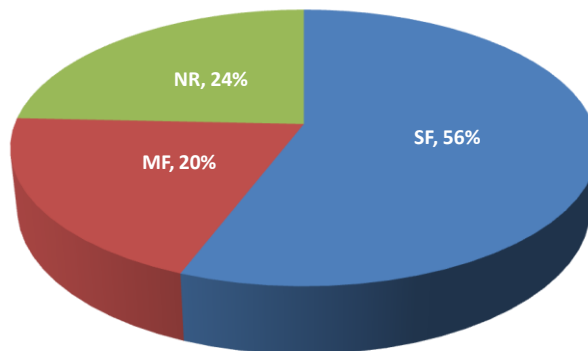


Figure ES.1: Distribution of Regional Sectoral Water Demands

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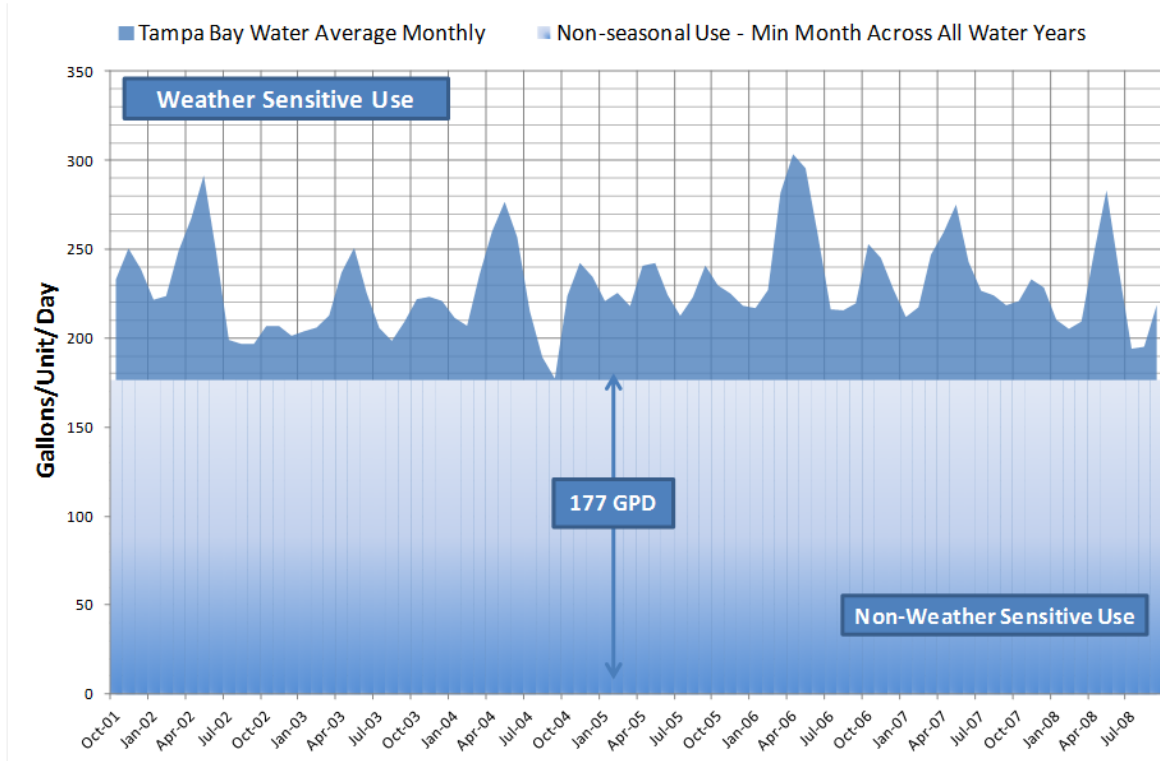


Figure ES.2: Regional Single-Family Weather-Sensitive and Weather-Insensitive Demands

ES.3.2 Evaluation of Achieved Water Savings from Existing Programs

Statistical evaluations were undertaken to measure and verify impacts of existing conservation programs implemented by member governments. The results of these evaluations can be summarized as follows:

- Member government ultra-low flow toilet rebate programs - The data indicates households having received one or more rebates, used nearly 12 percent less water on average after the change out of the toilet. Further analyses indicate homes with only one rebate averaged a 10.8 percent reduction.
- Florida-Friendly landscapes - Homes recognized by the County Extension offices as having both water wise landscape design and efficient irrigation technology and practices, used about 3-5 percent less after one year of participation and from 5-9 percent after two years.
- Member government irrigation evaluation programs - Although significant potential may exist, results suggest a diminution of savings over time, with an estimated reduction in water use by about 7 percent after one year of participating and only 3 percent after two years.

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ES.4 Analysis of Water Technologies and Baseline Water Use Efficiency

Through a literature review of available and emerging technologies/programs, a water efficiency program library (WEPL) of technically-applicable demand management technologies, programs and best management practices was developed for potential application in the Tampa Bay region. The library includes technologies and programs identified for preliminary assessment and information relating to cost, end use reduction, and durability, providing a menu of water conservation options expected to result in measurable water savings. Examples of residential end use technologies include toilets, showerheads, faucets, clothes washers, dishwashers and irrigation. Nonresidential end uses generally include those found in the residential sector, but also consist of technologies that can use substantial quantities of water used for cooling, heating and process water including product development (e.g. food service).

Estimates of water savings potential was based on a changing mix of water using technology, as well as the rate (or intensity) at which water using technology was used. Assessment of technology and program based savings potential required base-year (2008) estimates of distribution of fixture age and efficiency in region by sector of water use and market penetration of water efficient technologies. These estimates provide a baseline for examining remaining water efficiency potential over the agency's long-term water demand horizon (2035).

Parcel data provided current estimates of the distribution of fixture age and efficiency in region by sector of water use. In addition, a regional single-family survey was conducted to assist in quantifying prevailing water end uses and behaviors and the remaining potential for efficient technology. Market penetration by passive measures were assumed to be associated with plumbing standards and increased efficiency due to an evolving market (supply and demand) for water efficient products recognized or certified through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) WaterSense label and/or Energy Star programs.

Figure ES.3 illustrates estimated distribution of regional single-family water demands by end use in gallons per capita day for the Tampa Bay region. Table 1 provides estimated average end use flow rates. Based on this assessment, the greatest efficiency potential appears to exist in toilet, clothes washer and dishwasher use, with potential reductions in the 27-33 percent range under current federal standards and in the 33-55 percent range under high efficiency product benchmarks.

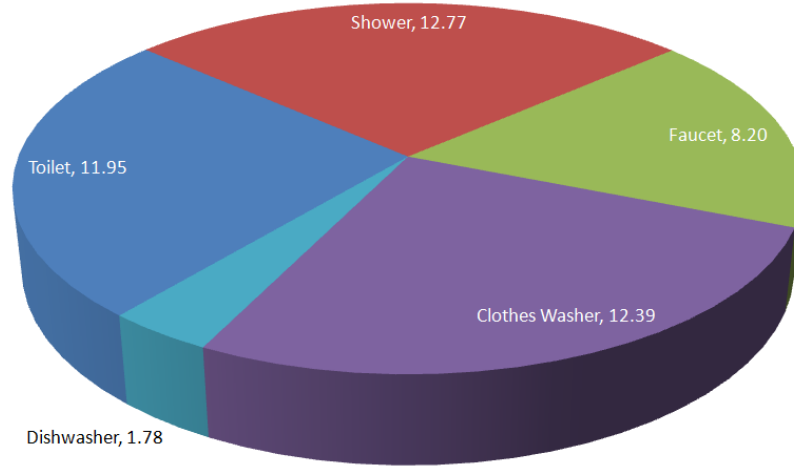


Figure ES.3: Estimated Distribution of Regional Single-Family End Uses of Water in Gallons/Capita/Day

**Table ES-1
Estimated Baseline Single-Family Flow Rates, Gallons per Event (2008)**

End Use	Tampa Bay Water	Current Standard	High Efficiency	Estimated % Reduction w/Standard Benchmark	Estimated % Reduction w/High Efficiency Benchmark
Toilet	2.39	1.60	1.28	-33%	-46%
Shower	2.10	2.50	2.00	19%	-5%
Faucet	1.01	2.20	1.50	117%	48%
Clothes Washer ¹	33.49	24.62	15.00	-26%	-55%
Dishwasher ²	8.90	6.50	6.00	-27%	-33%

¹ Current standard based on 9.5 Water Factor, 2.7 cubic feet per load and .96 loads per day

² Current standard based on federal dishwasher standard effective January 2010.

ES.5 Evaluation of Water Efficiency Alternatives

Water savings can be realized from either passive or active water use efficiency measures.

- *Passive* water efficiency is achieved through a natural process of replacing old fixtures with new, more efficient fixtures as they wear out or become effectively obsolete or installing efficient water-using fixtures in new construction due to either codes or driven by market changes. Passive water efficiency typically occurs indoors with the replacement of toilets, clothes washers, dishwashers, and urinals.

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- **Active** water efficiency measures include programs designed to expedite the replacement process described above. Such programs are often sponsored by water utilities to ensure a target installation rate and associated water savings and can include outdoor efficiency technologies.

Estimating passive water savings is essential in determining efficacy of active water efficiency programs and for projecting long term water demands. Before the potential benefits of active water efficiency alternatives can be assessed, passive savings must be estimated.

An assessment of remaining passive efficiency potential was used to identify, develop, screen and select technically applicable active alternatives. The WEPL contains the complete listing of available indoor and outdoor measures for new homes, existing homes, and non-residential uses.

ES.5.1 Passive Water Efficiency Evaluation

The U.S. Energy Policy Act (EPAAct), effective in 1994, mandated flow standards for many fixtures (e.g., toilets, faucets and showerheads, among others). Since then, manufacturers have introduced and marketed fixtures and appliances, which far exceed EPA standards, leading to EPA WaterSense and Energy Star programming, which certify and label products meeting consumer expectations while performing at rates lower than current national efficiency standards. These programs influence the market by encouraging consumers to purchase high-efficiency (HE) water products. WaterSense labeled products require independent third-party certification of performance and product durability, insuring product use is consistent with labeling over a defined life. As consumers decide to purchase and install HE water products, water consumption efficiency increases.

The current (2011) Tampa Bay Water baseline demand forecast reflects water use of existing HE products within sectoral per account water use calculations, but does not integrate changes predicted in future product penetration. Accounting for prospective changes in market penetration allows adjustment to the baseline demand forecast reflecting market-based passive demand reductions.

Assumptions about efficiency standards, fixture life, and market penetration of high efficiency products, were used to estimate fixture distributions and water use for each year in the long-term demand forecast. Passive savings were estimated for residential toilets, washing machines and dishwashers as well as non-residential toilets and urinals. Figure ES.4 illustrates the estimated reduction in water demands from passive demand management programs relative to the baseline water demand forecast over the planning

horizon. By 2035, approximately 26 MGD of water savings potential is estimated and attributable to passive efficiency.

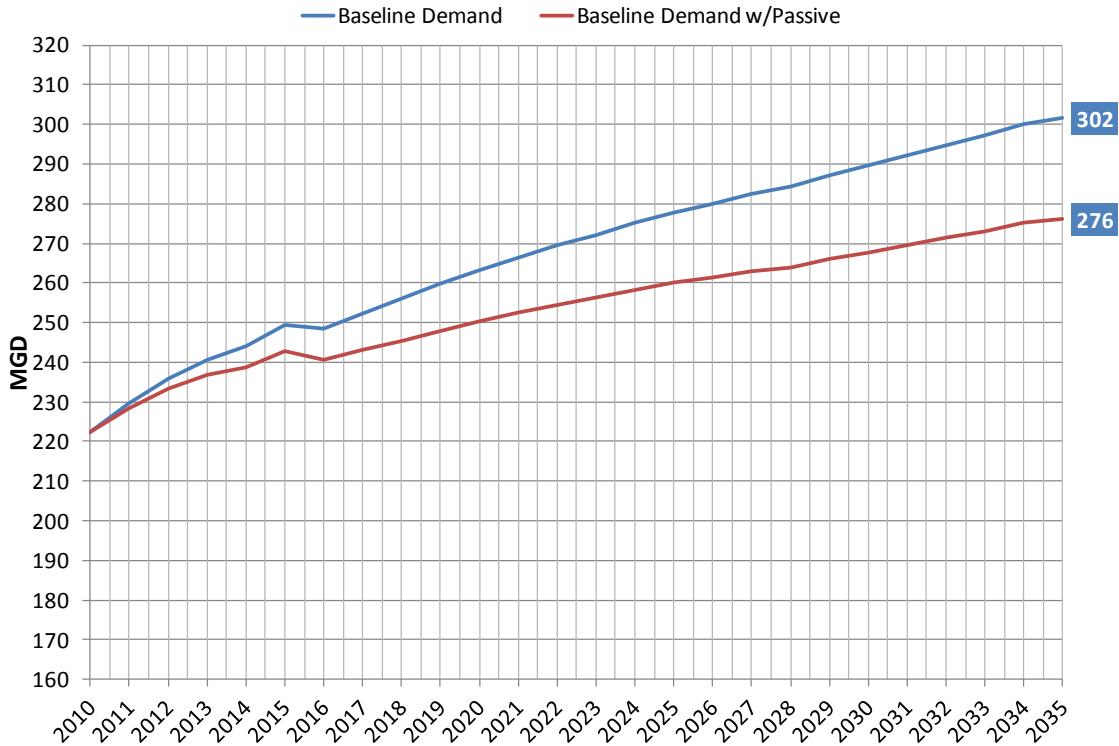


Figure ES.4: Baseline Demand Forecast with Passive Savings

ES.5.2 Active Water Efficiency Alternatives Evaluation

ES.5.2.1 Screening and Selection of Active Efficiency Technologies / Programs

Remaining market potential for water efficient technology (beyond what is likely accounted for by passive measures) was determined through the 2035 demand forecast planning horizon by screening the applicability of several active (utility-sponsored) programs. The screening process included 24 programs / technologies, either applied through existing programs (regionally and nationally), or developed based upon specific application of technologies in specific sectors or water end uses. Regional and national literature and other secondary sources, along with information gleaned from survey and analysis of regional water use characteristics supported the screening process.

The 10 programs meeting screening criteria and selected for inclusion in the Demand Management Plan portfolio are shown in Table 2. Of the 10 programs, 6 programs are applicable to the nonresidential (NR) sector, 3 to the single-family (SF) sector and 1 to

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the multi-family (MF) sector. Estimates of gallons saved reflect savings over the life of each measure, which vary depending on measure implementation assumptions, unit savings rates, and useful life of the technology. Programs not meeting this criteria may be cost effective for public use but do not offset future regional variable costs of water.

Estimates of cost-effectiveness were critical for screening, ranking and selection of conservation measures. Evaluation of relative cost-effectiveness of measures required estimation of the unit cost of water saved (\$/1000 gallons) for each active measure. Estimated unit costs were compared with unit costs of supply alternatives to evaluate the viability of demand management alternatives. As identified in Table ES-2, the most cost-effective program is cooling tower retrofits at an average cost of \$0.07/1000 gallons. The least cost-effective program identified selected is the Conveyor Dishwasher incentive program at an average cost of \$0.42/1000 gallons.

**Table ES-2
Water Efficiency Measures Meeting Screening Criteria**

Activity Name	Class	Utility Costs (\$/unit)	Savings, Useful Life (yrs)	Unit Savings, (gpy)	Gallons Saved Over Useful Life	\$/1000 gal	BCR
Cooling Tower	NR	\$1,000	10	1,386,530	13,865,300	\$0.07	8.15
PRSV	NR	\$30	10	37,426	374,260	\$0.08	5.93
HEU (1/2 Gallon)	NR	\$125	30	18,928	567,853	\$0.22	1.24
ULFT (Valve-Type)	NR	\$125	30	17,970	539,100	\$0.23	1.29
Alternative Irrigation Source	SF	\$750	25	94,034	2,350,850	\$0.32	1.17
HET (Tank-Type)	NR	\$125	30	12,843	385,290	\$0.32	0.88
Residential HET	SF	\$100	25	11,542	288,550	\$0.35	1.09
ET/SMS Irrigation Controller	SF	\$200	10	56,645	566,450	\$0.35	1.82
Residential HET	MF	\$75	25	8,111	202,775	\$0.37	1.01
Conveyor Dishwasher	NR	\$500	20	59,951	1,199,020	\$0.42	1.08

ES.5.2.2 Development of Alternative “with Conservation” Demand Forecasts

Estimated impacts of passive water savings and potential active demand management alternatives on the region’s long-term demands were evaluated over the planning horizon. Table ES-3 presents the 2010-2035 reliability-based (75th percentile) baseline water demand projections in five-year increments as compared to the demand projections produced when passive and active demand management programs are considered. Figure ES.5 illustrates the magnitude of estimated water demand reductions from both passive and active savings relative to the 75th percentile baseline demand forecast and current sustainable system capacity. As shown in Table ES-4, by 2035, a total of 37.8 MGD of water use reduction and savings potential was identified. Of this total, 25.5 MGD of wa-

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ter use reduction is associated with the impact of passive changes, while the estimated additional savings from active efficiency is 12.3 MGD.

**Table ES-3
Comparison of Demand Projections Scenarios with Passive and Active Savings**

Forecast Scenario (75th percentile)	Projected Water Demand (MGD)						Absolute Change	% Change 2008- 2035	Average Annual % Change
	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035			
Baseline Demand	222.2	249.3	263.3	277.8	289.7	301.5	79.3	35.7%	1.23%
Passive Savings	222.2	242.8	250.4	260.0	267.8	276.0	53.8	24.2%	0.87%
Passive/Active Savings	222.2	242.4	246.9	252.7	257.8	263.7	41.5	18.7%	0.69%

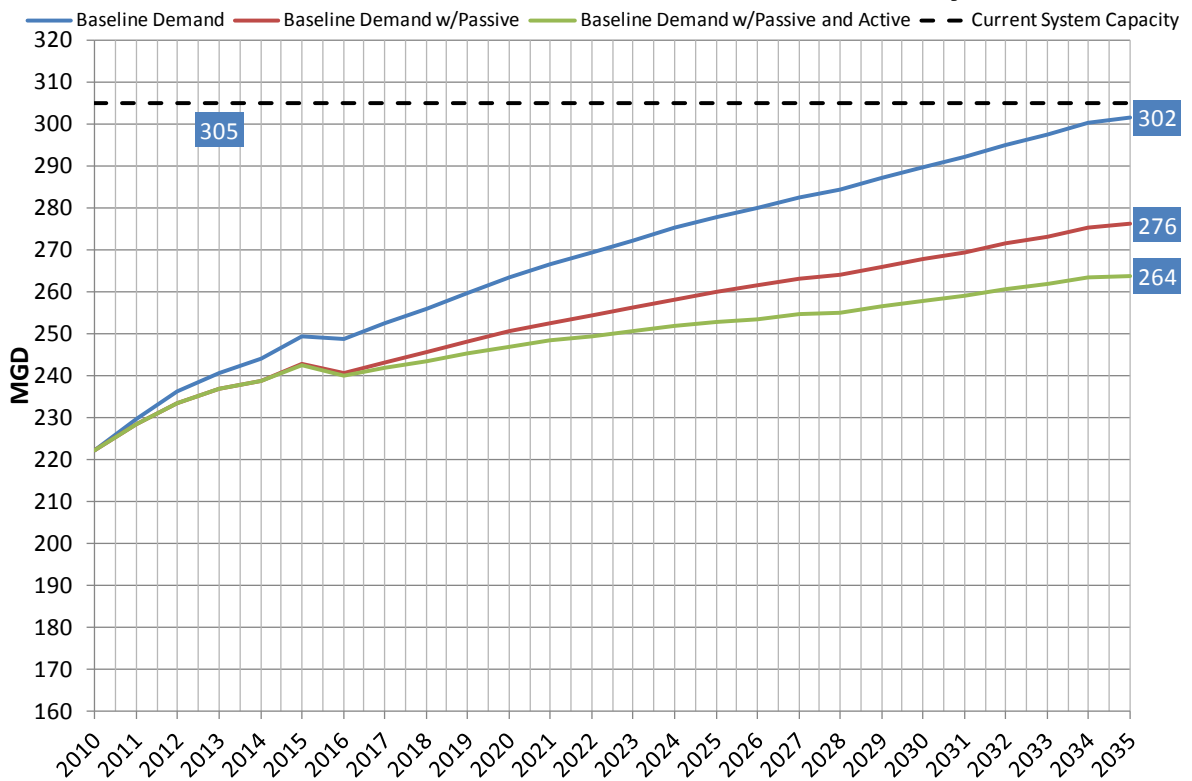


Figure ES.5: Baseline Demand Forecast with Passive and Active Savings

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**Table ES-4
Projected Water Savings from Passive and Active Water Conservation**

Forecast Scenario (75th percentile)	Projected Water Savings (MGD) / Percent Reduction					
	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035
Passive Savings	0/0	6.6/2.6	12.9/4.9	17.8/6.4	21.9/7.6	25.5/8.5
Active Savings	0/0	0.3/0.1	3.5/1.3	7.3/2.6	10.0/3.5	12.3/4.1
Passive and Active Savings	0/0	6.9/2.8	16.4/6.2	25.1/9.0	31.9/11	37.8/12.5

ES.5.2.3 Avoided Cost Analysis of Alternative Demand Management Strategies

Quantification of supply-side benefits are based on the accrual of avoided costs demonstrates the benefits of proposed efficiency measures and deferral of source development. Avoided costs (or benefits) from water use efficiency generally result from¹:

- Capital deferral;
- Capital elimination; and
- Reduction in variable cost.

Savings and costs were determined over a 60-year planning horizon (2010-2069) allowing savings rates in this analysis to mature over the life of the technology installed. Net avoided costs of viable demand management alternatives were evaluated over two separate timeframes; the total life of all savings and through the 2035 forecast horizon. When costs and benefits of the portfolio of viable demand management alternatives are evaluated over total life of the savings (through the end of 2065), a net present value of \$25.8 million in benefits was identified (as shown in Table ES-5). Given these benefits and costs, the collective portfolio of demand management alternatives has a B/C ratio (benefits / costs) of 1.82. When costs and benefits are evaluated over the much shorter 2035 forecast horizon, the net present value of avoided costs remain positive but is reduced to \$8.6 million.

**Table ES-5
Net Present Value (NPV) of Avoided Costs**

	PV Cost (\$M)	PV Benefit (\$M)	NPV (\$M)	BCR
Life of Savings to 2065	\$31.3	\$57.1	\$25.8	1.82
Life of Savings to 2035	\$31.3	\$39.9	\$8.6	1.28

¹Typically, avoided capital and operating costs from greater water efficiency are also associated with greater environmental benefits, because more water is available to serve ecological purposes. Environmental benefits of greater efficiency were not quantified as part of the Demand Management Plan Update.

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ES.6 Tampa Bay Water Demand Management Plan Directives

As exemplified in Figure 5, incorporation of passive water use efficiency projections into the forecast reduces the demand forecast by 26 mgd in 2035, creating additional regional operational and supply flexibility. Based on this analysis and the need to track passive water use efficiency changes over time, The Tampa Bay Water Board of Directors adopted Board Resolution No. 2013-006 in February 2013 (Appendix Q). This resolution incorporates water use efficiency evaluation efforts into the Agency long-term water supply planning process consistent and in concert with the recommendations of this DMP. This resolution directs the Agency to:

- Develop and implement data collection, management and analysis protocols and procedures for the continued assessment of passive water use efficiency within Tampa Bay Water's service area.
- Integrate passive water-use efficiency into the Agency's Long-term Demand Forecast and Future Need Analysis.
- Include the Water Use Efficiency Evaluation as an element of the Long-term Water Supply Plan and include an updated evaluation of potential active measures for implementing efficient water-use products as part of future options for the next Long-term Water Supply

Incorporation of the effects of increased water-use efficiency into the Agency's long-term planning process provides the Board of Directors with more supply policy options, affords Tampa Bay Water and its member governments a supply buffer (increased water use efficiency reduces demand) and allows Tampa Bay Water to prepare and plan for observed and anticipated changes in water use efficiency. These activities should continue to be supported by the types of analytical methods and strategies described in this DMP, and through deliberate integration of anticipated water savings into ongoing water demand forecasting and supply planning.

Appendix B

Members Total (Exterior and Interior) Water Savings

Members Total (Interior & Exterior) Water Savings Report



	Historical Activity			5 - Year Plan					Total Cost	Plan Cost Effectiveness (\$/ 1000 gal.) FY 2018 - FY 2022	
	Pre - 1996	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hillsborough County											
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.13	5.99	0.03	0.18	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.10			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.13	5.99	6.01	6.19	6.38	6.57	6.76	6.36			
Annual Cost	\$673,057	\$14,210,683	\$51,285	\$300,802	\$290,902	\$272,555	\$255,389	\$117,486	\$ 1,237,134		0.22
Pasco County											
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.01	2.80	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.01	2.80	2.94	3.09	3.23	3.38	3.52	3.67			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$360,943	\$43,489	\$78,500	\$73,364	\$68,565	\$64,079	\$59,887	\$ 344,396		0.07
Pinellas County											
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	10.33	0.25	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	10.33	10.58	10.91	11.25	11.58	11.91	12.24			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$212,378,782	\$5,870,308	\$8,384,244	\$7,835,742	\$7,323,123	\$6,844,041	\$6,396,300	\$ 36,783,450		3.37
City of New Port Richey											
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$144	\$0	\$9,347	\$2,016	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 11,363		0.74
City of St. Petersburg											
Annual Savings (MGD)	1.79	2.83	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.07	0.01			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	1.79	2.83	2.90	2.96	3.04	3.09	3.15	1.38			
Annual Cost	\$21,556,260	\$15,200,003	\$161,529	\$290,657	\$258,517	\$191,802	\$206,097	\$132,412	\$ 1,079,485		0.60
City of Tampa											
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.19	2.02	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03			
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.19	2.02	2.02	2.05	2.08	2.11	2.15	2.18			
Annual Cost	\$813,056	\$26,161,684	\$-131,328	\$517,560	\$483,701	\$452,057	\$422,483	\$394,844	\$ 2,270,643		2.22
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	2.12	24.03	0.49	0.75	0.77	0.75	0.76	0.63			
Total Cum. Savings (mgd)	2.12	24.03	24.51	25.27	26.03	26.78	27.54	28.17			
Total Annual Cost	\$23,042,373	\$268,312,239	\$5,995,283	\$9,581,109	\$8,944,242	\$8,308,102	\$7,792,089	\$7,100,928	\$ 41,726,471		1.73

Appendix C

Members Exterior Water Savings



	Historical Activity			5 - Year Plan					Total Cost	Plan Cost Effectiveness (\$/ 1000 gal.) FY 2018 - FY 2022
	Pre - 1996	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Hillsborough County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	4.46	0.02	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.10		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	4.46	4.48	4.65	4.82	4.99	5.16	4.89		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$6,640,175	\$25,000	\$224,456	\$219,551	\$205,872	\$193,068	\$117,486	\$ 960,432	0.19
Pasco County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.01	2.73	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.01	2.73	2.86	2.99	3.12	3.25	3.38	3.50		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0	0.00
Pinellas County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	8.03	0.25	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	8.03	8.28	8.61	8.94	9.28	9.61	9.94		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$197,016,074	\$5,870,308	\$8,384,244	\$7,835,742	\$7,323,123	\$6,844,041	\$6,396,300	\$ 36,783,450	3.37
City of New Port Richey										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0	0.00
City of St. Petersburg										
Annual Savings (MGD)	1.79	2.46	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.01		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	1.79	2.46	2.50	2.54	2.59	2.63	2.68	1.38		
Annual Cost	\$21,556,260	\$14,778,593	\$91,154	\$207,451	\$227,542	\$162,853	\$179,042	\$126,759	\$ 903,647	0.72
City of Tampa										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.04	1.45	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.04	1.45	1.46	1.49	1.52	1.55	1.58	1.61		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$23,476,982	\$-131,328	\$517,560	\$483,701	\$452,057	\$422,483	\$394,844	\$ 2,270,643	2.22
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	1.84	19.19	0.45	0.69	0.72	0.69	0.71	0.61		
Total Cum. Savings (mgd)	1.84	19.19	19.64	20.33	21.05	21.74	22.45	23.06		
Total Annual Cost	\$21,556,260	\$241,911,824	\$5,855,134	\$9,333,711	\$8,766,535	\$8,143,905	\$7,638,633	\$7,035,388	\$ 40,918,172	1.81

Appendix D

Members Interior Water Savings

Members Combined Interior Water Savings Report



	Historical Activity			5 - Year Plan					Total Cost	Plan Cost Effectiveness (\$/ 1000 gal.) FY 2018 - FY 2022
	Pre - 1996	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Hillsborough County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.13	1.52	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.13	1.52	1.53	1.55	1.56	1.58	1.60	1.47		
Annual Cost	\$673,057	\$7,570,508	\$26,285	\$76,346	\$71,351	\$66,683	\$62,321	\$0	\$ 276,701	0.61
Pasco County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.07	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.13	0.15	0.16		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$360,943	\$43,489	\$78,500	\$73,364	\$68,565	\$64,079	\$59,887	\$ 344,396	0.66
Pinellas County										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	2.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$15,362,708	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0	0.00
City of New Port Richey										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$144	\$0	\$9,347	\$2,016	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 11,363	0.74
City of St. Petersburg										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.37	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.00	0.37	0.40	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.48	0.00		
Annual Cost	\$0	\$421,410	\$70,375	\$83,206	\$30,975	\$28,949	\$27,055	\$5,653	\$ 175,838	0.32
City of Tampa										
Annual Savings (MGD)	0.15	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Cumulative Savings (MGD)	0.15	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56		
Annual Cost	\$813,056	\$2,684,702	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0	0.00
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.28	4.84	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.02		
Total Cum. Savings (mgd)	0.28	4.84	4.87	4.94	4.99	5.04	5.09	5.10		
Total Annual Cost	\$1,486,113	\$26,400,415	\$140,149	\$247,399	\$177,707	\$164,197	\$153,455	\$65,540	\$ 808,299	0.52

Appendix E

BMP Implementation Status



Description: Rain Sensor Giveaway Prog. 2017 - MF	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	202	5	5	5	5	5		\$ 505	15	0.20
Savings Rate (gpad)	94	94	94	94	94	94	94	94			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Cost / Connection	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$4,646	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		15	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Total Cost	\$0	\$4,646	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$ 505		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.



Description: Rain Sensor Giveaway Prog. 2017 - NR	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
City of St. Petersburg	0	358	5	5	5	5	5	5	\$ 505	156	0.02
Accounts / Year	951	951	951	951	951	951	951	951			
Savings Rate (gpad)	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23			
Cost / Connection Annual Cost	\$0	\$8,234	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			156	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36				
Total Cost	\$0	\$8,234	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115	\$115		\$ 505		

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* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

BMP Template
Outdoor
Single Family



The objective of this BMP is to allow flexibility for a member government to create its own BMP or to combine two or more BMPs. This BMP is for outdoor water use by single family residences.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
Description: Hillsborough SMS Rebate-SF 2018											
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	0	0	0	50	100	100	100		\$ 64,633	342	0.45
Savings Rate (gpad)	155	155	155	155	155	155	155	155			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.05				
Cost / Connection	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
Description: Florida Water Star Rebate SF 2017-2018											
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	0	0	40	30	10	0	0	\$ 53,740	75	0.72
Savings Rate (gpad)	132	132	132	132	132	132	132	132			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01			
Cost / Connection	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$28,000	\$21,000	\$7,000	\$0	\$0			
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	4,483	100	50	100	50	100		\$ 8,077	321	0.15
Savings Rate (gpad)	122	122	122	122	122	122	122	122			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.55	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.55	0.56	0.58	0.59	0.60	0.61				
Cost / Connection	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$103,109	\$2,300	\$1,150	\$2,300	\$1,150	\$2,300				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.55	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.00		738	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.55	0.56	0.58	0.61	0.63	0.66	0.66			
Total Cost	\$0	\$103,109	\$2,300	\$39,150	\$43,300	\$28,150	\$22,300	\$0	\$ 126,451		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Non-Potable Irrigation Sources
Groundwater from a shallow well
Single Family



This program provides rebates to single-family residents that change their irrigation water source from potable to groundwater by installing a groundwater well.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Pinellas County											
Accounts / Year	0	1,533	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	199	199	199	199	199	199	199	199			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31			
Cost / Connection	\$340	\$340	\$340	\$340	\$340	\$340	\$340	\$340			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$521,220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31			
Total Cost	\$0	\$521,220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0		

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* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

Non-Potable Irrigation Sources
Reclaimed Water
Multi-Family



Multi-family residences are provided reclaimed water service to replace potable water as their irrigation source.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)	
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022				
Hillsborough County												
Accounts / Year	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Pasco County												
Accounts / Year	50	2,100	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Pinellas County												
Accounts / Year	0	939	14	76	76	76	76	76				
Savings Rate (gpad)	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.28	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	\$ 2,229,300	749	2.98	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.28	0.29	0.31	0.33	0.35	0.38	0.40				
Cost / Connection	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$6,278,154	\$93,604	\$508,136	\$508,136	\$508,136	\$508,136	\$508,136				
City of New Port Richey												
Accounts / Year	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
City of St. Petersburg												
Accounts / Year	0	239	2	2	2	2	1	1				
Savings Rate (gpad)	713	713	713	713	713	713	713	713				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 22,557	38	0.59	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18				
Cost / Connection	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$749,265	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$3,135	\$3,135				
City of Tampa												
Accounts / Year	0	96	10	10	10	10	10	10				
Savings Rate (gpad)	625	625	625	625	625	625	625	625				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	\$ 220,063	205	1.07	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.10				
Cost / Connection	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$481,536	\$50,160	\$50,160	\$50,160	\$50,160	\$50,160	\$50,160				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.51	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03		993		
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.51	0.52	0.55	0.58	0.62	0.65	0.67				
Total Cost	\$0	\$7,508,955	\$150,034	\$564,566	\$564,566	\$564,566	\$561,431	\$561,431	\$ 2,471,920			

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Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

Non-Potable Irrigation Sources
Reclaimed Water
Non-Residential



Non-residential properties are provided reclaimed water service to replace potable water as their irrigation source.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)	
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022				
Hillsborough County												
Accounts / Year	0	126	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Pasco County												
Accounts / Year	120	138	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Pinellas County												
Accounts / Year	0	1,178	224	56	56	56	56	56				
Savings Rate (gpad)	348	348	348	348	348	348	348	348				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.41	0.08	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	\$ 1,642,642	641	2.56	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.41	0.49	0.51	0.53	0.55	0.57	0.59				
Cost / Connection	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$7,876,108	\$1,497,664	\$374,416	\$374,416	\$374,416	\$374,416	\$374,416				
City of New Port Richey												
Accounts / Year	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
City of St. Petersburg												
Accounts / Year	200	254	0	2	2	2	2	2				
Savings Rate (gpad)	345	345	345	345	345	345	345	345				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.07	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 27,508	23	1.21	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09				
Cost / Connection	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135				
Annual Cost	\$627,000	\$796,290	\$0	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$6,270	\$6,270				
City of Tampa												
Accounts / Year	0	317	-11	11	11	11	11	11				
Savings Rate (gpad)	816	816	816	816	816	816	816	816				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.26	-0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	\$ 950,268	295	3.22	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.26	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.28	0.29	0.29				
Cost / Connection	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691	\$19,691				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$6,242,006	\$-216,600	\$216,600	\$216,600	\$216,600	\$216,600	\$216,600				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.07	0.76	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03		958		
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.07	0.76	0.83	0.85	0.88	0.91	0.94	0.97				
Total Cost	\$627,000	\$14,914,404	\$1,281,064	\$597,286	\$597,286	\$597,286	\$597,286	\$597,286	\$ 2,620,418			

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Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

Non-Potable Irrigation Sources
Reclaimed Water
Single Family



Single-family residences are provided reclaimed water service to replace potable water as their irrigation source.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	0	16,955	0	400	400	400	400	400	\$ 675,631	3,390	0.20
Savings Rate (gpad)	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	4.37	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	4.37	4.37	4.48	4.58	4.68	4.79	4.89			
Cost / Connection	\$385	\$385	\$385	\$385	\$385	\$385	\$385	\$385			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$6,527,675	\$0	\$154,000	\$154,000	\$154,000	\$154,000	\$154,000			
Pasco County											
Accounts / Year	25	10,583	500	500	500	500	500	500	\$ 0	4,238	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.01	2.73	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.01	2.73	2.86	2.99	3.12	3.25	3.38	3.50			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Pinellas County											
Accounts / Year	0	27,272	640	1,122	1,122	1,122	1,122	1,122	\$ 32,911,508	9,509	3.46
Savings Rate (gpad)	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	7.04	0.17	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	7.04	7.20	7.49	7.78	8.07	8.36	8.65			
Cost / Connection	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686	\$6,686			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$182,340,592	\$4,279,040	\$7,501,692	\$7,501,692	\$7,501,692	\$7,501,692	\$7,501,692			
City of New Port Richey											
Accounts / Year	0	212	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	6,676	4,001	0	50	50	50	50	50	\$ 687,695	424	1.62
Savings Rate (gpad)	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258			
Annual Savings (mgd)	1.72	1.03	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	1.72	1.03	1.03	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.10			
Cost / Connection	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135	\$3,135			
Annual Cost	\$20,929,260	\$12,543,135	\$0	\$156,750	\$156,750	\$156,750	\$156,750	\$156,750			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	3,340	7	50	50	50	50	50	\$ 1,100,313	522	2.11
Savings Rate (gpad)	318	318	318	318	318	318	318	318			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	1.06	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	1.06	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.11	1.13	1.14			
Cost / Connection	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016	\$5,016			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$16,753,440	\$35,112	\$250,800	\$250,800	\$250,800	\$250,800	\$250,800			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	1.73	16.29	0.30	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55		18,083	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	1.73	16.29	16.59	17.14	17.69	18.24	18.79	19.34			
Total Cost	\$20,929,260	\$218,164,842	\$4,314,152	\$8,063,242	\$8,063,242	\$8,063,242	\$8,063,242	\$8,063,242	\$ 35,375,146		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day
* gpm - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* gpud - Gallons Per Unit per Day
* mgd - Million Gallons per Day

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/ Rebates
Multi-Family**



Regional Report

Table 11

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations with rebates to multi-family residences. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	0	45	10	26	26	26	26		\$ 245,169	1,475	0.17
Savings Rate (gpad)	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.11	0.18	0.23	0.29	0.34				
Cost / Connection	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$112,500	\$25,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000				
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.00		1,475	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.11	0.16	0.21	0.27	0.32	0.32			
Total Cost	\$0	\$112,500	\$25,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0	\$ 245,169		

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* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/ Rebates
Non-Residential**



Regional Report

Table 12

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations with rebates to non-residential properties. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0		

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* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/ Rebates
Single Family**



Regional Report

Table 13

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations with rebates to single-family residences. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/o Rebates
Multi-Family**



Regional Report

Table 14

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations without rebates to multi-family residences. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	105	5	2	2	2	2		\$ 4,686	13	2.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	143	143	143	143	143	143	143				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02				
Cost / Connection	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398	\$398			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$41,790	\$1,990	\$796	\$796	\$796	\$796				
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		13	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Total Cost	\$0	\$41,790	\$1,990	\$796	\$796	\$796	\$796	\$0	\$ 4,686		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/o Rebates
Non-Residential**



Regional Report

Table 15

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations without rebates to non-residential properties. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	95	3	2	2	2	2		\$ 3,404	64	0.32
Savings Rate (gpad)	978	978	978	978	978	978	978	978			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.11				
Cost / Connection	\$388	\$388	\$388	\$388	\$388	\$388	\$388	\$388			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$36,860	\$1,164	\$776	\$776	\$776	\$776	\$776			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		64	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10			
Total Cost	\$0	\$36,860	\$1,164	\$776	\$776	\$776	\$776	\$0	\$ 3,404		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

**Water-Efficient Landscape and Irrigation Evaluations and Rebates
Irrigation Evaluation w/o Rebates
Single Family**



Regional Report

Table 16

This program provides water-efficient landscape and irrigation evaluations without rebates to single-family residences. It is designed to save potable water used for irrigation through efficient irrigation practices and the use of water-efficient landscape designs.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	1,876	300	30	200	30	200		\$ 153,065	351	2.61
Savings Rate (gpad)	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.02				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.21	0.23				
Cost / Connection	\$264	\$264	\$264	\$264	\$264	\$264	\$264	\$264			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$495,264	\$79,200	\$7,920	\$52,800	\$7,920	\$52,800				
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	471	869	44	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.04	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07			
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.04	0.22	0.03	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00		351	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.04	0.22	0.25	0.25	0.27	0.27	0.29	0.29			
Total Cost	\$0	\$495,264	\$79,200	\$7,920	\$52,800	\$7,920	\$52,800	\$0	\$ 153,065		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

BMP Template
Indoor
Non-Residential



The purpose of this BMP is to allow flexibility for a member government to create its own BMP or to combine two or more BMPs. This BMP is for indoor water use by a Non-Residential property.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)	
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022				
Description: Hillsborough Pre-Rinse Sprayer Distribution - NR												
Hillsborough County												
Accounts / Year	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Description: ICI Pre-Rinse Spray Nozzle Program												
Pinellas County												
Accounts / Year	0	562	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	137	137	137	137	137	137	137	137				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Description: ICI Pre Rinse Spray Valve Program 2017												
City of St. Petersburg												
Accounts / Year	0	352	5	10	5	5	5			\$ 980	94	0.06
Savings Rate (gpad)	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.16					
Cost / Connection	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$10,912	\$155	\$310	\$155	\$155	\$155					
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			94	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23				
Total Cost	\$0	\$10,912	\$155	\$310	\$155	\$155	\$155	\$0	\$ 980			

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* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day



Regional Report

Multi-Family

Table 18

This program provides HET toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to Multi Family residences that replace high water-use toilets with HET toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
Hillsborough County									\$ 6,503	11	0.58
Accounts / Year	0	521	1	20	20	20	20				
Savings Rate (gpad)	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01				
Cost / Connection	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$50,016	\$96	\$1,920	\$1,920	\$1,920	\$1,920				
City of St. Petersburg									\$ 35,112	34	1.03
Accounts / Year	0	423	70	70	30	30	30				
Savings Rate (gpad)	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02				
Cost / Connection	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$71,064	\$11,760	\$11,760	\$5,040	\$5,040	\$5,040				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		45	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03			
Total Cost	\$0	\$121,080	\$11,856	\$13,680	\$6,960	\$6,960	\$6,960	\$0	\$ 41,615		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.



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Non-Residential

Table 19

This program provides HET toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to Non-Residential properties that replace high water-use toilets with HET toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
Hillsborough County									\$ 4,302	9	0.48
Accounts / Year	0	8	1	10	10	10	10				
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	35	35	35	35	35	35	35				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cost / Connection	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$1,016	\$127	\$1,270	\$1,270	\$1,270	\$1,270				
City of St. Petersburg									\$ 8,560	13	0.65
Accounts / Year	0	155	20	20	5	5	5				
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01				
Cost / Connection	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$26,040	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$840	\$840	\$840				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		22	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01			
Total Cost	\$0	\$27,056	\$3,487	\$4,630	\$2,110	\$2,110	\$2,110	\$0	\$ 12,862		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpm/d - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.



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Single Family

Table 20

This program provides HET toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to Single Family residences that replace high water-use toilets with HET toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 -					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021				
Hillsborough County									\$ 313,624	480	0.65
Accounts / Year	0	1,456	166	500	500	500	500				
Savings Rate (gpad)	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.13				
Cost / Connection	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$228,592	\$26,062	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500				
City of St. Petersburg									\$ 138,707	196	0.71
Accounts / Year	0	1,214	300	300	100	100	100				
Savings Rate (gpad)	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08				
Cost / Connection	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$203,952	\$50,400	\$50,400	\$16,800	\$16,800	\$16,800				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00		676	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.13	0.15	0.16	0.18	0.18			
Total Cost	\$0	\$432,544	\$76,462	\$128,900	\$95,300	\$95,300	\$95,300	\$0	\$ 452,331		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

High-Efficiency Clothes Washer Program / Rebate
 SF Homes
 Single Family



Regional Report

Table 21

This program provides rebates to single-family residential sectors that replace their high water consumption washers with high-efficiency clothes washers. The high efficiency clothes washers reduce the volume of water from 40 gallons per load (gpl) to about 20 gpl in residential use.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	0	0	70	30	30	30	30	\$ 42,389	19	2.21
Savings Rate (gpad)	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$247	\$247	\$247	\$247	\$247	\$247	\$247	\$247			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,290	\$7,410	\$7,410	\$7,410	\$7,410			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		19	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,290	\$7,410	\$7,410	\$7,410	\$7,410	\$ 42,389		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

ICI Water-Use Evaluations and Rebates
Evaluations w/ Rebates
Non-Residential



This program provides water-use evaluations to Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) water users for indoor water use only – and includes rebates.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)	
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022				
Pinellas County												
Accounts / Year	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0	0	0.00	
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01				
Total Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0			

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.

ICI Water-Use Evaluations and Rebates
Evaluations w/o Rebates
Non-Residential



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Table 23

This program provides water-use evaluations to Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) water users for indoor water use only. This program does not include rebates.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)	
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022				
Pinellas County												
Accounts / Year	0	151	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Savings Rate (gpad)	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15				
Cost / Connection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
									\$ 0	0	0.00	
City of St. Petersburg												
Accounts / Year	0	151	10	10	10	10	10					
Savings Rate (gpad)	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01				
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.15	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.21					
Cost / Connection	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134	\$134				
Annual Cost	\$0	\$20,234	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340				
									\$ 5,879	329	0.02	
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.30	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00		329		
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.35				
Total Cost	\$0	\$20,234	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$1,340	\$0	\$ 5,879			

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.



Regional Report

Multi-Family

Table 24

This program provides ULF toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to multi-family residences that replace high water-use toilets with ULF toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.6 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	176	8,160	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18			
Cost / Connection	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96			
Annual Cost	\$16,896	\$783,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Pinellas County											
Accounts / Year	0	10,496	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.21			
Cost / Connection	\$193	\$193	\$193	\$193	\$193	\$193	\$193	\$193			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$2,025,728	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	800	13,183	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.02	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.02	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29			
Cost / Connection	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96			
Annual Cost	\$76,800	\$1,265,568	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.02	0.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.02	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68			
Total Cost	\$93,696	\$4,074,656	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpad - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpm - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Note: For detailed explanation of this BMP refer to "Potable Water Conservation Best Management Practices for the Tampa Bay Region" report.



Regional Report

Non-Residential

Table 25

This program provides ULF toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to non-residential properties that replace high water-use toilets with ULF toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.6 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	154	3,227	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.01	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.01	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16			
Cost / Connection	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127			
Annual Cost	\$19,558	\$409,829	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Pinellas County											
Accounts / Year	0	8,818	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23			
Cost / Connection	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$1,278,610	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
City of St. Petersburg											
Accounts / Year	0	531	20	20	20	20	20		\$ 14,741	32	0.46
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03			
Cost / Connection	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168	\$168			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$89,208	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360			
City of Tampa											
Accounts / Year	0	481	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpm/d)	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Cost / Connection	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127	\$127			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$61,087	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.01	0.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		32	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.01	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44			
Total Cost	\$19,558	\$1,838,734	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$3,360	\$ 14,741		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day
 * gpm/d - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day
 * mgd - - Million Gallons per Day



Regional Report

Single Family

Table 26

This program provides ULF toilet bulk purchase / giveaway or rebates to single-family residences that replace high water-use toilets with ULF toilets, which reduce the volume of water use to 1.6 gallons per flush (gpf). This results in significant water savings over older, less efficient toilets, which use from 3.5 to 7.0 gpf, depending on the age of the toilet.

	Historical Activity		Current Year	5 Year Plan 2018 - 2022					Total Scenario Cost	Total Water Savings (MG)	Scenario Cost Effectiveness (\$/1000 gal.)
	Pre - 96	1996 - 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hillsborough County											
Accounts / Year	4,427	42,404	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0	0	0.00
Savings Rate (gpad)	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.12	1.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.12	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13			
Cost / Connection	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144			
Annual Cost	\$636,603	\$6,097,695	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Pasco County									\$ 344,396	526	0.66
Accounts / Year	0	2,299	277	500	500	500	500	500			
Savings Rate (gpad)	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.07	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.13	0.15	0.16			
Cost / Connection	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157	\$157			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$360,943	\$43,489	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500			
Pinellas County									\$ 0	0	0.00
Accounts / Year	0	61,210	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Savings Rate (gpad)	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	1.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63			
Cost / Connection	\$197	\$197	\$197	\$197	\$197	\$197	\$197	\$197			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$12,058,370	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
City of New Port Richey									\$ 11,363	15	0.74
Accounts / Year	0	1	0	65	15	0	0	0			
Savings Rate (gpad)	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cost / Connection	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144			
Annual Cost	\$0	\$144	\$0	\$9,347	\$2,157	\$0	\$0	\$0			
City of Tampa									\$ 0	0	0.00
Accounts / Year	5,120	9,444	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Savings Rate (gpad)	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27			
Annual Savings (mgd)	0.14	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.14	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25			
Cost / Connection	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144	\$144			
Annual Cost	\$736,256	\$1,358,047	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Total Annual Savings (mgd)	0.25	3.08	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02		541	
Total Cumulative Savings (mgd)	0.25	3.08	3.09	3.11	3.12	3.14	3.16	3.17			
Total Cost	\$1,372,859	\$19,875,199	\$43,489	\$87,847	\$80,657	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$78,500	\$ 355,759		

* gpad - Gallons Per Account per Day

* gpud - - Gallons Per Unit per Day

* gpmd - - Gallons Per Measures per Day

* mgd - - Million Gallons per Day

Appendix F

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Associated with Water Production

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Associated with Water Production – Tampa Bay Water

January 2017

Background:

Greenhouse gases (GHG's) are gases that affect the distribution and amount of heat in the atmosphere. These gases include carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), and fluorinated gases (hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆)). These compounds occur naturally, but emissions of these gases increase due to human activities.¹ Human activities can also artificially increase the concentrations of these gases in the atmosphere. The most common method of increasing the GHG concentrations is through the combustion of fossil fuels for the production of electricity and heat.

Greenhouse gases emitted by electric companies include CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O, and members of the nitrogen oxide family (NO_x). These gases can remain in the atmosphere for many years. The atmospheric lifetime of these gases vary with CO₂ ranging from 50-200 years, N₂O lasting approximately 114 years, and CH₄ lasting about 12 years.² These gases are responsible not only for harmful effects on climate, but also on human health.

An effective way to measure the effects of these GHG's is to examine the Global Warming Potential which compares the ability of each greenhouse gas to trap heat in the atmosphere relative to another gas. While CO₂ is a predominant greenhouse gas in the atmosphere and often the focus of greenhouse-gas emissions discussions, CH₄ and, particularly, N₂O emissions have far more powerful heat trapping capabilities. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), CH₄ is approximately "25 times more powerful at warming the atmosphere than CO₂ by weight," and N₂O is "300 times more powerful-than CO₂ on a per molecule basis" over a 100-year time period.³

In 2007, Florida's gubernatorial administration issued three Executive Orders (07-126, 07-127 and 07-128) to address climate change: these executive orders called for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; however, these Orders are no longer enforced (details can be found in the appendix below).*

The 2009-2012 Scorecard showed a marked reduction (-109,387 metric tons) in the overall GHG emissions from state agencies compared to previous baseline years (06-07). This reduction was theorized to be the result of several factors, including increased water efficiency in government agencies. This data, along with

¹See <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/index.html>

² See <http://epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/gases.html>

³See <http://epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/gases/ch4.html> and <http://epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/gases/n2o.html>

encouragement from state environmental organizations, spurred Tampa Bay Water to develop a greenhouse gas emission and reduction methodology, described below in detail, that quantifies emissions associated with regional water production and associated reductions caused by active conservation programs implemented in the region by the agency's Member governments. Calculation of such data is important in demonstrating a secondary benefit from reduced water use within the Bay Area: a decrease in the greenhouse gases detrimental to human and environmental health.

As a result of Tampa Bay Water' and its Member Governments commitment to maintaining sustainable practices, the agency approved an Energy Policy in August of 2016 to increase Agency energy use efficiency. The policy entails a number of commitments that Tampa Bay Water and staff has made to assure agency goals to provide clean, safe water are made possible only through highly efficient and sustainable practices. The creation of an Energy Policy is the first step in the development of an Energy Management System (EnMS) establishing the systems and processes necessary to improve energy performance, including energy efficiency, use, and consumption. In keeping with this policy, the Agency will establish, maintain and implement an EnMS that conforms to the ISO 50001 International Standard. Tampa Bay Water will continue to reduce overall energy consumption and energy costs, while maintaining water quality and reliability, which, in turn reduces the amount of GHG emissions released by electric utilities. Increasing efficiency can and will be accomplished through improving the effectiveness of operations, implementing energy improvement projects, energy performance improvements in design and modification of the agency's facilities, equipment, systems and processes, and utilizing energy efficient products and services.

Energy Associated with Water Production

The Congressional Research Service, in 2010, estimated that about 12.6 percent of the nation's energy demand is used to treat, pump, and heat water.⁴ On the water supply side, pumping water is the main consumer of energy; this includes pumping untreated water to treatment plants and delivery of treated water to customers. For every step in supplying water, kilowatts of electricity are used. Therefore, a reduction in water use saves energy because less water needs to be pumped and treated.

Tampa Bay Water developed a methodology to calculate the GHG emissions associated with the energy use in water production. This methodology relies on data collected from its' Energy Consumption Manager. This is an Enterprise Data Management System database for energy consumption, which Tampa Bay Water developed with in-house resources. The System integrates commercial power billing data from the Agency's

⁴ Copeland, Claudia. Energy-Water-Nexus: The Water Sector's Energy Use. Congressional Research Service. January 3, 2014. <https://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R43200.pdf>. Page 3.

three commercial power providers and operating data (e.g. flow rate, equipment run time, energy use, among others) from the Agency's supervisory control and data acquisition systems for all Agency facilities. The fossil fuel mix for each utility was researched and was determined based on various EPA data and the contacts available at the electric utilities. Water demand management programs are consistent with the agency's goal of continually reducing energy consumption and energy costs.

The EPA emissions data, along with data gathered from Tampa Bay Water for WY 2016, including electrical usage associated with pumping water and the amount of water pumped and produced, are used to find the total calculations included in this report. This compilation of data is used to show possible emissions reductions through reduced water demand and reduced electrical usage.

Method:

Tampa Bay Water quantifies emissions from power production used to pump water to its member governments for their distribution. This methodology allows member governments to see the relationship between reduced water demand (conserved water), reduced electric use by Tampa Bay Water, and how this will result in reductions of GHG emissions.⁵

The data for the methodology comes from Tampa Bay Water's electrical usage from the pumping facilities during Water Year (WY) 2017 (October 2016-September 2017). This data is retrieved from the Agency's Energy Consumption Manager Application. Only partial electric data was available for Tampa Electric based facilities so 2016 kwh/mg ratios were provided and total kwh of electric consumption was estimated based on water production (mg) times kwh/mg.

The data listed above is used in conjunction with the EPA's emissions data (table 3) obtained from the Clean Energy eGrid website at <https://www.epa.gov/energy/egrid> along with the EPA's Air Markets Program data ; <http://ampd.epa.gov/ampd/> . As of January 2017, the most current emissions data available for regional power plants on the EPA's Clean Energy eGrid website was for the calendar year 2014⁶. The AMPD Data provides the most up to date emission data as clarified by the EPA; however, this data only provides emissions data for CO₂, SO₂, CH₄ and NO_x (rather than N₂O). These two sources are utilized to make a comparison of the previous emissions data with the current emissions data.

⁵ Additionally, new, cleaner technologies employed at regional power plants will also result in a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere.

⁶ See <http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/egrid/index.html>

The emissions data from the EPA is converted to pounds (lbs) (table 4) and totaled for each energy source while the total megawatt-hour (MWh) produced are converted to kWh and used with the total emissions to find emission lbs per kWh (table 4). The emissions in pounds per kWh for each energy source are multiplied by Tampa Bay Water's kWh used per year to determine total annual greenhouse gas emissions associated with Tampa Bay Water, water delivery (table 5). The pounds per kWh of emissions are multiplied by the kWh per MG produced to find emissions per MG produced in pounds. These steps are replicated for each emission type and for each source of energy.

To determine the GHG emissions reductions from conserved water, data regarding amount of water saved is collected from the member governments five year conservation plans. MG saved is then multiplied by CO₂, N₂O, and CH₄ (lbs/mg), then each value is multiplied by 365 days to determine the total emissions reductions for MG saved (tons)/year (table 6). The total emissions reduction for MG saved in tons/year is converted from its measurement in short tons to metric tons. This value is then divided by 4.7 metric tons CO₂E/vehicle/year, the EPA's calculation for the amount of CO₂ emissions emitted per passenger car per year. The emissions (in tons) saved through reduced water use are calculated with actual greenhouse gas data provided/Kwh times the energy saved due to water conserved (not pumped) as a function of the average Kwh used per mgd by the Agency. This information is listed in the Results section of this document.

Emissions Associated with Residential Hot Water Use

In addition to calculating greenhouse gas emissions associated with producing water, Tampa Bay Water calculated the carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide emissions produced from typical single-family (SF) residential hot water use. These calculations are used to illustrate; by reducing hot water use, energy savings can result in a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

To determine greenhouse gas emissions produced by residential hot water use; the estimated percentage of hot water required per indoor water use category is gathered along with the energy intensity (in kilowatt hour per million gallons (kWh/MG)) associated with that category.⁷ Hot water categories include; baths and showers, plus hot water used in clothes washers, dishwashers, and faucets.

The indoor gallon per capita per day (gpcd) is calculated for each hot water category. This information is obtained from the *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update* by DeOreo et al.⁸ The indoor gpcd for each

⁷ DeOreo, B., Mayer, P., Dziegielewski, B., Kiefer, J. Residential End Uses of Water Study Update. Water Research Foundation. Denver, CO. 2014. Page 193.

⁸ DeOreo et al. *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update*. 193.

category is then multiplied by the average persons per SF household (or account) in the region to estimate water use by type per SF account. The result is multiplied by the percentage of hot water used to find total hot water use per SF account (in gallons).

Next, the energy intensity measured in kWh/MG for each hot water category is calculated from the *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update* by DeOreo et al.⁹ and each were divided by 1,000,000 to find kilowatt hour per gallon (kWh/gal). kWh/gal for each hot water category is multiplied by a ratio accounting for the adjustment in water temperature difference between the average determined in the DeOreo et al. study and that occurring in the Tampa Bay region.¹⁰

The total hot water used per SF account for each hot water category is multiplied by kWh/gal (which includes the adjustment for temperature) to find kWh used per average SF account / hot water use type. The numbers obtained for each hot water use category are then multiplied by the respective percentage of hot water use in overall water use to find CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O lbs emitted per hot water use/type per day (see Table 7).

Emissions Associated with Commercial Pre-rinse Spray Valves

Replacing standard pre-rinse spray valves (average 3.0 gallons per minute or gpm) with more efficient valves (1.28 gpm or less) can reduce water use, plus save on the electricity or natural gas associated with heating water. Since heating water is extremely energy intensive, a savings in energy through reduced hot water use will result in a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. (The EPA WaterSense program currently labels pre-rinse spray valves that use 1.28 gpm or less, which greatly reduce water and electrical usage for commercial and institutional entities)¹¹.

Tampa Bay Water developed a methodology for calculating the amount of greenhouse gas emissions produced by using standard pre-rinse spray valves and emissions reductions occurring by switching to more efficient spray valves. A standard pre-rinse spray valve uses approximately 2.92 gpm and is used for an average of 40 minutes per day;¹² totaling approximately 116 gallons of water used per spray valve per day. Efficient spray valves, for the purpose of this report, were estimated to use 1.28 gpm.¹³ Efficient pre-rinse spray valves have been found to operate for slightly longer periods than their standard counterparts, averaging 55 minutes of use per day.¹⁴ This amounts to an average of 74 gallons of water used per valve per day for efficient valves.

⁹ DeOreo et al. *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update*. 193.

¹⁰ The REUS2 study uses an average increase in temperature of 62°F. Tampa Bay Water uses an increase of 35°F.

¹¹ <http://www.epa.gov/WaterSense/products/prsv.html>

¹² Tso, B. *Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Programs: How are they really doing?* SBW Consulting, Inc. 2005.

¹³ Tso. *Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Programs*. 2005.

¹⁴ Tso. *Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Programs*. 2005.

The percentage of hot water used per spray valve for both standard and efficient valves was assumed to be 100%.¹⁵

For this report, total water use per valve per day for both standard and efficient valves is multiplied by kWh/gal. To obtain the kWh/gal calculation; energy intensity in kWh/MG is taken from DeOreo et al.'s *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update*¹⁶ and divided by one million to find kWh/gal. The outcome is multiplied by the ratio 35/62 to create the adjustment needed to account for temperature difference between water supplied by Tampa Bay Water and average water supply temperatures used in the *REUS2* study. Total water use per valve per day (in gal) is multiplied by kWh/gal (i.e., includes adjustment for temperature) to find kWh used per valve per day. kWh used per valve per day is then multiplied by CO₂ lbs per kWh to find CO₂ lbs emitted per valve per day. CO₂ lbs per kWh are calculated using calendar year 2015 U.S. EPA air pollutant emissions from Tampa Bay area power stations. kWh used per valve per day is multiplied by CH₄ and N₂O lbs per kWh to find emissions in lbs per valve per day (Table 8). Data for calculating CH₄ and N₂O come from calendar year 2014 EPA eGrid data.¹⁷

Three member governments served by Tampa Bay Water had existing pre-rinse spray valve rebate programs: Pinellas County, Hillsborough County (indicated program ended in WY17) and the City of St. Petersburg. The total number of pre-rinse spray valve replacements provided by each member government between the years 1996-2017 is multiplied by the daily savings rate determined by each member government based on previous area studies. This produces the total gallons saved per day per each member government's pre-rinse spray valve program, and is multiplied by kWh/gal, which includes the adjustment for water temperature difference between Tampa Bay Water and the average found in the *Residential End Uses* study. This gives the total kWh saved per day per reduced water use, which is then multiplied by each GHG emissions type (CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O) to determine lbs of emissions saved per day through reduced water use. Emissions (in lbs) are divided by the total gallons saved per day to find the emissions (in lbs) saved per gallon of water saved. Total emissions (in lbs) saved per day are then multiplied by 365 days to determine the total emissions (in lbs) saved per year.

¹⁵ Region of Waterloo Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Pilot Study Final Report by Veritec Consulting, Inc. 2005.

¹⁶ DeOreo et al. *Residential End Uses of Water Study Update*. 193.

¹⁷ <http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/egrid/>

Results:

It was determined that a savings of 24.51 MGD for WY 2017 resulted in a total CO₂ equivalent reduction of 24,200 tons/year, a total CH₄ reduction of 681 lbs/year, and a total N₂O reduction of 506 lbs/year. Included in these emissions reductions are 1,656,523 lbs of CO₂, approximately 240 lbs of CH₄, and 35 lbs of N₂O emissions avoided because of conserved water through Pinellas County, Hillsborough County and St. Petersburg's pre-rinse spray valve rebate program. As an example, combined these water conservation-related emissions reductions are equivalent to removing approximately 5143 passenger cars from the road for one year.¹⁸

¹⁸ According to the U.S. EPA, passenger cars emit 4.8 metric tons of CO₂E/vehicle/year. See <http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/calculator.html>

Emissions Report Calculations:

Note: 1MWh = 1000 kWh

1 ton (short) = 2000 lbs

Table 1 – WY 2017 Electrical Annual Totals for Tampa Bay Water.

WY 2017 Facilities Electrical Annual Totals

Location	MGY Pumped	KWh/MG (pumped)	MGY Produced	kWh/MG Produced
Progress Energy	13,436.35	608.31	8,370.46	976.47
TECO	145,493.07	912.73	39,792.32	3,337.21
WREC	24,698.83	695.80	14,704.15	1,168.74
Total	183,628.25	861.27	62,866.93	2,515.70

Source: Data based on Tampa Bay Water records:

Note: MGY = million gallons per year

Table 2 – WY 2017 Calculations for Tampa Bay Water.

Location	Gallons Pumped/Gallons Produced	Average MGD Produced	kWh/Day Used	kWh/Year Used
Progress Energy	1.61	22.93	22,393.09	8,173,477.00
TECO	4.61	109.02	363,823.35	132,795,521.60
WREC	1.68	40.29	47,083.26	17,185,388.57
Total	2.92	172.24	433,299.69	158,154,387.17

- **Identify kWh/million gallons (MG) produced:**

For each specific electric source (i.e. a separate calculation for TECO, Progress Energy, & WREC) calculate:

- kWh/MG produced = kWh/MG pumped * gallons pumped /gallons produced

Progress Energy

$$\text{_____ kWh/MG produced} = \text{_____ kWh/MG pumped} * \text{gallons pumped/gallons produced}$$

TECO

$$\text{_____ kWh/MG produced} = \text{_____ kWh/MG pumped} * \text{gallons pumped}$$

WREC

$$\text{_____ kWh/MG Produced} = \text{_____ kWh/MG Pumped} * \text{gallons pumped/gallons produced}$$

Table 3 –Emissions Data from Tampa Bay Area Power Stations.

Location	Annual Gross load* megawatt hours (MWh) used (2016 AMPD Data)	Annual CO₂ tons (2016 AMPD Data)**	Annual Net Generation (MWh) (2014 eGrid data)	Annual CO₂ tons*** (2014 eGrid data)	Annual N₂O lbs (2014 eGrid data)
Hillsborough County					
Big Bend Power Station (TECO)	7,426,950.00	8369382.105	10,127,150.00	11,542,681.27	370,766.47
H.L. Culbreath Bayside Power Station (TECO)	8,209,317.00	2,487,065.30	3,524,715.00	3,051,493.28	11,294.19
Pinellas County					
P.L. Bartow (PE)	6,906,748.00	2,440,536.81	6,807,182.97	3,153,716.47	11,758.8
Pasco County					
Anclote (PE)	3,463,462.00	2,189,350.20	2,433,908.00	1,592,244.72	6,007.99
Putnam County					
Seminole Electric Co-op 136 (WREC)	7,801,586.00	5,617,103.44	7,593,188.03	7,846,275.47	284,099.45
Hardee County					
Hardee Power Station (WREC)	824,270.00	23,399.50	373,254.00	204,577.27	750.33

NOTE: This table is the baseline data for the Emissions tables in this document. All conversions are based on this table and the conversion factors above.

*N₂O and CH₄ emissions data, along with annual net generation MWh, come from the EPA's Clean Energy eGrid website. As of January, 2017, the most current N₂O and CH₄ data available on the eGrid website was for calendar year 2014.

**CO₂ emissions data and annual gross load MWh come from the EPA's Clean Air Markets website. These data are based on calendar year 2016.

Table 4 –Emissions from Tampa Bay Area Power Stations.

Location	CO ₂ lbs/kWh (2016 AMPD Data)	SO ₂ lbs/kWh (2016 AMPD Data)	N ₂ O lbs/kWh (2014 eGrid Data)
Hillsborough County			
Big Bend Power Station (TECO)	2.253787	0.001673	0.000037
H.L. Culbreath Bayside (TECO)	0.605913	0.000004	0.000003
TECO Weighted Average	1.388624	0.000797	0.000028
Pinellas County			
P.L. Bartow (Progress Energy)	0.706711	0.000004	0.000002
Pasco County			
Anclote (Progress Energy)	1.264255	0.000006	0.000002
Progress Weighted Average	0.892921	0.000005	0.000002
Putnam County			
Seminole Electric Co-op	1.439990	0.001141	0.000037
Hardee County			
Hardee Power Station (WREC)	0.056776	0.000000	0.000002
Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative (WREC)*	1.307813	0.001032	0.000036

For each electric source, the total emissions (lbs) are divided by kWh to produce Emission lbs/kWh, which can be used to calculate emissions by electric source. Emissions are then averaged based on the percentage of total electric production from each facility.

Table 5 – Emissions from Water Produced in WY2016.

Location	CO ₂ lbs/kWh	N ₂ O lbs/kWh	CH ₄ lbs/kWh	CO ₂ lbs/year	N ₂ O lbs/year	CH ₄ lbs/year	CO ₂ lbs/per MG	N ₂ O lbs/per MG	CH ₄ lbs/per MG
Progress Energy	0.89292058	1.92259E-06	1.92055E-05	5786212.65	12.45857	124.4535	863.284	0.001859	0.018568
TECO	1.388624	0.000028	0.000195	96437631.3	1943.579	13538.92	2890.719	0.058259	0.122849
WREC	1.307813	0.000036	0.000246	27616057.2	755.0358	5195.549	1652.343	0.045176	0.310864
Total				129839901	2711.073	18858.92	2286.842	0.04775	0.332158

• **Calculate lbs of Pollutant Per Year**

kWh/MG produced * average MGD produced = kWh/day

kWh/day * 365 days/year = kWh/year

kWh/year * x lbs CH₄/kWh = x lbs CH₄/year

kWh/year * x lbs N₂O/kWh = x lbs N₂O/year

kWh/year * x lbs CO₂/kWh = x lbs CO₂/year

- Calculate lbs of pollutant per MG
(lbs/year / 365 days)/average MGD produced

Table 6 – Reductions in Greenhouse Gas Emissions Due to Conserved Water.

Calendar Year 2016 Emissions Data and WY 2017 Water Savings											
	MGD Saved	CH ₄ (lbs/mg)	N ₂ O (lbs/mg)	CO ₂ (lbs/mg)	Total CH ₄ reduction for MG saved (lbs)/yr	Total N ₂ O reduction for MG saved (lbs)/yr	Total CO ₂ reduction for MG saved (lbs)/yr	Total CO ₂ reduction for MG Saved (tons)/yr	Total CH ₄ reduction for MG saved (tons)/yr	Total N ₂ O reduction for MG saved (tons)/yr	Total CO ₂ reduction for MG saved (tons)/yr
Total	24.51	0.05	0.0542	5202.31	691.9	519.34	31,923,397.70	23,270.34	0.2269	0.2426	23270.34

Table 7 –Estimated Hot Water Requirements, Energy Intensity, and Greenhouse Gas Emissions for Residential Hot Water Use.

Water Use Category	% of Hot Water*	Energy Intensity kWh/MG	Indoor Per Capita Water Use (gcd)**	Average Persons/SF Acct in Region	Water Use/type per SF Acct in Region (in gal)	Total hot water use/SF Acct (in gal)	kWh per gal (using energy intensity from the REUS2 study)	kWh per gal***	kWh used per average SF Acct/hot water use type	CH ₄ lbs emitted/hot water use type/day	N ₂ O lbs emitted/hot water use type/day	CO ₂ lbs emitted/hot water use type/day
Bath	59%	90,887	1.6		4.32	2.5	0.09	0.05	0.13	0.000025	0.000004	0.266570
Clothes Washer	20%	154,045	8.2		22.14	4.4	0.15	0.09	0.39	0.000075	0.000011	0.784928
Dishwasher	100%	80,524	0.9		2.43	1.3	0.08	0.05	0.06	0.000011	0.000002	0.115827
Faucet	57%	538,808	10		27	15.4	0.54	0.30	4.68	0.000910	0.000131	9.542171
Shower	66%	621,573	10		27	17.8	0.62	0.35	6.25	0.001215	0.000175	12.746014

*Data source for percentage of hot water and energy intensity for water use category: 2014. DeOreo W., Mayer P., Dziegielewski B., Kiefer J. Residential End Uses of Water Study Update. Water Research Foundation. Page 193.
 **Data Source for indoor per capita water use: 2014. DeOreo W., Mayer P., Dziegielewski B., Kiefer J. Residential End Uses of Water Study Update. Water Research Foundation. Page 193.
 *** The Residential End Uses Study Update found that, on average, water is heated by 62 degrees Fahrenheit for typical hot water use. The same study reveals that Toho, FL heats their hot water by an average of only 35 degrees F. We use 35/62 multiplied by the energy intensity for the adjustment in water temperature. Efficiency water heater 90% (high efficiency means the number is conservative). Max efficiency of water heaters 96%.

Note: Calculations for kWh per gal and kWh per avg. SF acct/hot water type are based on kWh used by Tampa Bay Water to produce water in WY 2016. Calculations to determine CO₂ emissions from hot water use are based on data from the EPA's Clean Air Maps website for calendar year 2015. CH₄ and N₂O emissions per hot water use type per day are based on data from the EPA's eGrid website for calendar year 2012.

Table 8 – Estimated Hot Water Requirements, Energy Intensity, and Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Pre-Rinse Spray Valves.

Water Use Category	% Hot Water*	Energy Intensity (kWh/MG)**	Avg GPM/Valve**	Avg Daily Use/Valves (in min.)	Total Water Use/Day/Valve (in gal)	kWh/Gal	kWh/Gal (adjustment for temperature difference)	kWh Used per Valve/Day	CH ₄ lbs Emitted/Valve/Day	N ₂ O lbs Emitted/Valve/Day	CO ₂ lbs Emitted/Valve/Day
Standard Pre-Rinse Spray Valves	100	21,000	2.92	39.6	115.63	0.021	0.011854839	1.3708	0.000262	0.000038	2.834728
Efficient Pre-Rinse Spray Valves	100	21,000	1.28	54.6	69.888	0.021	0.011854839	0.8285	0.000159	0.000023	1.713310

*Assumes 100% hot water use. Source: (2005) Region of Waterloo Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Pilot Study Final Report. Veritec Consulting, Inc.

**From May 2009. Griffiths-Sattenspiel, B. and Wilson, W. The Carbon Footprint of Water. The River Network. <http://www.rivernetwork.org/resource-library?tid=All>.

*** Source: Tso, B. 2005. Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Programs: How are they really doing? SBW Consulting, Inc.

Note: Calculations for kWh per gal are based on kWh used by Tampa Bay Water to produce water in WY 2016. Calculations to determine CO₂ emissions from hot water use are based on data from the EPA's Air Market Program data website for calendar year 2016. CH₄ and N₂O emissions per hot water use type per day are based on data from the EPA's eGrid website for calendar year 2014.

Table 9 – Savings Based on Member Governments' Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Rebate Programs 2016.

Member	Total # of rebates (1996-2017)	Savings rate per day (in gal)	Total gallons saved/day (gpd)	kWh/Gal*	Total kWh saved/day	CH ₄ lbs saved / day	N ₂ O lbs saved / day	CO ₂ lbs saved/day	CH ₄ lbs /gal	N ₂ O lbs /gal	CO ₂ lbs /gal	CH ₄ lbs/year saved	N ₂ O lbs/year saved	CO ₂ lbs/year saved
St. Petersburg PRSV rebate program	357	400	142,800	0.02	2,199.12	0.42	0.06	4,547.6	0.020604	4.23243E-07	0.031846254	153.65	22.06	1,659,890.
Pinellas PRSV program	562	137	76,994	0.02	1,185.71	0.23	0.03	2,451.9	0.020604	4.23243E-07	0.031846254	82.84	11.89	894,969.
Hillsborough PRSV rebate program	14	103	1,442	0.02	22.21	0.0043	0.0006	45.92	0.020604	4.23243E-07	0.031846254	1.55	0.22	16,761.64

* Energy intensity for pre-rinse spray valves is 21,000 kWh/MG. This information is found in May 2009. Griffiths-Sattenspiel, B. and Wilson, W. The Carbon Footprint of Water. The River Network. www.rivernetwork.org, page 18. 21,000 kWh/MG is divided by 1,000,000 to find kWh/gal, then is multiplied by the water temperature differences between the averages found in the REUS2 Study and the value for Toho, FL. The Residential End Uses Study Update found that, on average, water is heated by 62 degrees Fahrenheit for typical hot water use. The same study reveals that Toho, FL heats their hot water by an average of only 35 degrees F. We use 35/62 multiplied by the energy intensity for the adjustment in water temperature.

Note: This document is based on the assumption the identified power plants are the only source of power for Tampa Bay Water's water production. It must be noted that these are estimated calculations and in reality different sources of energy (ex: waste-to-energy, coal, nuclear, etc.) can be placed into the electrical grid and the makeup of power is modified. In reality the proportion of the power coming from these power plants to pump the water is unknown. For purposes of this document, that amount is estimated to be negligible.

Appendix:

*Executive Order 07-127 called for the adoption of maximum greenhouse-gas emission levels for electric utilities that would “result in a reduction of greenhouse-gas emissions to 2000 levels by 2017, to 1990 levels by 2025, and to 80 percent of 1990 levels by 2050.” Florida’s utility CO2 emissions in 2000 were 135,080,858 tons, and for the year 1990 utility CO2 emissions were 100,109,860 tons. Executive Order 07-128 created the Governor’s Action Team on Energy and Climate Change to “develop an Energy and Climate Change Action Plan that will achieve or surpass Executive Order targets for statewide greenhouse gas reductions specified in Executive Order 07-127.” Along with the several Executive Orders issued, passage of HB 697 in the 2008 legislative session occurred. This bill created requirements for local land use plans to incorporate GHG reductions and sustainable planning. Some of the goals included in the bill were; discouragement of urban sprawl, energy efficient land use, GHG reduction strategies, increased water use efficiency, transportation strategies, and the use of renewable energy sources.

Governor Charlie Crist requested that by September 1, 2007, “the Florida Public Service Commission require utilities to produce at least 20% of their electricity from renewable sources, with emphasis on solar and wind energy.” In addition, Florida was to adopt the California motor vehicle emission standards of a 22-percent reduction by 2012, and a 30-percent reduction by 2016, pending approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Florida was also going to require a 15-percent increase of current standards in energy efficiency for new building construction and appliances sold in the state.

Executive Order 07-126 called for greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for state agencies and departments with a “10-percent reduction from current emission levels by 2012, a 25-percent reduction from current emission levels by 2017, and a 40-percent reduction from current emission levels by 2025.”

To determine the current GHG emission levels, each governor’s agency and department was directed to conduct an immediate GHG Reduction Scorecard of their GHG emissions during the July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 fiscal year. Emissions data were gathered from vehicle emissions, facility fuels, and electricity use.

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Appendix G

Water Conservation Plans



5 Year Water Conservation Plan (2018 – 2022)

The following constitutes the Hillsborough County public Utilities Department's five year water conservation plan for implementation, organized as outdoor measures, indoor measures, economic/regulatory measures and educational measures.

OUTDOOR MEASURES

Irrigation and Landscape Evaluation

Hillsborough County utilizes the services of the Cooperative Extension Service through the Florida Friendly Landscape Program to augment its water conservation staff to conduct irrigation and landscape evaluations. Water consumption data is provided to the Extension Office for those properties undergoing these evaluations. This service is announced on the utility billing occasionally, usually twice annually. Typically six or more of these evaluations are conducted monthly. The County participates in Tampa Bay Water's annual Water Wise Awards program.

Irrigation/Landscape Rebate

Hillsborough County Public Utilities Department funds low volume irrigation grants to neighborhood associations through the Office of Neighborhood Relations (ONR). This funding is to provide for the installation of, or conversion to low volume irrigation at neighborhood entries or within community association common areas. Use of this funding is restricted from private properties. Participation requires the use of a licensed irrigation contractor holding membership in either the Florida Irrigation Society or the Irrigation Association, and registered with the County as an approved vendor, carrying appropriate levels of insurance. Annual budget of \$67,500 for this effort, accommodating twenty-seven (27) or more installations, at a maximum of \$2,500.00 each. The ONR has been funding landscape mini-grants in addition to this.

Soil Moisture Sensor Rebate

The Hillsborough Extension Office has submitted a cooperative funding proposal in the FY19 cycle to the Southwest Florida Water Management District to study the effects of soil moisture sensors over an eighteen month period. If the results are promising, this may encourage the County to amend the local building code to require such technologies in future development, and become a basis for development of a rebate program to incentivize existing construction to install the equipment. This is planned for implementation during FY20.

Florida-Friendly Landscape Principles

The Public Utilities Department supplements Tampa Bay Water's funding of the Florida-Friendly Landscaping (FFL) Program at approximately \$61,230 annually. The FFL Program anticipates conducting 10-15 Rain Barrel Workshops annually, reaching from 500-750 clients and distributing 1,000 – 1,500 rain barrels. The FFL Program forecasts 10-15 Landscape Design Workshops each year, reaching 200-300 clients annually. The FFL Program plans on conducting 15-20 Water-Wise Workshops to promote micro-irrigation annually, reaching 375 – 500 clients and distributing 150 – 200 micro irrigation kits.

The Public Utilities Department is planning the installation of a demonstration FFL garden at its customer service facility on Falkenburg Road in Brandon, for educational purposes. During FY19, the initial phase is to be installed, with a second phase at Falkenburg Road, and an installation at Northdale Park being planned for

in the FY20-21 budget cycle. These installations will promote hands-on education of residents regarding the water savings potential of using the appropriate plants in the right place, utilization of mulch and proper fertilization, low volume irrigation techniques and technologies to override automatic irrigation cycles when adequate moisture is in the soil profile.

Cisterns/Rain Water Harvesting Rebate

In cooperation with the water management district, Hillsborough County has developed a Homeowners Guide to Rain Barrels brochure and companion VHS video, with an intention to re-release on DVD. This is provided to interested parties. The Extension Office routinely conducts rain barrel workshops where attendees gain knowledge of the basic principles of rain water harvesting and have the opportunity to purchase rain barrels at a discounted price. The County's Stormwater Management Division has also, in cooperation with the District, constructed an operational cistern at the County Courthouse in downtown Tampa. This is the extent to which the County currently promotes rain water harvesting. Hillsborough County Public Utilities funds a portion of a position at the Extension Service, and materials, in support of this.

Development of Community Garden Grant Program

In cooperation with the Extension Service, Public Utilities will develop a grant program to encourage installation of community gardens. The grant from Public Utilities would be specifically for the irrigation system, with the Extension Office conducting training, and other grants as may be sought by the individual community hosting the garden. This is planned for late FY19 implementation.

INDOOR MEASURES

Continued Implementation of the U. S. Energy Policy Act of 1994

Hillsborough County has adopted an advanced plumbing code, prior to the effective date of the U. S. Energy Policy Act of 1994 (EPAct), and continues to support efforts at facilitating further implementation, such as "EPAWaterSense", similar to the Energy Star labeling program (except for independent third party testing requirements for WaterSense). The Hillsborough County Public Utilities/Water Resources Division became a promotional member of EPA's WaterSense Program (at least a 20% increase in water use efficiency over EPAct for all indoor products) during FY2014, and routinely distributes replacement faucet aerators with water use efficiencies exceeding the requirements of EPAct.

Fixture Retrofit

The Public Utilities Department provides faucet aerators and toilet tank leak detection tablets to interested parties during community events where the Public Utilities Department may have a display table set up, and for walk-in customers at its service centers. The Public Utilities Department provides incentives in the form of rebates for the voluntary replacement of higher volume toilets with new toilets using no more than 1.6 gallons per flush (see the section below); although most are being replaced with WaterSense units at 1.28 gpf.

Conversion of Drinking Fountains to Bottle Filling Stations

Through this project PUD is striving to build confidence in the safety and dependability of public supplied water as compared to off-the-shelf market-purchased bottled water. An adjunct to the program is bringing



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participating locations into compliance with the American Disabilities Act where feasible, and promotion of water conservation. At each location an 11" x 17" document holder is installed with messages that can be changed out quarterly. As of October 1, 2017, eighty-eight (88) units have been installed. The contracts with the equipment supplier and installation services contractor are each two-year agreements, with an option of the County to extend for an additional two-year period beyond that. The contracts are available for other governmental entities in Hillsborough County to piggyback on, including the Cities of Tampa, Temple Terrace and Plant City, the Sheriff Office, Port Authority, Airport Authority, school district and others.

Beginning with a pilot program in FY16 with installations at five Public Utilities Department facilities, the Pet Resources facility and the County Employee Wellness Center, a total of eleven drinking fountains were converted into re-useable bottle filling stations, with conservation messaging installed above each.

In FY17 PUD successfully awarded the purchase and installation of a full scale retrofit of drinking fountains to bottle filling stations at all public libraries, the Extension Office, Hillsborough County Fairgrounds, additional PUD facilities, and select recreational facilities, Senior Centers and Head Start locations.

Also planned in this is the award of twenty-one (21) units to the respective public schools of participants in the 2018 Florida Section - American Water Works Association Drop Savers Water Conservation Poster Contest. Seven (7) units are planned for schools in each grade division of elementary, middle and high schools. Re-useable water bottles will be provided to all students in the grade of each winner at their respective school. During the Great American Teach-In of November 2017, the potential award of bottle filling stations was strongly promoted to encourage greater participation in the Drop Savers Water Conservation Poster Contest. Final run-off entries are due to the Public Utilities Department March 1, 2018, with the winning entry from each age division being forwarded to the state judging by March 14th.

Toilet Rebate/Replacement

Hillsborough County has had a ULV Toilet Rebate Program since 1994, providing incentives to accelerate the voluntary replacement of 84,739 higher volume fixtures at 59,171 locations through September 2017. Qualifications for participation are; 1) property must be a water customer (as opposed to a wastewater-only customer) of the Hillsborough County Public Utilities Department, 2) the property must have a construction date of pre-1995 (with few exceptions where a construction permit may have been pulled earlier, i.e., large multi-family complex), and 3) any and all rebates are subject to limitation by previous rebates issued to the same property. A postal zip code analysis will target areas of perceived low participation.

The following chart details rebates by year and user classification (SF = Single-Family; MF = Multi-Family; Comm = Commercial Properties) through September 2017. The rebate dollars of \$9,527,464.71 do not include management fees paid to the independent contractor for their services (an additional \$2,515,558.50), nor do the costs include any advertising, staff time, postage, promotional activities or disposal of old toilets. To calculate estimated water (and wastewater flow) savings, it is assumed that each unit (location) saves 2.9 gallons per flush (conservative, based on replacing 3.5 gallon toilet with 1.6; whereas most currently are being replaced with WaterSense products at 1.28), and housing is inhabited by 2.84 persons, each flushing five times

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daily. Cost per thousand gallons saved is the Total Program Hard Costs divided by the 20 year water savings in thousand gallons.

Therefore, $(59,171 \times 2.9 \times 2.84 \times 5 \times 365 \times 20)/1000 = 17,787,631$ thousand gallons saved. And furthermore, $\$12,043,023/17,787,631 = \0.677 per thousand gallons saved, or 23% of the cost to purchase water from other sources (Plant City, City of Tampa, and Tampa Bay Water) at \$2.93 per thousand gallons. This water savings is sustainable as the market only allows for the purchase of qualifying toilets, now and into the future.

Hillsborough County Toilet Rebate Activity by Year and User Classification									
	Toilets			Units (locations)			Rebate Dollars		
	SF	MF	Comm	SF	MF	Comm	SF	MF	Comm
1994	410	0	0	268	0	0	\$41,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1995	6,176	235	154	4,159	176	75	\$707,105.55	\$22,006.70	\$14,936.31
1996	16,803	3,160	497	11,589	2,345	377	\$2,021,598.89	\$306,811.47	\$45,929.38
1997	10,543	3,684	290	7,449	2,498	281	\$1,295,808.08	\$356,843.08	\$28,604.18
1998	9,989	1,648	272	6,945	1,299	241	\$1,156,321.11	\$164,815.92	\$26,688.54
1999	6,004	511	97	4,188	336	89	\$675,986.95	\$38,387.08	\$9,680.06
2000	2,989	1,322	27	2,231	904	17	\$350,629.43	\$132,255.00	\$2,700.00
2001	3,430	807	840	2,534	561	323	\$408,130.17	\$80,717.08	\$83,888.15
2002	1,800	12	82	1,231	11	68	\$191,047.62	\$1,146.58	\$8,168.89
2003	1,657	8	148	1,158	4	127	\$179,552.64	\$640.54	\$14,782.77
2004	1,445	61	239	1,026	61	209	\$154,631.50	\$6,100.00	\$23,893.63
2005	1,231	13	147	858	11	108	\$128,519.52	\$1,267.05	\$14,692.56
2006	645	78	46	435	76	33	\$66,895.92	\$7,400.00	\$4,600.00
2007	1070	53	254	736	43	207	\$113,038.22	\$5,300.00	\$25,328.21
2008	294	37	212	208	6	11	\$31,733.10	\$3,825.00	\$21,000.00
2009	619	3	0	453	1	0	\$65,105.66	\$270.00	\$0.00
2010	682	1	2	472	1	2	\$70,473.28	\$125.00	\$216.97
2011	617	19	19	429	1	5	\$62,947.45	\$1,900.00	\$1,896.00
2012	333	0	0	203	0	0	\$33,321.44	\$0.00	\$0.00
2013	377	2	47	259	2	3	\$53,690.12	\$213.32	\$4,700.00
2014	479	515	0	331	357	0	\$48,105.95	\$51,500.00	\$0.00
2015	629	5	3	444	5	3	\$65,542.11	\$554.13	\$450.00
2016	549	1	2	382	1	1	\$54,423.28	\$125.00	\$200.00
2017	415	0	0	304	0	0	40779.34	0	0
	69,186	12,175	3,378	48,287	8,701	2,183	\$8,012,906.11	\$1,182,202.95	\$332,355.65
	Total Toilets		84,739	Total Rebates		59,171	Total Rebate Dollars		\$9,527,464.71
							Management Fees 55,287 @ \$45.50:		\$2,515,558.50
							Total Program Hard Costs		\$12,043,023.21

ECONOMIC/REGULATORY MEASURES

Water Conserving Rate Structures

Potable and Wastewater Charges

Hillsborough County continues the use of a four-tier water rate structure as implemented June 2003, with the pass-through charge at \$2.93 to reflect all sources, including Plant City, the City of Tampa, and Tampa Bay Water. The rate structure is as follows, effective June 1, 2017:

<u>Water use</u>	<u>Charge/unit*</u>	<u>Base Charge</u>	<u>Wastewater Charge/Unit**</u>	<u>Wastewater Base</u>
0 – 5,000	\$0.70	\$8.55	\$4.45	\$13.82
5,001 – 15,000	\$1.95		\$4.45 to 8,000 gallons	
15,001 – 30,000	\$3.26			
30,001 >	\$4.87			

* Does not include pass through charge of \$2.93/unit
 ** Capped at 8,000 gals (8 units)/equivalent residential connection

Additionally, there is a \$4.11 bill charge per billing.

SF Reclaimed Water Committed Class

Monthly Charge: \$9.00

SF Residential Metered Reclaimed Water Charges

<u>Water use</u>	<u>Charge/unit</u>	<u>Base Charge</u>
0 - 5,000	\$0.26	\$4.06
5,001 – 15,000	\$0.42	
15,001 >	\$0.57	

Multi-Family Residential Metering

Hillsborough County assumes liabilities when entering private properties; therefore, the Public Utilities Department will not provide incentives for multi-family properties to individually meter the housing units. Notwithstanding this, in discussions with property managers of such locations, staff encourages sub-metering of those properties in the interest of conservation, when the reading of the sub-meters is conducted by a third party and the main property remains master-metered for billing purposes from the County.

Water Restrictions Enforcement

Hillsborough County continues enforcement of mandatory water use restrictions for all properties within the unincorporated county area, regardless of that property’s water source. The County uses enforcement of these restrictions to assist in managing demand. During Fiscal Year 2006, the Public Utilities Department gained Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) approval to redirect processing of violations from the Clerk of the Circuit Court to Code Enforcement/Special Magistrate. The implementation of that change occurred in the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2007, which restores collected penalties and fees to the Water Conservation Reserve Trust Fund. Collected penalties are deposited into a water conservation trust fund, available to further water conservation efforts as approved by the BOCC. During 2013 the enforcement activity was transferred from the Public Utilities Department to the Code Enforcement Department. At time of necessity, the entire Code Enforcement Rapid Response Team staff can be made available to concentrate on water

restrictions enforcement. Statistical information on enforcement activity is forwarded to the Water Department from Code Enforcement on a monthly basis, for reporting to Tampa Bay Water and the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

Since enforcement began in Fiscal Year 1994, the Water Conservation Reserve Trust Fund has accrued \$3,952,703 in paid fines, penalties, insufficient check charges and interest earnings, an average of \$172,000 per year during that 23 year span. In the past five years, the average has been around \$106,000. There is no indication that this trend will change.

EDUCATIONAL MEASURES

The Hillsborough County Public Utilities Department supports numerous educational initiatives aimed at imparting knowledge of Florida's water resources amongst various targeted audiences including the following:

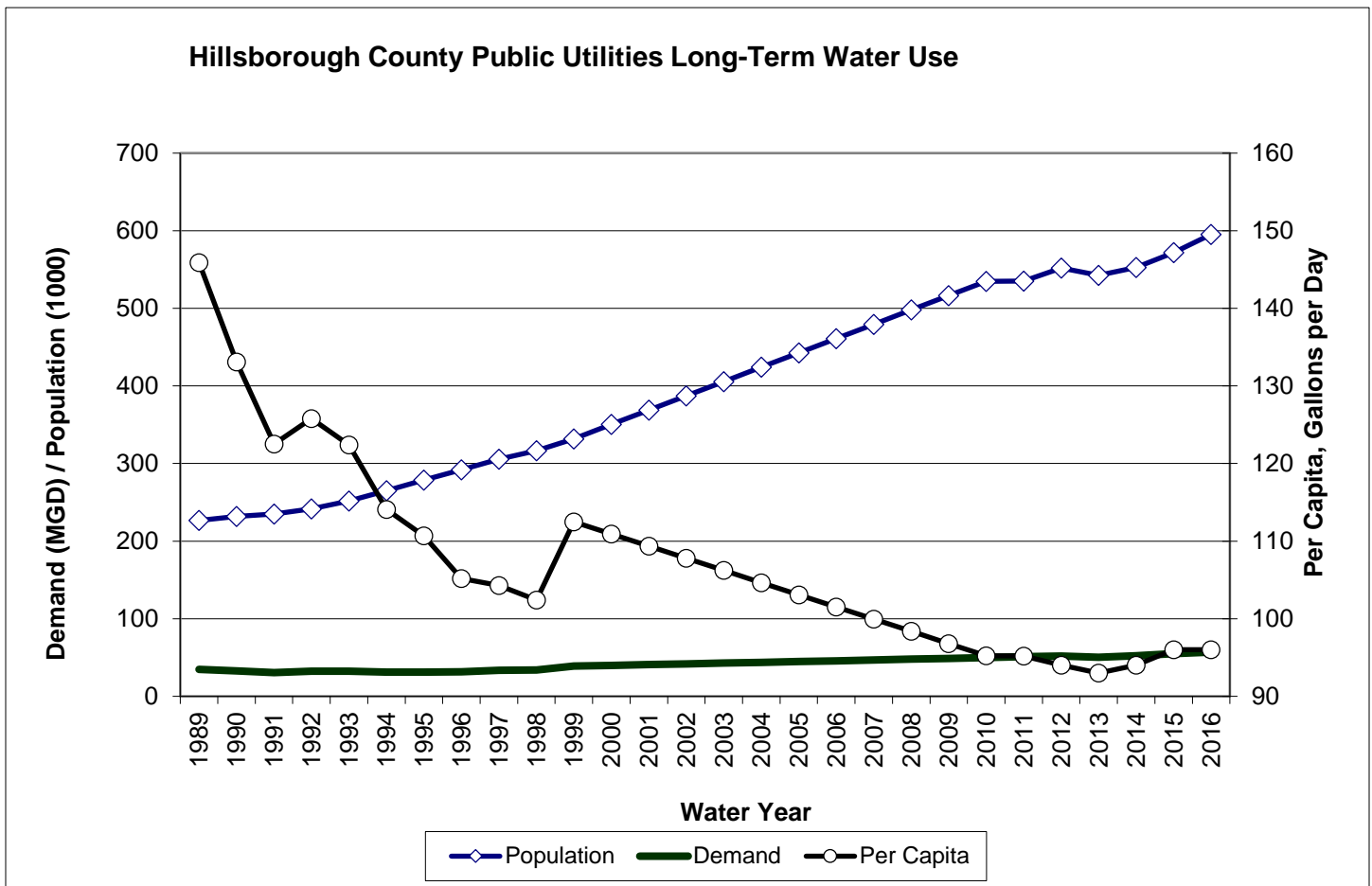
- Speakers Bureau
- Radio Advertisements
- Project Water CHAMP (Water Conservation in Hotels And Motels Program)
- Senior Citizen Water Education Training
- Printed Brochures
- Attendance w/Display at Town Hall Meetings
- Attendance w/Display at Community Events
- Annual Neighborhood Conference
- Annual Earth Day Events
- Website presence
- Annual Newspapers In Education Publication
- Promotion of Conservation Through Artwork
- 4-H Youth Water Camp
- Annual Great American Teach-In Event
- Bi-annual Condo & Homeowner Association Exposition
- Fix-A-Leak Week
- Hillsborough School District – Nature's Classroom
- FS/AWWA Drop Savers Poster Contest
- FS/AWWA Model Water Tower Competition
- Cooking Oil Recovery Effort (CORE) Participants
- Unflushables Education
- Conversion of Drinking Fountains to Bottle Filling Stations
- Neighborhood Association Events
- Illustrative Vehicle Wraps
- Demonstration Landscapes
- Annual Consumer Confidence Report
- Vertical Roll-Up Displays in Service Centers and at Events

5 Year Water Conservation Plan (2018 – 2022)

The foregoing is the Hillsborough County Public Utilities Department’s five-year water conservation plan. This implementation plan focuses on exterior and interior elements as well as economic, regulatory and educational measures. Underscoring these conservation measures is the department’s ongoing work to build consumer confidence in the public water system. This is spearheaded by the promotion of bottle filling stations throughout the community with posted conservation messages above each unit (changed out quarterly), and is further supported through the various educational efforts of the department.

The County’s reclaimed water program is separate from this plan, and will continue to be aggressively developed.

Through the combined works of the water conservation and reclaimed water programs, Hillsborough County has successfully reduced daily potable water consumption from 1989 at 146 gallons per person, while serving a population of 226,631; to a current level of 96 gallons per person, while serving a population of 595,348 (2016 data). The population served has increased 163% since 1989, while the total demand has only increased by 64% (from 34.81 million gallons per day (mgd) to 56.96 mgd). The population is increasing at two and a half times the rate of total consumption. The following chart portrays this.



CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY

CONSERVATION PLAN OVERVIEW

The City of New Port Richey has an ongoing water conservation awareness that has led to reductions in gross water use and a lower per capita water demand. In calendar year 2016 the gross water use for the City was 3.22 million gallons per day and 96 gallons per capita per day. These numbers are consistent with historical figures that have averaged 3.0 millions of gallons gross water total and 100 gallons per capita per day since the City began its conservation efforts in earnest. Prior to that gross water use had been 3.5 millions of gallons per day of gross water use and had a gallons per capita per day use higher than 120.

- The City has entered into Phase 4 of a cooperative funding agreement with SWFWMD on a Toilet Rebate Program that will replace 80 high volume toilets with low flow models.
- The City maintains one day per week irrigation restrictions, with enforcement by our Billing & Collection, Public Works and Police Departments and Code Enforcements.
- The City continues to supply customers with plumbing retrofit kits, outside conservation kits and toilet dye tabs for leak testing.
- The City includes a conservation awareness message on all water bills and in the City Newsletter and distributes conservation and leak detection information to all new city customers.
- Any City water account that reflects unusually high consumption is notified that they should look for leaks and provides them with leak and conservation information.
- The City's reclaimed water facility provided over 3.0 million gallons per day to the Pasco County Reuse System, and 2.2 million gallons per day to the City's Reuse System in 2016.

Pasco County Utilities

Water Conservation & Efficiency Program: 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN and ACTIONS TO DATE

Update: December 2015



Above: Crews Lake is one example of Pasco County's many aquatic systems benefitting from regional conservation and efficiency programs.

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1) Introduction

1.1 Background

Pasco County is currently ranked among the top ten fastest growing counties in the state of Florida. In order to balance the projected population growth of Pasco County with sustainability of its natural ecosystems, the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has taken a number of concerted and proactive steps in adopting comprehensive water conservation strategies. In addition to the highly successful Master Reuse Program, which offsets an average of more than three million gallons of potable water usage per day, Pasco County has pursued gains in water conservation and efficiency through a combination of landscaping and irrigation ordinances, High Efficiency Toilet (HET) rebates, tiered conservation-oriented rate incentives, targeted outreach and education, and cooperative partnership with the UF/IFAS Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Program.

In 2014, Pasco County Utilities established the position of Water Conservation & Efficiency Coordinator (WCEC), dedicated to the coordination, planning, and implementation of conservation and efficiency initiatives, outreach, and education as part of Pasco County's ongoing commitment to the protection and preservation of regional water resources. Over the past year, the WCEC has worked to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Utilities' conservation programs, while pursuing new opportunities for residential, commercial, and governmental stakeholders. The WCEC position provides the Utility with a focused resource for the coordination of these efforts throughout the County and the region.

1.2 Goals, Benefits, and Approach for Conservation and Efficiency Programs

In previous decades, permitted over-pumping of groundwater resources in Pasco County to satisfy regional demand had proven detrimental to its natural aquatic systems. As a result, a robust regional effort has been actively working to reduce groundwater withdrawals in order to allow surficial systems to recover. Together with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), the member governments of Tampa Bay Water (TBW), and UF/IFAS-Pasco County Extension Service's Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Program, Pasco County Utilities is committed to addressing water resource issues, focusing particular attention on the continued sustainability of groundwater withdrawals within the County.

Aside from directly benefitting the health of aquatic systems and ensuring the future availability of groundwater supplies, demand reduction can deliver a number of additional advantages, both direct and indirect, for the Utility and its customers. Reductions in demand can reduce operational costs for water and wastewater facilities, extend the lifespan of facilities and infrastructure, and delay the need for development of additional water or wastewater treatment capacity. For Pasco County, which anticipates significant population growth in the coming decades, these are particularly relevant issues, as water conservation and efficiency programs should be considered as cost-effective substitutes for increasingly expensive development of water supplies and wastewater treatment capacity. Well-designed conservation and efficiency programs therefore potentially confer measurable cost savings to customers, both directly (i.e. less end-water use = lower bills), and indirectly (i.e. deferred capital costs = delayed rate increases).

Additionally, the Tampa Bay region historically has experienced periodic cycles of drought and associated water supply shortage. Rather than face the challenges of imposing hurried, stringent restrictions when confronted with water shortages (e.g. the ongoing California drought crisis), it is far simpler and more preferable to encourage Utility customers to adopt everyday conservation and efficiency measures which are less likely to impact standard of living *before* shortage conditions exist. Such proactive measures can help extend supply through periods of drought. Furthermore, when Utility customers are already conservation-minded, there is potentially less need for extensive education and enforcement when faced with shortage conditions.

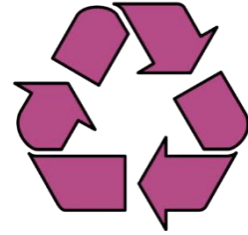
Pasco County Utilities has worked to actively engage not only the customer base of PCU, but all of the citizens of the County, with specialized outreach programs currently underway or in development for Pasco County schools, homebuilders and developers, residential high-usage customers, businesses, and the general public. Under the guidance of this Strategic Plan, Pasco County will continue its goal to educate and engage the community about the complexities of the region's water supply issues and the importance of conservation.

2) Pasco County Utilities' Water Conservation & Efficiency Programs:

The following pages contain an in-depth look at Pasco County Utilities' core Water Conservation & Efficiency programs. For more information on any of these programs, please contact the Water Conservation & Efficiency Coordinator at fgaldo@pascocountyfl.net, or by telephone at (727) 847-8131 x6813.

2.1 Master Reuse System

The utilization of reclaimed water to offset potable demand has been among the most effective potable water conservation strategies in Florida. Pasco County's Master Reuse System (PCMRS), produces reclaimed water that meets the requirements of the Florida Administrative Code, Chapter 62-610, at five facilities, which is delivered through an extensive infrastructure including 12 pump stations and storage tanks, and more than 600 miles of transmission and distribution lines. Reclaimed water is provided to numerous subdivisions and golf courses through master meters equipped with hydraulically operated, remotely controlled valves. The PCMRS services more than 12,000 residential customers and more than 250 commercial customers. In addition, as of 2015, there were 14 golf courses, 10 schools, and more than 700 acres of agricultural lands served by the reclaimed system.

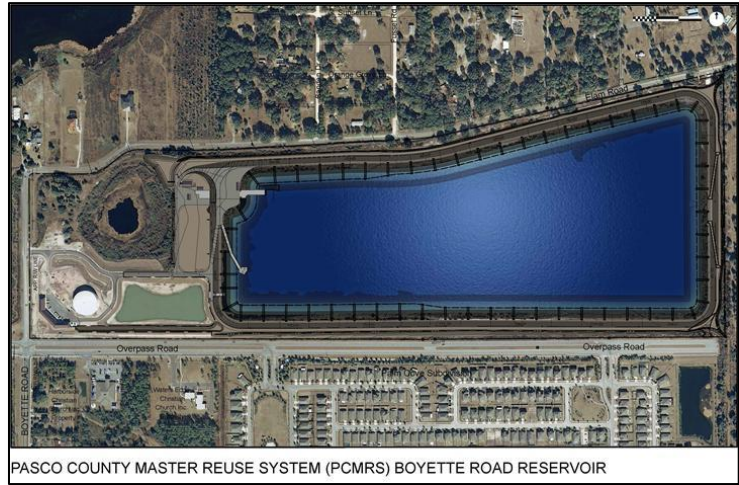


Since the development of the PCMRS, Pasco County's Board of County Commissioners has been committed to a total reuse strategy. To accommodate that strategy, PCU has endeavored to expand availability, management options, and storage capacity. The County has mandated through its reclaimed water ordinance (Article III Section 110-74) that each new development within the reclaimed water service area shall include a reclaimed water distribution system. PCU has implemented a tiered pricing structure, predicated on availability that encourages bulk users to utilize reclaimed water in lieu of using other, more finite water resources.

Pasco County operates and maintains the 100-million-gallon Land O' Lakes Reclaimed Reservoir, the largest of its kind in the state. Presently in final phases of construction, the Boyette Road Reclaimed Reservoir will hold approximately 500 mg, significantly increasing Pasco County's storage capacity, and allowing the system to continue to meet the growing demands of the County in the coming years.

The reclaimed water produced by the PCMRS has been primarily used to satisfy irrigation demand. Other management options have included the use of Rapid Rate Infiltration Basins (RRIBs) for groundwater recharge, restoration/recovery of deteriorated aquatic systems, and delivery for industrial processes. Factoring in production, storage, distribution, efficiency, and infrastructure, the PCMRS is considered one of the most dynamic reclaimed water systems in the country.

Right: Currently in final phases of construction, a rendition of the Boyette Road Reservoir which will provide storage for approximately 500 million gallons of reclaimed water.



For more information on the Pasco County Master Reuse Program please contact Pamela (Wright) Lynch: plynch@pscocoountyfl.net or visit: <http://www.pascocoountyfl.net/index.aspx?NID=579>.

2.2 High-Efficiency Toilet Rebate Program

The Ultra-Low Volume (ULV) and High-Efficiency Toilet (HET) Rebate Program has been Pasco County Utilities' primary customer-oriented active conservation strategy. This multi-phase effort, cooperatively funded by the SWFWMD, was initially designed to encourage residential water customers to replace their high water-use (≥ 3.5 gallons per flush [gpf]) toilets with ULV (1.6 gpf)* and HET (≤ 1.28 gpf) models through rebate incentives.



[*Note: In the most recent phases of the program, rebates were made available only for HET in order to maximize the cost-effectiveness of the program.] Qualifying PCU customers were eligible for up to a \$100 rebate for one toilet and up to \$80 for a second retrofitted toilet. Rebates were credited directly to the customer's account. Included as part of the program was a plumbing retrofit kit that included a high efficiency toilet flapper repair kit, a high efficiency

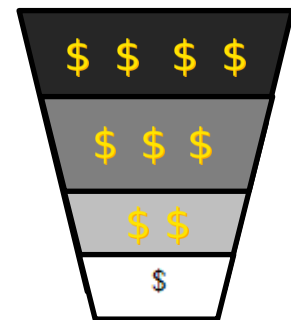
shower head, a kitchen and bathroom faucet aerator, leak detection tablets, a faucet/shower head measuring device, and a water wheel conservation information tool.

Phase I of the program began in 2008, offering the rebate to 500 PCU customers. This Phase of the program realized a savings of more than 10,000 gallons of water daily or 3.7 mg of water annually. Currently the program is in its Eighth Phase, with more than 5,800 rebates issued since the inception of the program. It is expected that Phases II through VIII will save approximately 7 million gallons of water annually. More than 11 mg of water are expected to be saved annually once the program has been completely implemented. The program has been such a success that PCU plans to continue the Toilet Rebate Program. With approximately 38,000 potential qualifying PCU customers, there remains an opportunity for substantial water savings.

For more information on this program, please contact the Pasco County Utilities Ultra Low Flow Toilet (ULFT) Rebate program administrator at 1 (800) 964-2140, or send email to plynch@pscocoountyfl.net.

2.3 Conservation-oriented tiered rate incentives

In 1996, Pasco County Utilities adopted an inverted, conservation-oriented tiered water rate structure. This type of inverted block rate structure can help to encourage conservation and efficiency through financial disincentive, wherein water usage becomes increasingly expensive as it exceeds non-discretionary needs.



These rates are periodically scrutinized and equitably adjusted, and are based upon the real costs of treating and delivering water to customers. Factors also include the costs the County has incurred for system improvements, maintenance, operations, administration and financing. Each set of proposed recommended changes must pass through a public hearing process before new rates can be adopted by resolution and put into effect. The residential rates for potable water (effective as of October 1, 2014), are shown in Table 1.

PER UNIT WATER CHARGES 5/8" & 3/4" ONLY		Base Rate = \$7.83
1,000 to 6,000 gallons		\$2.70 per 1,000 gallons
6,001 to 9,000 gallons		\$3.63 per 1,000 gallons
9,001 to 15,000 gallons		\$4.59 per 1,000 gallons
>15,001 and over		\$5.53 per 1,000 gallons

Table 1. Residential rates for potable water (effective as of October 1, 2014).

An important note regarding inverted block rate structures: In situations where high consumption was the result of a significant leak, a utility may deem it appropriate to modify or waive the higher-tiered rate charges that resulted from such unintentional usage, so as not to effectively “penalize” a customer for unintentional high usage. Pasco County Utilities’ Billing Adjustment Policy was designed to allow for such adjustments to be made in instances where upper tier charges were incurred due to a leak. Under this policy, bills for excess water usage are not forgiven, but are instead reduced to wholesale rates. *(See Pasco County Ordinance; Section 110:40 Billing Adjustments, Pasco County Utilities.)*

Tiered rate structures can potentially inequitably impact low-income customers, since financial constraints may limit these customers’ ability to upgrade fixtures and appliances or to promptly repair leaks. Coupling inverted block rates with rebate programs for water-efficient fixtures and appliances, as PCU has done through its HET Rebate Program, helps to address such unintended hardships on low-income customers. Likewise, the aforementioned leak-adjustment policy effectively provides financial incentive for the repair of leaks, reducing a customer’s “decision dilemma” of paying their water bill versus fixing a leak.

2.4 Pasco County Landscaping and Irrigation Ordinances

In Florida, sub-tropical climate conditions, sand/clay soils, and the prevalence of automatic irrigation systems combine to create substantial water-saving potential through pursuit of increased irrigation efficiency. To this end, the Pasco County BOCC enacted a

Water Restrictions Using Potable Water				
Watering Days and Times				
Irrigation of established lawns and landscaping is authorized for one day per week per Pasco County, Florida, Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 62, Article II, Division 3				
If your house number ends in:	Then you may water on:	Morning Hours	OR	Evening Hours
0 or 1	Monday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
2 or 3	Tuesday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
4 or 5	Wednesday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
6 or 7	Thursday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
8 or 9	Friday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
Mixed or No Address	Friday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
Non-Watering Days	Saturday and Sunday	NONE		NONE

Irrigation is prohibited between the hours of 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.

landscape ordinance in 2002 that mandates efficient irrigation system design and installation, limits the amount of turf grass that requires irrigation, mandates a minimum of 30 percent native vegetation, and limits high volume irrigation to no more than 50 percent of a property's green space. The County currently restricts irrigation of established landscapes to one day per week (potable or well water) and two days per week (reclaimed). (See Chapter 62 - NATURAL RESOURCES, ARTICLE II. - WATER SUPPLY, Sec. 62-98. – Declaration of water shortage; restrictions; & Pasco County Land Development Code, Chapter 900, Sec. 905.2 & 905.4)

A brief note on Soil Moisture Sensors (SMS):

The County's landscape ordinance requires all new irrigation systems to be equipped with a rain shut-off device or Soil Moisture Sensor (SMS) [per Chapter 373.62, Florida Statutes / SWFWMD Rule 40D-22, Year-Round Water Conservation Measures]. As of 2005, the ordinance included a provision that allows for 65 percent of a property's green space to be irrigated turf grass with the use of SMS devices, as an incentive to encourage their installation in new development throughout Pasco County. This modification was based on recent research from UF/IFAS showing that SMS technology offers substantial water conservation benefits over rain shut-off devices*, particularly over the long-term. Recent increases in SMS building permits may indicate an upward trend in builders' adoption of SMS technology.

*Savings contingent upon proper siting and calibration.

Please visit <http://www.pascocountyfl.net/index.aspx?NID=172> for information on watering restrictions and schedules.

2.5 Builder / developer outreach plan to improve water efficiency during sod establishment and customer move-in period



Program Summary:

Issue addressed: Home-builders' irrigation during sod-establishment period is often extremely excessive, especially when compared to recent UF/IFAS research on the water requirements of turf-grass establishment. In addition, in situations where the sod establishment period had not been completed before the new homeowner assumed responsibility for the water account, some homeowners have been blindsided with extremely large first water bills, due to the continuation of the builder's excessive irrigation schedule. This has created customer service issues for both Utilities and the builders, and an unpleasant "welcome" for the new homeowner/customer.

Solution: Working directly with builders / developers / irrigation professionals / FFL™ Program Coordinators to determine current practices, knowledge gaps, information needs, and develop an action plan.

- Development of a variety of educational materials for builders / developers regarding:
 - BMPs for sod establishment irrigation, according to UF/IFAS research.
 - Irrigation scheduling for the post-establishment period – best practices, Pasco County Landscape and Irrigation Ordinances, etc.
 - Common programming mistakes for irrigation timers – educational materials.
 - Raising awareness of assistance available through UF/IFAS Pasco County Extension Service / Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Program.
 - Benefits of Soil Moisture Sensors (contingent upon proper calibration and location) re: potential water savings during wet and dry conditions.
 - Incentives available via the Pasco County Landscape & Irrigation Ordinance - allows higher percentage of yard to contain irrigated turf with installation of SMS due to expected substantial water savings (65/35 vs. 50/50).
 - Increased reliability compared to rain shut-off devices.
 - Promotion of "smart irrigation," "green homes," water & cost-saving, etc.

Detailed Program Description:

The sod establishment period often represents one of the most intensive uses of water in a residential setting. Even when established according to best practices, the typical Floratam / St. Augustine lawn requires over six (6) gallons of water per square foot. An examination of builder water usage indicated that while irrigation rates vary widely among builders and developments, most builders vastly exceeded the horticultural requirements for turfgrass establishment.

Discussions with builders indicated that this level of water usage was often considered “the cost of doing business.” However, aside from the direct cost incurred by homebuilders, this thinking had repeatedly presented problematic dispute situations with new homeowners, who often were blindsided by a shockingly high initial water bill – the result of the irrigation timer programming left behind by the builder. As these customers attempted to assign blame for their unexpected water usage, this typically became an issue for both Utilities Customer Information & Services and for the builders.

In order to address this issue, the WCEC began a pilot program in conjunction with the Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Program Coordinator to work proactively with members of the builder / developer community. This proactive approach has included the development of builder / developer outreach plan designed to improve water efficiency during the sod establishment period, facilitate adoption of SMS technology, and ensure transition to an efficient maintenance irrigation schedule for the benefit of the incoming customer.

Input has been sought from members of the builder / developer community, as well as from irrigation professionals in order to determine current practices, critical knowledge gaps, and information needs, in order to develop a strategic plan for successful implementation. Educational materials have been compiled pertaining to the benefits of SMS, irrigation best practices for sod establishment and maintenance (according to UF/IFAS research), and common irrigation timer programming errors. Thus far, response to this pilot program has been positive, and preliminary results are currently being tracked to determine the potential water savings through widespread implementation.



2.6 Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services / UF/IFAS Pasco County Extension Service - Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Cooperative Irrigation Assistance Program

Program Summary:

Issue addressed: Turf-grass and landscape irrigation typically represents the single largest use of water for Florida homeowners. Irrigation systems can use in excess of 1,000 gallons for each hour they run – or approximately 20 gallons per minute. Simple errors in programming an irrigation timer can easily result in vastly excessive irrigation, which often goes unnoticed unless a homeowner receives an unexpectedly high water bill. These programming errors, while easy to make, are often difficult for homeowners to self-diagnose and correct.

Solution:

- Utilize complementary proactive / reactive strategies
- Identify customers whose usage of potable water for landscape irrigation significantly exceeds horticultural requirements -and/or- whose irrigation usage is excessive due to an unintentional timer programming error.
 - Customers are identified one of two ways:
 - 1) Proactive – By comparing billed usage (over 25,000 gallons) to a theoretical “Target Maximum” usage (based upon lot size and pervious area), high-consumption accounts are identified as candidates for irrigation outreach.
 - 2) Reactive – In response to customer complaint/concern. Provides a high level of successful dispute resolution.
 - Meter profiles are typically used to identify/confirm usage patterns consistent with excessive irrigation. Customer often initially denies irrigation is occurring on the schedule identified in profile, or is unable to self-diagnose the programming issue(s). Customers in this category often believe the system is OFF, running once per week, etc. Attempts at self-troubleshooting have failed.
 - FFL™ Program Coordinator provides education and assistance regarding efficient irrigation, proper timer programming, etc.
 - FFL™ Program Coordinator confirms current settings on irrigation clock (in presence of homeowner); makes changes as necessary for efficient irrigation, and for compliance with Pasco County watering ordinance (All changes made with explicit permission of homeowner.)

Program benefits:

- *Substantial potable water savings, cost savings, demand reduction*
- *Prevention of recurrence through customer education*
- *Complaint/dispute resolution if customer was unable to self-diagnose issue*
- *Promotion of Florida Friendly Landscaping™ principles*
- *Increased awareness of FFL™ Program & UF/IFAS Cooperative Extension*

Detailed program description:

With the combination of high-volume usage, high-tech controllers (allowing multiple start-times, multiple programs, etc.) and automatic operation during overnight or early morning hours, irrigation systems can waste vast quantities of water - inadvertently and unknowingly - through a variety of simple programming errors. In fact, incorrect programming of automatic irrigation timers is frequently identified through Utility troubleshooting as a cause for customers' unexpected high water usage. However, due to the complexity of irrigation timer programming, this is often one of the most difficult issues for a customer to self-diagnose and troubleshoot. In fact, even when presented with water meter flow data clearly illustrating excessive irrigation as the cause (in the form of a meter profile), customers are often "certain" that their "irrigation system is off," or that "they ONLY water once per week."

In an effort to both provide the highest levels of customer service and promote responsible use of Pasco County's water resources, Pasco County Utilities has established a proactive partnership with the Pasco County Cooperative Extension Service's FFL™ Program Coordinator. Pre-qualified customers are eligible to receive a free irrigation efficiency consultation through the Pasco County Cooperative Extension Service's FFL™ Program.

Participating customers receive a free assessment of their landscape's water requirements, as well as on-site assistance and education in efficient irrigation timer programming. Consultations may also include test-running of the irrigation system in order to check for leaks, broken sprinkler-heads, misdirected sprays, and other potential sources of irrigation inefficiency. Homeowners also receive publications from UF/IFAS including the *Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Handbook* and *Plant Selection Guide*, a rain gauge to assess need for irrigation, and a catch-can to measure irrigation output.

After a customer has received assistance, water usage is tracked and compared with prior usage history. Customers who have participated in this outreach program typically have realized immediate, significant, and lasting reductions in their monthly water usage. As a direct result of this collaborative partnership with the FFL™ Program, it is estimated that Pasco County Utilities' customers collectively saved 25 million gallons of potable water during the past year, simply through increasing the efficiency of their landscape irrigation.

In addition to producing significant levels of measurable water savings, this cooperative program has frequently yielded benefits for Utilities Customer Service in the form of dispute resolution, as the Program Coordinator is often able to confirm, in the presence of the customer, instances where irrigation timer settings effectively accounted for their disputed high usage. Because customers were often unaware of irrigation programming mistakes (and their potential for substantial water waste), the expert's education and on-site confirmation of irrigation settings are often critical in providing an explanation and context for the high usage. By providing both an adequate explanation *and* the appropriate solutions to prevent recurrence, a formerly negative customer experience (i.e. an unexpected high bill) has often been transformed into a genuinely positive customer service experience - one which demonstrates the best in local government cooperation working for the benefit of its citizens.

Selection and pre-qualification process

Customers may be selected for this program by one of two methods:

Proactive: Periodically, reports of high-consumption ($\geq 25,000$ gallons), active residential accounts are exported from the CIS to be screened by the Program Coordinator, who will determine whether a customer qualifies for assistance. Determinations are based on lot size, pervious area, and a theoretical "Target Maximum" water usage. Customers selected by this method are contacted directly by the Program Coordinator and offered assistance through the program.

Reactive: Alternatively, customers are referred to the Program Coordinator after contacting Utilities regarding a high usage complaint. The Program Coordinator's services are offered if the usage has been determined by Utilities to be likely related to irrigation inefficiencies, often through AMR profile analysis. If the customer accepts assistance, they are placed in contact with

the Program Coordinator to schedule a site visit. Results from the site visit are then relayed back to the referring Utilities staff for documentation in the customer’s account.

From a customer service standpoint, this cooperative partnership has yielded excellent results for dispute resolution when excessive irrigation was implicated as contributing to the high usage. Simultaneously, from the perspective of conservation and efficiency, the program has yielded significant quantifiable water savings. This unique program will continue to be a key component in Utilities Customer Information & Services outreach and education, and could potentially serve as a model for similar cooperative programs throughout the region.

2.7 Customer Education & Outreach Regarding High Consumption

Program Summary:

Issues addressed: Upon reviewing numerous cases of high-consumption disputes, several common reoccurring themes emerged which tended to contribute toward escalation. Issues included lack of understanding of flow rates, confusion over bill presentation, and a lack of basic DIY troubleshooting skills. Customers often (falsely) believe that in order to attain their recent increase in consumption, “their house should be underwater, etc...” however, with high consumption, this is very rarely the case. Relatively few high-usage scenarios actually result in catastrophic flooding of the home or yard. Most causes of high usage can easily go unnoticed – until a large bill is received.

Increasing the effectiveness of customer communication and education was identified as a potential means to help achieve greater satisfactory resolution, reduce escalation of disputes, and possibly prevent future recurrence of high-usage events.

Solution:

Enhancement of Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services' communication and customer education regarding high consumption:

- Addresses the question, "How could I have used that much water?"
 - End goals of successful communication:
 - Customers educated about numerous possible causes for high usage, gain a better understanding of common flow-rates, etc.
 - Customers learn simple DIY self-checks.
 - Customers learn to identify and address common sources of inefficiencies / high-usage.
 - Customers learn how to prevent / self-diagnose future issues.
 - Provides opportunity to teach additional efficiency tips such as seasonal irrigation adjustment, etc.

Detailed Program Description:

Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services Department has routinely delivered a variety of information and assistance to customers concerned about high usage. Troubleshooting tips and Do-It-Yourself checklists have been provided over the phone, via email, online at the Utilities website, and via informational pamphlets available in the lobbies of Utilities offices. Information typically has included how to check meter readings, how to use the meter "flow indicator" to check for leaks, how to dye-test toilets, how to check water softeners, how to perform overnight reads, and how to comply with County Ordinance regarding water-use restrictions. Water-saving tips are also regularly provided to Pasco County Utility Customers and the greater Pasco community through billing inserts, the "Community Connection Newsletter," and through contributions to Chamber of Commerce newsletters.

However, upon reviewing numerous cases of high-consumption disputes, several common recurring themes emerged which tended to contribute toward complaint escalation. Issues included lack of understanding of flow rates, confusion over bill presentation, and a lack of basic DIY troubleshooting skills. Increasing the effectiveness of customer communication and education was identified as a potential means to help achieve greater satisfactory resolution, reduce escalation of disputes, and possibly prevent future recurrence of high-usage events.

To this end, a suite of communication tools have been drafted by the WCEC (pending approval) with the goal of increasing customer confidence in conveyed information, and reducing the number of escalated calls. These include draft customer communications regarding:

- DIY troubleshooting for high usage
- leak detection
- FFL™ Irrigation Assistance Program
- AMR / billing
- Interpretation of profile patterns

A note on troubleshooting high consumption as it relates to conservation and efficiency:

When blindsided by an unexpected high water bill, a customer’s first assumption may be to suspect the meter, meter reading, or billing processes. However, the overwhelming majority of high usage concerns are related to actual (but yet unidentified) usage of water. Often, the water in question did not go toward useful or necessary purposes, but was instead “wasted,” or used inefficiently. Such wasted water is possibly the easiest target for conservation, since the customer had no intention of using it in the first place, and now has an active interest in preventing recurrence. However, the Utility must first help the customer understand *how* the water may have been unknowingly used or “lost” in the first place.

When a customer contacts Utilities with a question, concern, or complaint related to high water usage, they ultimately require two pieces of information: 1) how this usage could have occurred without their knowledge, and 2) how to prevent its recurrence. If communication is successful, the customer not only addresses their current issue; they also acquire an awareness of a) the numerous unseen ways that water can be used without any knowledge of the homeowner, b) the necessary means to check for additional problems in the future, and c) relief that they will not continue to face similar bills month after month.

2.8 AMR System & CIS Software

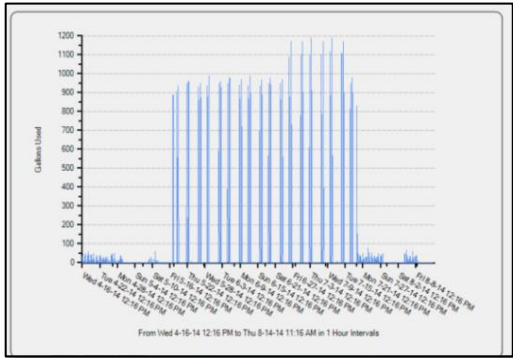
Pasco County’s water service is measured and billed using meters. PCU has recently completed implementation of Automated Meter Reading (AMR) technology throughout the potable and reclaimed water systems. The AMR system enables field representatives to efficiently and accurately obtain water usage data, flag accounts with possible leaks, and identify meter tampering via a radio-transmitted signal without encroaching on a customer's property. Together with a new CIS billing system, implemented in July 2014, this technology is enabling PCU to develop targeted, proactive and reactive communication with customers regarding high consumption concerns.



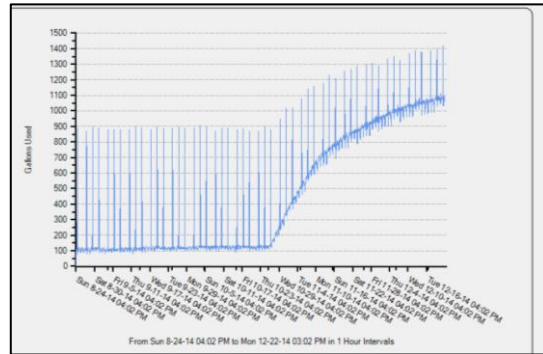
Above: A Meter Reader downloads profile data.

The meters internally log flow history, recorded in 10 gallon increments. In the event that a customer has experienced a period of unexpected high usage, this flow record can be downloaded from the meter using a hand-held receiver. Known as a “profile,” this data allows Utilities staff to provide unprecedented levels of targeted customer service in response to unexpected high usage. When communicated effectively, the profile has proven a highly effective tool for dispute resolution and customer assistance.

Below & right: Excerpts from a profile show a pattern consistent with excessive high-volume irrigation – the result of a common timer programming error.



Sun 5-18-14 06:16 PM	0
Sun 5-18-14 07:16 PM	0
Sun 5-18-14 08:16 PM	870
Sun 5-18-14 09:16 PM	900
Sun 5-18-14 10:16 PM	780
Sun 5-18-14 11:16 PM	910
Mon 5-19-14 12:16 AM	560
Mon 5-19-14 01:16 AM	30
Mon 5-19-14 02:16 AM	0
Mon 5-19-14 03:16 AM	0
Mon 5-19-14 04:16 AM	0
Mon 5-19-14 05:16 AM	0
Mon 5-19-14 06:16 AM	600
Mon 5-19-14 07:16 AM	940
Mon 5-19-14 08:16 AM	820
Mon 5-19-14 09:16 AM	870
Mon 5-19-14 10:16 AM	610
Mon 5-19-14 11:16 AM	240
Mon 5-19-14 12:16 PM	0
Mon 5-19-14 01:16 PM	0
Mon 5-19-14 02:16 PM	0



Above: (L) A small defect in a PVC pipe, discovered as the source of a 1,000,000+ gallon underground leak through the cooperative efforts of Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services and the Pasco County FFL™ Coordinator. (R) A graph showing the escalating water consumption resulting from the pipe failure. At the time of discovery, average flow exceeded 1,000 gallons per hour, punctuated by even higher usage during irrigation events. This type of data is now available through the Pasco County Automated Meter Reading (AMR) system.

2.9 Industrial / Commercial / Institutional (ICI) Outreach Program

While the majority of conservation and efficiency outreach efforts have been focused on the residential sector, the WCEC has begun several preliminary initiatives targeted toward the ICI sector in Pasco County. These have included:

- Creation of billing system reports for identification of high-consumption commercial accounts, followed by proactive courtesy outreach. (See example illustrated below.)
- Communication with Pasco County School District Conservation & Recycling Program staff regarding opportunities for water conservation & efficiency at District facilities.
 - Focused on cost-effectiveness of various strategies, such as:
 - A/C Cooling Towers
 - Pre-rinse spray valves (kitchen/cafeteria)
 - Toilet / urinal efficiency
 - Landscape / athletic field irrigation

- Promotion of water conservation & efficiency programs targeted at lodging facilities:
 - *Southwest Florida Water Management District’s Water Conservation Hotel and Motel Program (Water CHAMP)*
 - *US Environmental Protection Agency’s H₂OTEL Challenge*

Water CHAMP

Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) sponsors The Water CHAMP, which assists regional lodging facilities in implementing meaningful, cost effective water saving measures such as linen and towel reuse programs. Participation is straightforward and free of cost for regional lodging facilities. Printed materials, a self-audit checklist, and a training video for staff are all included to assist with implementation of the program. Pasco County Utilities has actively promoted the program to County lodging establishments through the Department of Tourism and local Chambers of Commerce.



H₂OTEL Challenge

In February 2014, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) launched the Water Sense H₂OTEL Challenge in February 2014, to encourage hotels to "ACT." ACT is an acronym, standing for:



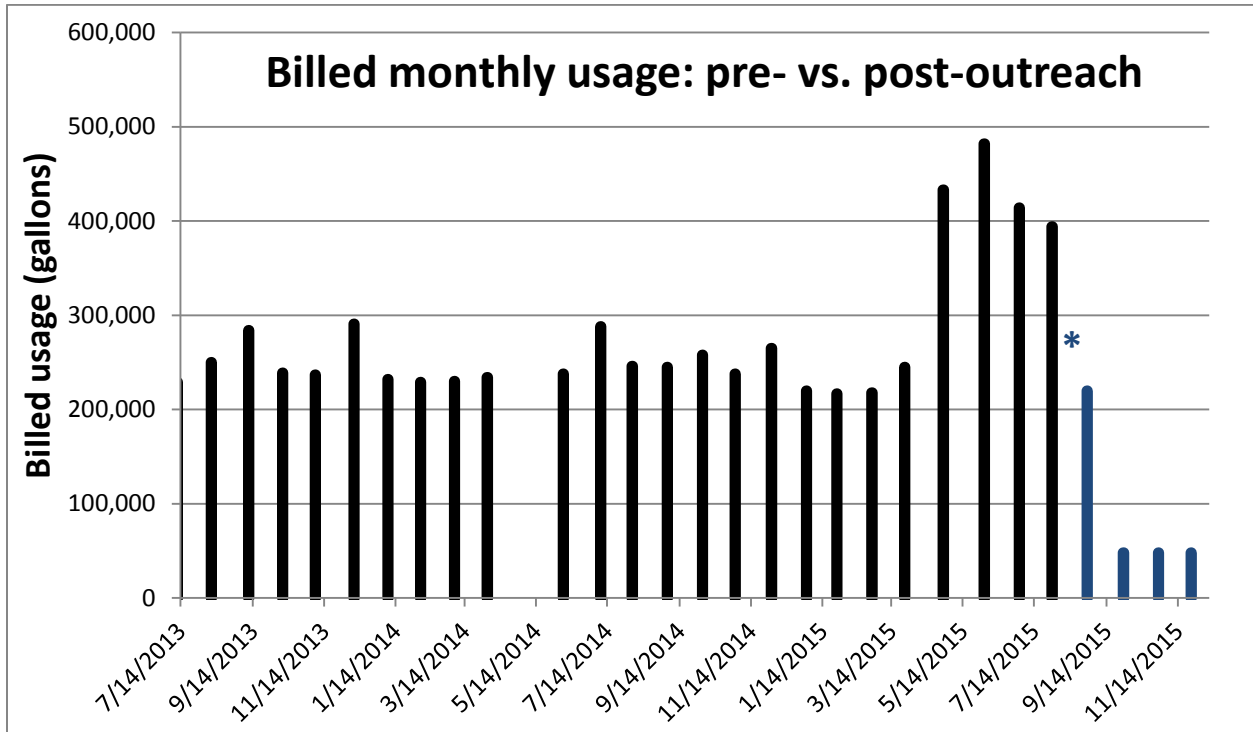
- **Assess** water use and savings opportunities
- **Change** products or processes to incorporate best management practices
- **Track** their water–saving progress and achievements

Lodging facilities may [visit the H2Otel Challenge website](#) to start receiving free recognition, outreach, and technical tools that will assist in saving water, energy, and

money. Webinars are periodically offered to introduce interested businesses to the program benefits and requirements.

As part of April’s Water Conservation Month activities, the WCEC actively promoted the availability of these programs, including an introductory webinar for the H₂O TEL Challenge (“Take the Plunge” - April 16th, 2015) to Pasco County lodging facilities through a variety of routes, including the Pasco County Department of Tourism and regional Chambers of Commerce.

Example - An ICI Outreach Case-Study:



Above: Unusually high usage for this commercial account was identified through analysis of billing system data. Following proactive courtesy contact in August 2015, the dramatic reduction in usage significantly exceeded anticipated levels, decreasing by a factor of approximately 10x compared to the previous maximum monthly consumption (48,000 gallons versus 482,000 gallons).

2.10 Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest



Background

The Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest is a joint outreach program between Pasco County Utilities and the Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA) that educates Pasco County elementary school students (K-5) about water's importance. Beginning in 2010 as a decision between Pasco County Utilities and FGUA administrations to collaborate on marketing initiatives for their respective school outreach programs, the program has developed into a full-fledged partnership between the two utilities, with cooperation and logistical support from the Pasco County School District's Office of Teaching and Learning.



From early participation levels of ten schools and approximately five hundred students, the program has experienced steady growth, thanks in part to the support of the District's Office of Teaching and Learning, increased community sponsor contributions, and process improvements designed to streamline registration, distribution of materials, and poster submission procedures. In 2013, this program received acclaim from the Florida Chapter of the American Water Works Association (AWWA), recognized as "Best in Class" for Public Education Programs.

2015 Contest – Water, Water Everywhere:

The 2015 Water Awareness Poster Contest witnessed significant growth, with representation from thirty public schools, and nearly one hundred teachers registered throughout the District. This growth was due to a number of factors, including streamlined program design, and increased staff resources with the addition of the WCEC.

Based on teacher feedback from previous years, an expanded suite of teaching materials and classroom activities was developed for the 2015 program, including the creation of seven ‘mini-themes’ within the general program theme, “Water, water, everywhere!” This allowed teachers increased flexibility and customization of the program to suit their individual curricula and grade level. Mini-themes examined subjects such as: Where is fresh water found? How do plants and animals survive when water is scarce, and what can humans learn from these adaptations? Aside from simple survival, how do people use water? What can we do to use water wisely?

The 2015 program benefitted significantly from the introduction of a fully developed website – www.watercontest.org, which provided online access to PowerPoint presentations, teaching materials, classroom activities, rules and instructions, and sponsor information. The website was central to a number of process improvements designed to streamline the registration and submission phases of the contest. Because program materials were available electronically, the 2015 program saw a significant reduction in the amount of paper materials requiring distribution throughout the county. This provided savings of costs and resources, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, and significantly reduced lag times for distribution of materials to and from teachers.

Teacher feedback for the 2015 Contest was solicited via an online survey administered after program closeout. Feedback for this year’s contest was overwhelmingly positive, indicating a very high level of satisfaction among participants. Future programs will continue to focus on creating teaching materials that are highly interactive, engaging, and adaptable, working closely with the District and its teachers to ensure strong fit within curriculum and Common Core.

The WCEC and the Joint Poster Contest Team will continue to research potential branching-out for future programs, including new funding sources, additional or alternative prizes, new poster display locations, and possible alternative formats (calendars, books, etc.) In addition, the team will assess the potential to develop new or expanded programs to engage middle and/or high school students in learning about water-related issues.



Above: Images from 6th Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest – (Left) “Save Water – Lick Your Plate!” Winner: 4th Grade by Madeleine Ward; (Center) Final Judging Ceremony – West Pasco Government Center; (Right) Jeremy Castanza [FGUA] and Frank Galdo [PCU] of The Poster Contest Project Team presenting awards to winning students at Trinity Oaks Elementary School.

For more information on this program, please visit www.watercontest.org.

2.11 TBW - Community Water-Wise Awards

Each year, Tampa Bay Water works in conjunction with regional utilities and the FFL™ Program to promote and



coordinate the annual Community Water-Wise Awards. This program was designed to recognize individuals and businesses for creating and maintaining attractive, water-conserving landscapes utilizing Florida Friendly Landscaping™ practices. The program’s judging criteria serve to highlight irrigation systems or techniques that minimize water waste and protect the environment, while simultaneously showcasing the aesthetic and wildlife-attracting potential that exists in the finest “Florida Friendly” landscapes.

For more information on this program, the judging process, and photos from past winners, please visit: <http://tampabaywaterwise.org/>

3) Conclusion - A note on strategic planning approach:

As noted in the American Water Works Association (AWWA)'s *Conservation Communications Guide*, "awareness and even belief do not necessarily translate to a desired behavior. Conservation hinges upon an action." An effective program should therefore aim to provide the necessary motivation and information, as well as the means required for the target audience to engage and participate.

The AWWA *Conservation Communications Guide* also points out the importance of identifying and understanding each target audience, and tailoring both the messages and methods of delivery specific to their needs.

"In attempting to speak to everyone, there's potential to dilute the message so much that no one receives it." – from the AWWA "Conservation Communications Guide"

In order to identify opportunities for conservation and efficiency programs, research has been conducted into the current state of such efforts in Pasco County, as well as the greater region. This research included the documentation and evaluation of current programs, the identification of relevant stakeholders and target audiences, assessment of potential barriers to implementation or participation, and determination of critical knowledge or information gaps. Pasco County Utilities continues to build upon the successes of its conservation and efficiency programs, while continuing to work with TBW and other regional partners to develop new ways to manage water demand for future generations of Floridians.



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4) Appendix:

A) Demand Projections:

Pasco County has been a technical advisor to TBW's development of a long-term demand forecast model that provides projections of demand based on projected socioeconomic growth, meteorological conditions, and government policies implemented. The agency updates its demand forecast for each member annually to correct any future issues associated with changes in growth patterns and/or water use. Future demand, as projected by TBW's most recent Long-term Demand Forecast model, is provided in Table 2.

TABLE 2. Source: Tampa Bay Water Updated Regional Long-term Demand Forecast 2017-2040

Pasco Water Demand Planning Area (WDPA) - 2014 base year

Year	Pasco WDPA
2015 ⁽¹⁾	25.8
2017	29.2
2018	30.0
2019	30.6
2020	31.0
2025	32.9
2030	34.2
2035	35.5
2040	36.6

1: Actual Demands for Water Year 2015



Pinellas County Utilities Water Conservation Program Update For Tampa Bay Water's 5 year Water Conservation Plan 2018 - 2022

Pinellas County Utilities (PCU) provides retail and wholesale potable water service to 665,000 citizens in our water demand planning area, which includes the cities of Clearwater, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor and Tarpon Springs. PCU serves 114,228 retail accounts. Of these, 80% or 90,907 are single family accounts, 13% or 15,274 are multi-family accounts (serving 136,818 housing units), and 7% or 8,047 are commercial accounts. As a result of PCU's successful water conservation education and outreach programs, per capita water use has significantly declined from 153 gallons per person per day in FY 1990 to 71 gallons per person per day in FY 2016/17. Total water production was 51 MGD in FY 2016/17.

In accordance with the reporting requirements of WUP No. 20011771.001 for Tampa Bay Water's Central System the following information is provided.

1. Reclaimed Water

a. North County Regional Reclaimed Water System

The William E. Dunn Water Reclamation Facility produces an annual average daily reclaimed water flow of 7.8 MGD. The reclaimed water is distributed for residential irrigation, golf course irrigation, and irrigation of other public access areas.

- The regional interconnects with Clearwater and Oldsmar have been operational for ten years. The annual average daily reclaimed water flow received from the interconnect system for this time period was 1.08 MGD. This supplemental flow has been instrumental in meeting the increased demands from our system wide expansion.
- There are a total of 6,445 retail reclaimed water customers connected to our North County Reclaimed Water System.
- PCU has implemented mandatory seasonal restrictions on reclaimed water use. This demand management strategy will be utilized with other strategies in order to balance supply and demand on the system.

b. South County Regional Reclaimed Water System

The South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility is an advanced wastewater treatment facility that produces an annual average daily reclaimed water flow of 22.98 MGD. The reclaimed water is distributed for residential irrigation, golf course irrigation, and irrigation of other public access areas.

- The County provides reclaimed water on a wholesale basis to the cities of Pinellas Park, South Pasadena, and St. Pete Beach. There are a total of 23,885 wholesale and retail reclaimed water customers connected to our South County Reclaimed Water System.
- The County has implemented mandatory seasonal restrictions. This demand management strategy will be utilized with other strategies in order to balance supply and demand on the system.
- The County will be developing a strategic business plan for both regional reclaimed water systems. This plan will identify the appropriate strategies and objectives to ensure operational effectiveness and sustainability long term.

Pinellas County Utilities has been operating the SAP customer service computer information system for the past ten years. This complex system is responsible for providing customer information, such as consumption data from billing records and customer connection rates. We have provided the best information available to us at this time and continue to refine data within the customer information system database.

It is still estimated that the total build-out of the North and South County reclaimed water systems will result in approximately 32,000 customers utilizing 33 MGD of reclaimed water to offset approximately 6.9 MGD of potable water use.

2. Ultra Low Flow Toilet Rebate Program

Pinellas County's Ultra Low Flow Toilet (ULFT) Rebate Program was completed in July 2010. This nine year program received cooperative funding from the Pinellas-Anclote River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The program provided for District reimbursement to the County of 50% of each rebate given with each rebate not to exceed \$100.

Over the life of the program, 106,263 high flow toilets were replaced with low flow units within the retail water service area of Pinellas County and within the service areas of our wholesale water customers; the cities of Clearwater, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor, and Tarpon Springs.

The ability to quantify water savings over the life of the program was an important measurement of the program's benefit to the County and its citizens. One year of water use data prior to, and one year after toilet installation was collected as the raw data for the water saving analysis. The program achieved an estimated 2.8 million gallons of potable water savings per day. The program surpassed the original water conservation goal of 2 million gallons per day of potable water savings through the replacement of 93,000 high flow toilets. Although the program was discontinued, the effort was very successful, and we continue to realize potable water savings from the ULFT Rebate Program installations.

2.a. Toilet Flapper Replacement Education Program

Tampa Bay Water and its members successfully implemented the ULFT Marketing and Implementation Strategies Program. This long term education program's main objectives are:

- Retain savings of existing rebated and installed ULFT's by identifying and overcoming public barriers to flapper replacement.
- Provide information to the industry and the public on proper selection and installation of chemical resistant, well fitting, water conserving replacement toilet flappers.
- Increase public awareness of the importance for matching the correct replacement flapper to the toilet's designed flushing capabilities.

The brochure describing leak detection and proper replacement flapper selection and installation was provided to participants in the ULFT Rebate Program and will continue to be one of the publications available to our customers. Flapper replacement information has been added to our leak detection brochure that is an element of the information sent to customers with high bill complaints, and information on flapper replacement is posted on the Utilities web site.

3. Fixture Retrofit

Over the past 20 years more than 300,000 water saving retrofit kits have been distributed to PCU customers, saving 2-3 million gallons of water per day. These kits included low flow showerheads, low flow faucet aerators, toilet displacement bags, and leak detection tablets. Kits will continue to be distributed until current stock is depleted.

4. Clothes Washer Rebate/Replacement

PCU does not currently offer a large appliance rebate, i.e. low volume clothes washers. As has been expressed by other member governments, Pinellas County has concerns about the potential of the rebated appliance not staying at a residential property where the rebate was initiated.

5. Dishwasher Rebate/Replacement

PCU does not currently offer a large appliance rebate, i.e. low volume dishwashers, but may evaluate this option in the future for the commercial sector.

6. Irrigation and Landscape Evaluations

PCU does not currently offer irrigation and landscape evaluations but may evaluate this option in the future.

6a. Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program

PCU works with the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) environmental education and action program designed to teach and promote environmentally-friendly landscaping practices. Classes are designed to teach residents about landscape management best practices in water conservation, pollution prevention, shoreline protection, lawn and landscape care, and many other topics.

During FY17, Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ educators and volunteers in Pinellas County reached 4,425 residents through 182 outreach events. Information on this program is also posted on the Pinellas County Extension website. Television, radio, and website education accounted for 42,095 potential contacts.

The Community Outreach Program works with community associations to diagnose and modify areas needing enhancement in their community. The primary focus of the program is on creating healthy landscapes that reduce the need for water and chemical inputs. Additionally, the Outreach Program provides a service to high waters users requesting an irrigation system evaluation. The evaluation includes but is not limited to adjusting time clock settings, spraying pattern and runtime. Educational information on how to maximize water use without compromising landscape health is also included. PCU Customer Service provides client contacts.

The FFL Program also offers a Florida-Friendly Yard Recognition Program, which offers homeowners an opportunity for recognition of their landscapes that meet the Tampa Bay area's high standards of environmental excellence. This program utilizes Master Gardener volunteers to interface with the community.

Rainwater harvesting workshops teach residents the importance of collecting and reusing rainwater that falls on their site. Fifty-five gallon rain barrels are available for purchase at workshops if residents do not want to build their own system.

A variety of other workshop topics are presented to community groups as requested.

6b. Water Wise Landscaping

The flagship series of classes for the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program in Pinellas County is offered at the Extension office in Largo. The FFL educators offer one class per month with a variety of topics being presented. The goal is to establish lasting relationships with clientele and to build a strong following of repeat attendees.

Topics scheduled for FY18 include:

- Florida-Friendly Lawn and Landscape Care
- Vegetable Gardening and Micro irrigation
- Designing a Florida-Friendly Landscape
- Treating Rain as a Resource
- Right Plant, Right Place by Habitat
- Using Natives in a Florida-Friendly Landscape

6c. Reclaimed Water Educational Outreach Initiative

PCU and the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) outreach coordinator collaborated in developing and executing an outreach program tailored for reclaimed water customers. The initiative is intended to educate community associations and homeowners throughout the year on best use of reclaimed water and proper landscaping practices to reduce reclaimed water use and attain healthy landscapes.

The first DIY Landscape and Irrigation Expo at the East Lake Library drew 106 attendees. Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ experts provided a presentation titled “What to do during drought”. Participants then had the opportunity to visit numerous displays, obtain educational information on reclaimed water distribution and maintenance, irrigation, time clock settings and landscaping.

7. Irrigation/Landscape Rebate

PCU does not currently offer rebates for modification of irrigation systems to increase standards or rebates to modify landscapes to a more water efficient landscape, but may evaluate this option in the future.

7a. Alternate Water Source Rebate Program

Pinellas County’s Alternate Water Source (AWS) Rebate Program was completed in September 2010. The program provided rebates to customers using potable water for irrigation when they installed an alternate water irrigation source including deep wells, shallow wells, and surface water withdrawal systems. This program received cooperative funding from the Pinellas-Anclote River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The program provided for District reimbursement to the County of 50% of each rebate given, with each rebate not to exceed \$300.

Over the eight year life of the program, PCU provided 1,904 rebates saving 199 gallons per day per customer. Participation in this program met 60% of the program goal providing 378,896 gallons per day of potable water savings. Due to the significant down turn in the economy and the resultant decline in Utilities’ revenues, the County is unable to continue to fund the AWS Rebate Program. Although the program was discontinued, the effort was very successful, and we continue to realize potable water savings from the AWS installations.

7b. Soil Moisture Based On-Demand Controllers

PCU has partnered with the Southwest Florida Water Management District and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), Agricultural and Biological Engineering Department to evaluate the potential of soil moisture based on-demand irrigation controllers. The primary objective of this three year research effort was to determine if an automatic irrigation system in the residential environment, when receiving feedback from an SMS system, could reduce irrigation water application while maintaining acceptable turf grass quality. Fifty-nine homes utilizing potable water with an automatic in-ground irrigation system voluntarily participated in the study. Data collection on all of the homes commenced in July 2006 and ended in December 2008, with treatments commencing in November 2007 for a total of 26 months. Homes were categorized into four unique experimental treatments within the study area. Historical water use was analyzed to distribute high and low irrigation use homes evenly across the treatment areas. The treatment classifications were as follows:

- SMS - soil moisture sensor system, coupled with the time-clock irrigation controller.
- RS - a mini click rain sensor coupled with the time clock irrigation controller.
- MO - comparison group and without any special control technology other than the existing time clock irrigation controller.

- EDU - current irrigation system with an added mini-click rain sensor as well as educational materials with time clock run times for a given time of the year based on IFAS recommendations.

The SMS treatment yielded the greatest savings at 65% less water applied than the MO treatment.

The County is currently evaluating the utilization of SMSs within its water and reclaimed water service areas.

8. Cistern/Rain Water Harvesting Rebate

PCU does not currently offer a cistern/rain harvesting rebate program. Cistern/rain harvesting technology has progressed somewhat in recent years, and potential applications may be evaluated by the County in the future.

9. Pinellas County Pilot ICI Water Conservation Project

The Pinellas-Anclote River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District cooperatively funded the Pinellas County ICI Water Conservation Program. After issuing four rebates over several years totaling \$26,598.00, Pinellas County cancelled the program due to lack of interest from the ICI community.

9.a. Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (ICI) Water Audit Program

The Commercial Industrial Water Audit Program provided water use audits to non-residential water customers in order to educate them on the value of water conservation. The audit included an analysis of their water use history, installation of flow meters to determine the quantity of water being used in target areas, and an inventory of types of fixtures currently in use in areas such as kitchen facilities, bathrooms, laundries, and cooling towers. The CIWUP recommends the following measures:

- Improved cooling tower efficiency
- Water efficient commercial ice machines
- Water efficient commercial spray nozzles
- Improved commercial dish washing machines
- Improved commercial laundry machines
- Use of low flow toilets and urinals
- Using monitors and meters on automatic swimming pool refilling devices
- Using monitors and meters for landscape irrigation evaluation

The County is not currently conducting water audits, but may evaluate this option in the future.

9.b. Pre-Rinse Spray Nozzle Replacement Project

Pinellas County's Pre-Rinse Spray Nozzle Replacement Project was completed in 2010. This program received cooperative funding from the Pinellas-Anclote River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The program provided for District reimbursement to the County of 50% of the cost of each low flow nozzle installed.

The project targeted the replacement of 583 traditional pre-rinse spray nozzles with low flow spray nozzles in the food service industry, which included restaurants, hotels, retail facilities, health care facilities, hospitals, and schools at no cost to the water customer. The low flow fixtures were offered to commercial customers who receive their water supply directly from the County or from the County's wholesale water customers, the cities of Clearwater, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor, and Tarpon Springs. The program also focused on educating commercial customers on other potential water saving measures that could be implemented at their facilities.

The water savings at each facility receiving a replacement low flow spray nozzle was determined by measuring water use immediately before and after installation of the spray nozzle. An analysis of these results for various types of facilities showed that an average of 193 gpd per nozzle was saved. Approximately 560 spray nozzles were replaced over the life of the program saving 108,080 gallons of potable water per day.

The County is not currently providing a Pre-Rinse Spray Nozzle Replacement Program, but may evaluate this option in the future.

9.c. Water Conservation Hotel and Motel Program (CHAMP)

This joint education program between Pinellas County and the Southwest Florida Water Management District began in 2002. Hotels and motels were invited to participate in a 'linens and towels reuse program' where the facility launders linens every third day of a guest's stay, unless otherwise requested. Printed materials for guest rooms and educational materials for employees were supplied by the District. Educational workshops on water conservation in the hospitality industry were also provided. Selected hotels and motels received a water audit from Pinellas County Utilities.

The County is not currently participating in the CHAMP program, but SWFWMD has continued this education program.

10. Florida Friendly Landscaping

Florida Friendly Landscaping sites have been created with organization affiliation/partnerships in various public places such as along the Pinellas Trail.

11. Water Conservation Education

PCU's ongoing education efforts in the area of water conservation have been essential in lowering the per capita water usage among our customer base. The value gained through sharing a common theme of water conservation with other organizations helps to ensure the maintenance of the established water savings. PCU participates and supports various organization

affiliation/partnerships through events that focus on public outreach/education on the importance of water resources and water conservation.

- Florida Friendly Landscaping™ – organization affiliation/partnership
- Speaker's Bureau
- Expos, Fairs, and Festivals
- AWWA Drinking Water Week – Proclamation by the Board of County Commissioners
- Water Conservation Month – Proclamation by the Board of County Commissioners
- Educational materials
- Press Releases
- Enterprise Village & Finance Park
- Internet – available to all Internet users – average of 60,000 visitors per year
- Facility Tours – available upon request
- Conservation Bill Stuffers (UtiliTalk)
- Healthy Lawn Educational Outreach Initiative – available to all Internet users
- Pinellas County will continue to pursue water conservation educational opportunities, and encourage customers to install water efficient fixtures, and install alternate irrigation sources.
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube)
- Email Distribution (Constant Contact)

12. Water Conserving Rate Structures

PCU currently charges a conservation fee of \$1.00 per thousand gallons that is applied to those accounts that exceed their average usage calculated using the consumption of each billing period excluding any period from the calculation when the consumption is more than 20% above their average. When the consumption exceeds the 120% threshold average, the conservation fee is added to the bill.

13. Water Restriction Enforcement

PCU has a proactive water restriction enforcement program with one full-time water conservation compliance officer and administrative management provided by one enforcement supervisor. Patrol coverage is performed seven days a week during different shifts by working a flexible schedule to provide varied coverage throughout the week as needed. The District declared a Phase I Water Shortage effective May 8, 2017 through June 5, 2017. The District declared a Modified Phase III Water Shortage effective June 5, 2017 through August 1, 2017. The District returned restrictions to Year-Round Conservation Measures in August 2017. The enforcement team averaged 230 staff hours a month on enforcement activities and issued 920 violations and 57 citations from October 2016 through September 2017.

14. Multi-family Residential Metering

PCU is responsible for supplying potable water to the customer up to and including the water meter. PCU has multi-family customers that have chosen to sub-meter the individual units on their property. The apartment/condo management company who pays for the purchase of water from PCU is responsible for the sub-metering and any associated costs. The HOA may

charge each of their units a billing charge, but may only charge water use based on the actual cost of water purchased from PCU. From a conservation perspective, utility sub-metering and billing provides an effective measure to quantify and monitor individual unit water usage. Research shows that many property owners have not pursued a sub-metering investment for the following reasons:

- Capital costs of the metering equipment
- Concern regarding the payback period
- Concern about resident response
- Administrative time and effort required for monthly utility billing

It is at the sole discretion of each property to determine if it would be beneficial and cost effective to implement sub-metering.



City of St. Petersburg

Water Conservation Initiatives 2017

The City of St. Petersburg has recognized the importance of water resource protection since the early 1900's when the City's growing water demands exceeded its local water supply. As the community continued to grow, the City required a reliable water supply and accordingly was forced to look inland, locating new drinking water sources outside of City limits. The City's Comprehensive Plan includes policies that require the Water Resources Department to develop and implement water conservation initiatives. Since 1989, these initiatives have helped reduce the City's average annual water demand from a high of 41 mgd to 29 mgd in 2016 (a thirty percent reduction). With a notable low per capita average water use of 79 gpd in 2016, the challenge for the City's water conservation program is maintaining this low rate in light of redevelopment initiatives and changing demographics.

The objectives of the Water Resources Department's water conservation program are to:

- reduce potable water consumption by providing cost effective incentives to all water use sectors,
- present unified conservation messages to all water use sectors, and
- educate residents and businesses on methods to conserve all water resources.

Water conservation initiatives designed to meet these objectives are categorized into the five main groups listed and described below.

I. Operational Programs. These programs provide the means for water customers to implement water conservation measures.

Toilet Replacement Program. This Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) cooperatively-funded program offers qualified customers a rebate for the replacement of high flush toilets with ultra-low flush (ULF) toilets that use 1.6 gallons per flush (gpf), or with high efficiency toilets (HETs) that use 1.28 gpf or less. Since 1997, over 34,000 toilets have been replaced at almost 27,943 locations. Starting in 2014, a new SWFWMD requirement for rebating only EPA WaterSense labeled fixtures installed in single and multi-family locations was instituted; as a result, to date over 2,100 HETs have been installed at over 1,400 locations. Webpages, ads and other outreach measures identify and promote the change and the increased benefits of using WaterSense labeled fixtures.

The Water Resources Department administers this Program "in-house" to maintain a high customer service standard and meet programmatic goals. The Department has implemented improvements that expedite customer response and participant reimbursement, delivers accurate record-keeping, and expands the use of electronic capabilities. An example is the *ToiletRebateOffice@stpete.org* email address developed to serve customers who prefer to utilize electronic technology. Fillable forms that interact with the toilet rebate database are used by Program representatives to expedite correspondence. Other Program enhancements include detailed Program guidelines for distribution and downloading from the "Current

Conservation Programs” webpage. As a result of these and other initiatives, customer service, rebate processing, and resource efficiency are enhanced.

Leak Detection & Flapper Education. Program efforts since 2005 have included educating customers about proper maintenance practices to assure that low flush toilets remain water efficient. To ensure that long-term conservation goals are met, the City provides educational materials on leak detection and proper replacement flapper selection and installation to Toilet Program participants. In addition, this information is downloadable from the water conservation web pages, and used in a tabletop display that facilitates distribution of the brochure and leak detection tablets to the public. To date, approximately 31,200 brochures and leak detection tablet packets have been distributed.

Sensible Sprinkling Program. This Program is designed to reduce current and future demand by educating customers about the efficient use of water sources outdoors as approximately thirty to fifty percent of household water consumption is attributed to outdoor water use, mostly irrigation. This SWFWMD cooperatively-funded education and outreach program provides an avenue for water customers to become knowledgeable about their sprinkler system’s efficiency. Participants are provided a no-cost sprinkler system evaluation and installation of a rain sensor; a detailed efficiency report that corresponds with a drawing of their sprinkler system’s layout; and educational materials. A qualified irrigation contractor was contracted by the City to complete the evaluations, rain sensor installations and efficiency reports.

To date, almost 2,400 single family, multi-family, and commercial sites have received sprinkler system evaluations and site-specific modification suggestions to improve the efficiency of the system. Additionally, almost 2,000 rain sensors have been installed at no charge to the customer. Notable is that through all phases, this Program has effectively installed rain sensors at eighty-five percent of the audited locations. Due to the success of a similar effort for the Toilet Program, in 2015 a dedicated email account (SensibleSprinkling@stpete.org) was created to serve customers who prefer to communicate using electronic technology. In addition, program applications and guidelines can be downloaded from the webpages and from *eSplash*.

Indoor Plumbing Retrofit Kits. Since 1992, the City has distributed over 149,250 indoor water conservation kits containing low volume showerheads, faucet aerators, toilet leak detection tablets and water conservation literature. When practicable, EPA WaterSense labeled products are distributed. This Program is on-going and available to walk-in customers, water audit customers and event participants throughout the year.

Rain Sensor Give-away Program. Since 1996, the City has encouraged outdoor water conservation by providing over 5,100 rain sensor devices to qualified water customers. This Program is on-going and available to walk-in customers and event attendees. In an effort to overcome a known customer barrier to implementing this

modification, a tabletop display is used to demonstrate the method and ease of wiring a sensor to a controller.

Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (ICI) Water Use Efficiency Program. The City offers non-residential customers educational materials and water-conserving devices and fixtures (rain sensors, aerators, toilet leak detection tablets, and showerheads). In addition, participation in other operational programs is encouraged, and indoor and outdoor water audits have been offered to these customers. Numerous non-residential and multi-family site managers receive multiple packs of toilet leak detection tablets each year to support their pro-active efficiency efforts.

Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Replacement Program. This program provides, at no cost to food service industry customers, a more water-efficient pre-rinse spray valve that is utilized to remove food from dishware. Customers include restaurants, schools, retail food establishments, hospitals, care facilities and businesses with cafeterias. Conventional pre-rinse spray valves use from 2.6 to 4.0 gallons of water per minute and are responsible for up to fifty percent of total dishwashing water use in this industry. Water efficient pre-rinse spray valves use approximately 1.6 gallons per minute or less, and generally rinse dishware better and faster than conventional spray valves. Educational information on other ICI water conservation practices complements this conservation program. To date, approximately 330 spray valves have been distributed to 224 facilities.

New 2018 Programs. With cooperative funding from the SWFWMD, St. Petersburg in 2018 is planning to implement two new water conservation incentive programs. These pilot programs are designed to attract new participants and create new, cost-effective initiatives that can be duplicated in other years and utilities.

Florida Water StarSM Pilot Program. This initiative was created by the St. Johns River Water Management District in 2007 and adopted by the SWFWMD several years ago. After working with an independent, qualified certifier to meet specific water efficiency standards, single family home builders (after final inspection) would qualify for a \$700 irrigation offset rebate. The rebate offered by this pilot project is designed to assist with the additional costs associated with building and certifying homes that meet high water efficiency standards. It is expected that each of these certified homes will save up to 48,000 gallons of water each year.

Clothes Washer Rebate Pilot Program. This pilot project will make available rebates up to \$125 to single family water customers replacing a high flow clothes washer with an Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Energy Star certified high efficiency (HE) clothes washer. The project is expected to conserve an estimated 547,000 gallons of water per year if fully implemented.

II. Regulatory Programs. These programs are designed to encourage water conservation through consumer awareness and education, as well as enforcement of watering restrictions and other ordinances.

Watering Restriction Compliance Program. Begun in 1994, trained and certified City staff travel throughout the City observing and recording watering restriction violations. These violations are classified as Class II municipal ordinance violations through the Pinellas County Court System. Unless prohibited by a SWFWMD Water Shortage Order, St. Petersburg issues warnings for the first violation; subsequent violations are subject to a fine schedule with a current base fine of \$193. Additional fines and fees may be assessed by the court, up to a maximum of \$500.

Water Conservation Landscape Ordinance. Section 16.40.060 of City Code relates to landscape and water efficient irrigation systems on properties. This ordinance and its amendments require landscape and irrigation plans for new development. Water conservation practices prescribed in the ordinance include selection of appropriate plant materials, water efficient techniques in landscape and irrigation systems, and appropriate landscape maintenance. In 2015, certain provisions were updated to support the use of micro-irrigation and other Florida-friendly landscape, efficient irrigation systems, and low impact development (LID) principles.

Reclaimed Water Emergency Restrictions Declaration. Section 27-170 of City Code provides the Mayor and City Council the authority to declare mandatory restrictions on reclaimed water use during critical situations. During such shortage declarations, reclaimed water use is restricted to three times a week during specified hours, for 90 days. The City Council may extend, modify or terminate any reclaimed water restrictions established by executive order. Violators are subject to the same penalties as violators of other source water restrictions, as mentioned above. Prior to critical situations, when measurements reach specific designated thresholds, messaging to reclaimed water customers is increased, including direct mailings, press releases, social media, and notifications to neighborhood and civic associations.

III. Economic Incentives. These approaches are designed to promote water conservation by revealing the true cost of purchasing, treating and distributing high quality water to customers.

Water Conserving Rate Structure and Outreach. In 1985, the City became one of the first public water utilities in Florida to establish a water-conserving rate structure, as required by the City's Comprehensive Plan. This rate structure triggers the cost of water to become increasingly more expensive during months of increased demand. As an additional conservation incentive, sanitary sewer rates are based on water usage with no outdoor water use cutoff. In 2009, St. Petersburg added a fifth tier to its water-conserving block rate structure. This tier applies to single-family residential customers using over 20,000 gallons of water per month

and is intended to send a price signal to customers who use potable water for more than the typical domestic uses. The total volume charge is 100% higher than the fourth tier rate. Rate increases, which have occurred over the past few years, can trigger household practices that lead to reductions in potable water use.

Projects. To assist high water users with reducing consumption, the *High Water User Outreach Project* continues as a customer outreach initiative. This project analyzes consumption histories for single family residential customers who exceed the 20,000 gallon-per-month threshold, then offers water efficiency audits and one-on-one education to this small group of customers. Tracking of consumption history and participant feedback are used to measure the success of this Project.

The City recognizes that aging meters become less reliable and under-record water usage. In the *Meter Inspection and Replacement Program*, approximately 10,000 meters are inspected, serviced and/or replaced yearly to more accurately record usage and minimize water loss from illegal hookups, leaks and improper operation. Accurate measurement minimizes unaccounted for water loss and increases customer conservation awareness through financial motivation. More than 3 million dollars is spent on leak detection, and meter repair and replacement each year.

IV. Alternative Water Sources. The use of alternative water sources for outdoor use and other purposes reduces potable water demand and helps protect the environment and conserve regional water resources.

Reclaimed Water. St. Petersburg is a national leader in the development and use of reclaimed water. More than 11,000 customers use this alternative water source for irrigating lawns and landscapes. Some non-residential customers also use reclaimed water for industrial purposes such as in cooling systems. To maximize the use of reclaimed water and possibly expand the reclaimed water system, a goal of the water conservation program is to encourage and educate consumers regarding responsible and efficient use of this water resource. For example, participation in the *Sensible Sprinkling Program* (which includes the installation of a rain sensor at no charge to participants) has been offered to reclaimed water customers since 2001. Methods employed to enhance system efficiency during dry weather include the construction of additional above ground storage tanks, aquifer storage and recovery, and reducing distribution system pressure at peak evaporation times during the day. The Reclaimed Water Liaison encourages service connections in supply "challenge" areas where reclaimed water service could be made available at minimal public and private cost. The Liaison and Water Conservation Coordinator collaborate to provide water use efficiency education to current and future users.

Conservation measures along with educational and incentive programs promoting irrigation efficiency have yielded reductions in both potable and reclaimed water use. Reclaimed water consumption has declined from a high of 26.7 mgd in 1993 to 21.6 mgd in 2017. Recent education and promotional efforts have resulted in an additional 60 customers and 2.5 mgd in demand in 2017. The addition of new reclaimed customers denotes an avoidance of potable water use for irrigation.

- **Reclaimed Water System Storage and Automation** – The Water Reclamation Facilities have storage tanks to assist with meeting diurnal demands and can also capture and retreat water as needed. SCADA control and monitoring capabilities are utilized to maximize storage and pumping efficiency to meet customer demand.
- **Reclaimed Water Aquifer Storage and Recovery System (ASR)** - The ASR well at the Southwest Water Reclamation Facility (SWWRF) now has a FDEP operating permit. This project provides a seasonal storage component for reclaimed water to complement the short-term component provided by storage tanks. This allows the City to store water during the rainy season and recover it during the spring dry season when reclaimed water demands are at their highest. Additional ASR wells may be constructed in the future.
- **REclaimed Water Aquifer Recovery on Demand (REWARD) Project** - The REWARD well at the Albert Whitted WRF site recovers surplus reclaimed water that was previously stored underground using deep injection wells. This well provides a short-term peaking supply for the reclaimed water system during the dry season, when demand for reclaimed water is at its greatest. It operates under a SWFWMD Water Use Permit which allows the well to be used at a rate of up to 1.2 million gallons per day with a cumulative limit of 25.3 million gallons annually. There are plans to convert this to an ASR well which would provide the ability to store and recover more water for the reclaimed water system in the spring dry season.

Private Well Registration Program. A voluntary private well registration program was started in 2001. The resulting database assists with identifying favorable locations for future private well installations. This program has collected information on approximately 7,600 wells to date.

V. Education. St. Petersburg recognizes that the core of an effective water conservation program includes ongoing education and outreach efforts. Utilizing community based social marketing concepts in these efforts appears to facilitate early and continued implementation (known as “behavior change”) of water conservation practices. To reach all audiences, water conservation messaging is delivered via a broad spectrum of opportunities. These efforts include support of other local educational initiatives such as those conducted by the Tampa Bay Estuary Program (TBEP), the Florida-friendly Landscaping™ Program (FFL), the Weedon Island Preserve and the Boyd Hill Nature Preserve’s Environmental Education Center. Initiatives continue to evolve with new ideas, partnership opportunities, and technologies designed to attract new audiences, including those that do not normally participate in environmental protection programs.

Florida Style Landscaping Workshop Series. This public education project was conceived by the Pinellas County Extension’s Florida-friendly Landscape Program specialists and the water conservation office in 2009 and is held at least once a year at the Water Resources Department’s “green” administration

building. The *Series* comprises six nights of presentations and hands-on activities conducted by subject-area specialists from the Pinellas Extension, Native Plant Society, Florida Irrigation Society, Boyd Hill Nature Preserve and the City's stormwater pollution prevention program. The venue's Florida-friendly demonstration garden is used for tours, displays and hands-on activities. One *Workshop Series* was conducted in early 2017, educating 195 attendees. The next *Series* is scheduled to start in January 2018, with a revamped schedule that adds a seventh night but reduces class time from 2-1/2 hours to 2. It will also include an extra tour of the demonstration landscape; more free rain barrels; and additional hands-on displays.

“City Services and Incentives” Presentations. The Greenhouse, a collaboration between the St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce and the City, provides entrepreneurs and business owners (and their staff) with the education, resources and assistance necessary for their business to thrive in the local economy. Staff members provide business counseling and training, including the *City Services and Incentives Presentations*. This seminar is provided every other month by key City departments, including zoning, construction services, and water resources. Since February 2016, the water conservation office has conducted presentations to non-residential customers and their employees and contractors about available conservation programs, water efficiency audits and practices, and grease management. Educational water conservation and restrictions enforcement brochures are provided.

Marketing and Promotion. A variety of methods is used to promote water conservation news and the education and incentive programs, including social media; press releases; messaging in utility bill inserts; St. Pete TV bulletin boards; and informational flyers.

Electronic Newsletter. In 2012, an e-newsletter entitled “Water Wise eSplash” debuted to subscribers interested in receiving water restrictions and conservation reminders, brochures, program applications, tips and news by email. By providing regular and timely updates, this initiative was a vital resource for subscribers during the spring of 2017 when once-a-week watering restrictions were declared. Interest in the electronic newsletter has grown substantially to over 2,700 subscribers which include officers of local civic, business, environmental and other associations that pass along information to their neighbors, contractors, customers and partners. Neighborhood and civic associations utilize eSplash articles in community newsletters. In 2017, two eSplash articles were duplicated in the local magazine *St. Pete Life*. Also in 2017 a new monthly article debuted - *eSplash Flash* provides a brief summary of environmental apps and webpages such as UF's *Fruitscapes* and *Help! I found a...*, TBEP's *Be Floridian*, and FWS's *Save the Monarch*. The eSplash initiative has proven to be a top promotional method for programs, workshops and events by providing links to webpages and documents. The average “open rate” for *eSplash* remains higher than the industry average, at 32%.

Water Conservation Webpages. The dedicated water conservation page (www.stpete.org/WaterConservation) contains links to all subject-area webpages and associated information, including hyperlinks and downloadable files for program application forms and guidelines. A link to subscribe to the *eSplash* electronic newsletter is also provided. Google Analytics tracking in FY17 identified 20,273 visits and 18,413 unique views of the main Water Conservation webpage (up by an unprecedented 8,800 and 8,270 from FY16, respectively). The independent Watering Restrictions webpage received three times the numbers from FY16 (13,792 visits and 12,742 unique views). The average visitor viewing time was just under four minutes on many of the water conservation pages, which is a notable measurement. In addition, the *Watering Restrictions Fact Sheet*, *Sensible Sprinkling Application*, and *Drought Tolerant Groundcovers* brochures were three of the top twenty downloaded files from all City water-themed webpages. The translation of web pages into Spanish and other languages is available to help educate and inform non-English speaking customers about water conservation programs and practices.

Social Media. Trial testing of social media outlets conducted to reach a different audience have resulted in additional program participation and visits to water conservation webpages. These outlets will be utilized in 2018 to improve participation, enhance customer communication, and save costs on newspaper ads and printing costs. *YouTube* links to shorter video segments of specific topics have proven to be a successful. Links to these videos are provided in editions of *Water Wise eSplash* and on the water conservation webpages. The video *Sensible Sprinkling* provides step by step demonstration of basic irrigation system repairs. The video *Turfgrass Alternatives* discusses the methods used to solve landscape problems through the use of alternative drought-tolerant ground covers. Another video shows the steps necessary to check for toilet leaks and replace the flapper. Shortened videos created to educate and entertain children are also available, and popular.

St. Pete TV. During the period from October 2016 to September 2017, water conservation-related videos were broadcast 48 times. These videos include re-broadcast of SWFWMD Governing Board meetings and relevant videos produced by organizations such as the Tampa Bay Estuary Program.

Customer Service. The City employs representatives in many departments whose customer service responsibilities overlap either occasionally or on a regular basis. Water conservation program information is provided to these employees in an effort to enhance public services and help foster productive communication between customer service personnel. Many employees have subscribed to *Water Wise eSplash*. Brochures and fact sheets are distributed regularly to community centers and customer service counter locations for display and distribution. Additionally, the water conservation office provides conservation-related updates to key personnel in other departments such as Utility Billing and Collections. Department employees, the City's ambassadors to the public, are provided informational business cards with key contact information for distribution to the public. Partnerships with business and civic

groups such as the Chamber of Commerce, St. Petersburg's Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA), and individual businesses and neighborhoods assist with disseminating water conservation and watering restrictions information as well as attaining customer feedback for program enhancement.

Educational Materials. The Water Resources Department continues to develop and disseminate a variety of educational outreach materials to support water conservation, water quality and efficient reclaimed water use efforts. Continuing efforts include providing information and displays at City Hall, the Boyd Hill Nature Preserve Environmental Education Center, and other venues; participation at events and public forums concerning water issues; presentations at community events and to neighborhood, civic, and other associations; the development and production of educational brochures and informational fact sheets; and the creation of demonstration gardens.

Water efficiency brochures remain popular items and are distributed in lobby displays, at local events, and upon request. The regionally-developed leak detection and flapper education brochure "*Solving the Mystery of the leaky flapper*" is distributed at area outreach events and lobby displays, in an effort to reach customers who have not participated in the Toilet Replacement Program. Leak detection dye tablets are also provided at the utility payment counters and with a display during outreach events. The detailed "*Guide to Micro-Irrigation*" and "*Rain Barrels: A Homeowner's Guide*" are distributed to homeowners, contractors, participants in educational programs, and upon request.

The "*Do It Yourself Sprinkler System Checkup Guide*" remains popular; this publication facilitates consumer understanding of their individual irrigation systems and practices that improve sprinkler system efficiency. It includes step-by-step visual inspection and calibration instructions, and a water-proof checklist for handy on-site use. Formatted as a file folder, the *Guide* can hold the owner's irrigation documents and other outdoor watering publications, and be easily stored for future use. Waterproof, laminated inserts provide images and step-by-step instructions for implementing common irrigation system modifications and repairs. Designed to support educational programs conducted by Extension Service and other water conservation educators, it has been utilized for the following types of workshops: micro-irrigation, Florida-friendly landscaping™, stormwater runoff prevention, Florida Style Landscaping, and irrigation efficiency. The *Guide* and its inserts have been reproduced by four other entities to date.

In 2014, the water conservation coordinator produced the brochure "*Drought Tolerant Ground Covers for Your Landscape*". This publication is designed to introduce consumers to native and non-native, drought tolerant ground cover plants that can be utilized instead of turfgrass in a landscape. Color photographs and brief descriptions of ten plants, information on native plants, plant installation steps and a contact list of plant nurseries in southern Pinellas County complete this brochure. The brochure is distributed at outreach and educational events. A downloadable pdf of the brochure is a popular item on the water conservation webpages and in the *eSplash* electronic newsletter.

Water Conservation Recognition. The City of St. Petersburg, with Tampa Bay Water, other member governments and the Florida-friendly Landscaping™ program co-sponsor the *Community Water Wise Awards*. This program recognizes outdoor water conservation efforts by awarding the highest scoring properties in residential, multi-family, commercial, governmental, builder and school categories. The Water Resources Department supplies applications to residents through various methods, including area community centers, landscape contractors, and other venues. It also promotes the program on the website, during presentations, and in the *eSplash* newsletter. A tabletop display provides further promotion during events and at specific venues. Descriptions and photographs of winning landscapes are posted on the Tampa Bay Water Wise website (managed by Tampa Bay Water). In 2017, the City's scheduled judging had to be postponed due to Hurricane Irma; as a result of storm damage, the yards of the applicants were not judged.

Youth Education. Educating future decision-makers is an enduring part of the City's water conservation program. Development of a conservation ethic in youth also has the benefit of educating parents, families and teachers about water conservation practices. Activity and coloring books plus promotional items such as sponges, cell phone stands and cups, are provided at local outreach events, in displays, and upon request to educators, parents and youth. School-based programs, educational activities and displays, literature, incentive programs, and other resources are also available to all schools and youth agencies in the City. The water conservation office supports Water Resources Department and other City employees that participate annually in the Great American Teach-In by providing activities and presentations for elementary through high school students; topics include water conservation, water quality and public works job opportunities.

The interactive display "*Water Conservation Dollhouse*" was introduced in 2014 as a tool to stimulate conversation between children and adults about household water use. A home water use audit checklist and indoor water conservation tips fact sheet accompanies this exhibit. The display remains very popular during events, including the Green Thumb Festival and the St. Petersburg Science Festival. In addition, the concept and design have been replicated (and improved upon) by other utilities in the Tampa Bay region.

Green City Initiatives. St. Petersburg's long record of water conservation initiatives played a vital role in helping it become the first city to attain Silver certification as a Green Local Government in 2007. The Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC), an independent non-profit organization established in 2000 to promote green building in Florida, designates Green Cities and Green Counties for outstanding environmental stewardship. With the goal of setting the "green standard" for Florida municipalities by advancing to platinum level certification, several City departments have incorporated sustainable products and practices into everyday operations. In 2015 the water conservation coordinator became the Water Resources Department's appointee to the City's "Green Team", a group of departmental representatives tasked with initiating and tracking sustainability efforts within their departments.

The Water Resources Department's LEED gold-certified Administration Building continues to be a vital part of St. Petersburg's Green City Initiatives. Educational and informative signs, workshops on various topics, indoor and FFL demonstration landscape tours, brochures and plant identification signs in the demo landscape educate visiting individuals, groups, and employees about LEED principles, stormwater runoff prevention and Florida-friendly gardening practices. This demonstration landscape concept, including educational signs, has been adopted by the St. Petersburg Parks Department and used at City Hall.

Recognizing the opportunity to promote water conservation programs and practices to the public through City employees and other departments, the water conservation office has been involved in various City projects. Activities include serving as a technical advisor for water-related purchases and new building and renovation designs; meeting with water efficiency companies and consultants offering services and products to the City; conducting training for employees; reviewing drafts of ordinance revisions, publications and other water and environment-related documents; attending events and workshops; and sharing displays with other departments. Examples include the testing and incorporation of WaterSense labeled plumbing devices in all new and renovated city facilities, and the collaboration on the successful 2016 *Rainwater Guardian Workshops*.

The water conservation office continues to monitor consumption histories and, when necessary, water efficiency audits at City facilities. An audit report for a facility provides consumption history and water efficiency suggestions to the facility's owning department. Common concerns identified during the audits include tampering with faucets and aerators; water theft; mismatching of fixtures; prioritizing fixture replacements; and minor and major leaks. Where practicable, departments implement the efficiency suggestions and execute proactive measures such as employing alternative water sources for irrigation and operational processes, and switching to water-efficient tools and devices. The Parks and Recreation Department self-monitors potable water consumption at its facilities. The conversion at Water Resource Department wastewater facilities and pump stations from potable to reclaimed water for operational processes and cleaning has greatly reduced consumption. Plans for 2018 call for continuing these partnerships and initiatives, including the use of alternative water supplies for operational processes.

As a result of City Council visioning and Executive Order #2016-07 by Mayor Kriseman, the City embarked on an effort to incorporate sustainability practices and goals into everyday business, as well as future planning and projects. The Water Resources Department's and water conservation program's initiatives played a vital role in documenting sustainability efforts utilizing the STAR (Sustainability Tools for Assessing and Rating Communities) rating system. The STAR system helped the City establish a baseline of current sustainability initiatives and policies in order to formulate a plan to improve upon these concepts. The City obtained a 3-Star Award from these efforts. Strategies in 2018 include working with the Sustainability Manager as a key technical resource to develop and implement plans to increase the City's sustainability efforts and obtain the highest level – the 5-STAR Award.



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Background and Introduction

To provide a dependable alternative to a scattered system of poor quality wells, the City of Tampa constructed a dedicated water treatment facility adjacent to the Hillsborough River in 1924. The facility, which is a designated American Water Landmark, is known as the David L. Tippin Water Treatment Facility. On average, the Water Treatment Facility produces around 90 percent of the 75 million gallons of water per day that is consumed by Tampa Water Department customers.



The Tampa Water Works Filter House was built on the western bank of the Hillsborough River on the outskirts of the City of Tampa. The site was selected in 1922 as a source that could provide an adequate volume of water to meet Tampa's growing population. The Filter House, which forms a central component of Tampa's current water treatment facility, is a one-story, hollow-tile and stucco Mediterranean Revival style building around a central rotunda. Rectangular galleries extend to the north and south of the rotunda, each housing four of eight original filters. Additional filters and galleries were added in 1948, 1962, and 1973 and are accessible from the interior of the filter house.

In 2000, the plant was restored to its original Mediterranean Revival style, and, while the architecture of Tampa's original water treatment plant has been preserved, the treatment process continues to change and improve as technology advances. The production site houses Florida's only municipally-owned, state-certified, complete drinking water laboratory. Throughout the treatment process, continuous and complete water analyses ensure that Tampa's water quality exceeds all State and Federal standards. The Tampa Water Department is the only Florida-located water utility and one of 13 water providers in the United States recognized in 2013 with a 15 Year Directors Award for delivering superior quality drinking water to customers.

In 1989, in response to rapid population growth, record drought conditions and projected future water supply deficits, the Tampa Water Department (TWD) implemented a formal Water Conservation Program. Since its inception, the program has grown to a multi-faceted effort that includes operational, policy, and programmatic measures.

Tampa's Water Conservation activities are part of a long-range water conservation program that incorporates the goals of responsible stewardship of Tampa's water supply, limited reliance on the regional water resources to augment Tampa's water needs during dry periods, and the use of appropriate business practices to safeguard the fiscal well-being of the Tampa Water Department while retaining already achieved water use efficiencies and contributing to:

- Future economic development and growth while protecting local and regional water resources,

- Reduction or deferral of costs associated with of maintaining and expanding water delivery, treatment, and disposal systems, and
- Reduction of energy and maintenance costs of TWD facilities.

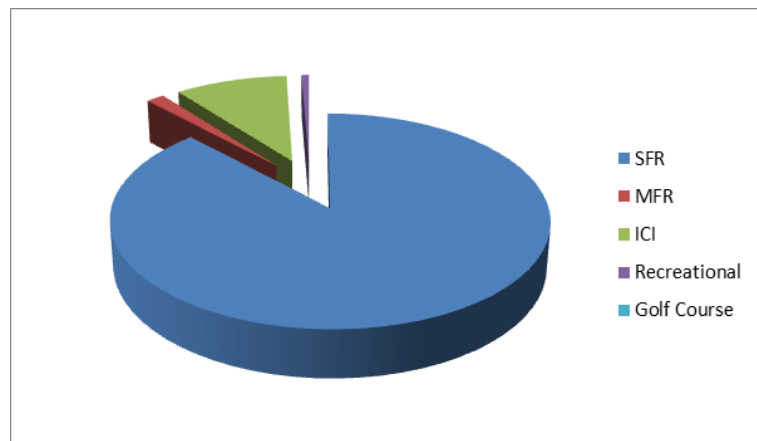
Potable Water Use

The TWD water supply system provides water to industry, wholesale accounts and residential customers within Tampa’s water service area, which extends into Hillsborough County in some areas. Tampa records and analyzes consumption data and shares the data to Tampa Bay Water and to the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

Retail Customer Classifications

Customer classifications differ in their characteristics relevant to water use. Single family (SFR) and multi-family (MFR) accounts reflect strictly residential water use. The average monthly demand for Tampa’s single family residential accounts is 5,984 gallons (8 ccf). Most newer single family homes typically have auto-irrigated

landscaped yards. Residences in deed-restricted or similar planned communities also have any of a variety of observed irrigation configurations ranging from “individually-metered, self-controlled” to “individually-metered, association-controlled” to “association-metered and association-controlled.” Deed restricted and similar planned communities within the Tampa service area also include irrigated landscape common areas similar to the common-area landscaping found at multiple-family residential units and upscale businesses in our community, with water sourcing ranging from metered potable and reclaimed water to pond and lake water to District permitted wells. Non-residential accounts include government/public water use in parks, prisons, government buildings, and medians; offices, businesses, shops, restaurants and hotels, and industrial use in production and manufacturing processes.



Source: SWFWMD 2016 Public Supply Annual Report – Part B

System-Wide Historical Use

Since 1989, the total population served by the TWD increased virtually every year until 2010, when the number declined. Following that decline, Tampa's population has experienced slight annual fluctuations; annual pumpage values have remained relatively consistent over the past five-year period. Revisions to methods of calculation, as required by our permitting agency, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, also resulted in a change in the adjusted per capita values. A history of average pumpage per capita and adjusted use per capita is shown in Table 1.

Consumptive water use frequently is expressed in gallons per capita per day (GPCD) or the average gallons used per person per day. Per capita values shown in Table 1 are calculated for Tampa's functional population, which includes residential and business customers, commuters, tourists, and other non-residents who use water while temporarily in Tampa for business or pleasure.

Table 1 History of Average Pumpage Per Capita and Adjusted Use Per Capita

Fiscal Year	Average Pumpage (MGD)	Population of Service Area	Gross Use Per Capita (GPCD)	Gallons Exported Water (GPD)	Compliance Use Per Capita (GPCD)
1989 ₁	75.12	463,402	181	N/A ₂	N/A ₂
1990	70.32	468,458	150	N/A ₂	122
1991	67.48	475,000	118	644,000	N/A ₂
1992	70.77	423,878	122	664,602	103
1993	67.48	426,425	157	594,734	119
1994	67.39	429,518	152	701,206	116
1995	65.59	431,520	151	813,806	118
1996	68.47	434,067	146	1,977,000	123
1997	76.26	449,206	152	1,661,410	129
1998	80.27	493,232 ₃	139	8,657,951	116
1999	70.91	495,872 ₃	146	2,148,063 ₄	121
2000 ₁	61.29	536,437	132	1,301,915	114
2001 ₁	Not available	Not available	139	Not available	111
2002	73.96	540,757	134	4,714,085	107
2003	76.07	590,828	117	3,839,391	96
2004	84.58	605,073	128	6,382,478	104
2005	80.05	655,993	113	4,949,581	92
2006 ₁	84.04	647,131	122	2,804,071	103
2007 ₁	79.02	653,837	120	2,832,962	100
2008 ₁	81.24	657,313	117	1,772,020	99
2009 ₁	65.05	648,577	101	3,420,136	101 ₅
2010	75.48	559,752	116	3,164,138	N/A ₆
2011	75.49	587,684	113	2,338,712	N/A ₆
2012	75.26	587,782	112	2,324,294	N/A ₆
2013	68.84	590,523	106	2,301,266	106 ₆
2014	71.61	603,107	112	2,279,368	109 ₆
2015	73.85	598,955	109	2,358,411	109 ₆
2016	74.21	611,181	112	2,492,674	109 ₆

1 Low rainfall years

2 Exported Water data and Significant Users data not captured nor did TWD compliance per capital prior to 1993

3 Estimated calculation of the population, which includes commuter workforce

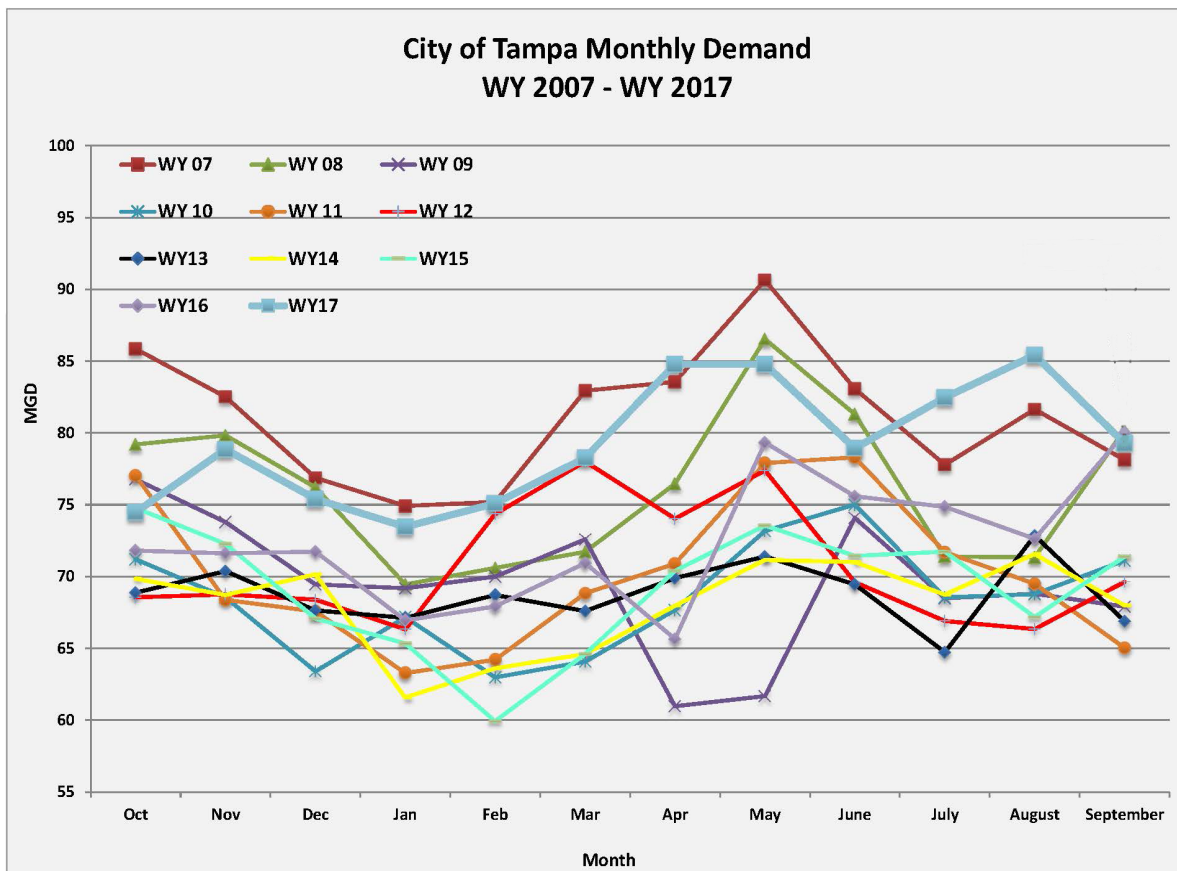
4 Includes North Tampa interconnect, which started at the end of FY98

5 Fluctuations in Compliance Per Capita may be attributed to periodic revisions to method of calculation for included variables;

6 Method of calculation significantly revised for 2010 and subsequent reporting years.

City of Tampa Monthly Demand – Five-Year Perspective

Within the past eight years, as reflected in Figure 1 below, Tampa’s month-by-month water demand and its cumulative annual water demand continues seasonal fluctuations but, overall, remains below 2007 levels. The reduced demands are attributed, in part, to the City’s active, comprehensive approach to water conservation and efficiency.



Water Conservation Goals and Objectives

The overall goal of Tampa’s water conservation efforts is to ensure a sustainable water supply to meet community demands during normal or emergency conditions. This section provides a brief description of water conservation activities and measures employed by the Tampa Water Department

Policy Measures

Conservation Rate Structure

The City of Tampa continues the use of an inclining tier rate structure, which is in place for all customer categories. In 2007, Tampa’s City Council approved a five-year plan for annual increases, and, in accordance with that plan, implemented increases for all customer classes annually across a five-year span. Tampa’s single family residential rate structure, which went into use in FY 2011, remained in use through FY 2017.

Single Family	Residential Rates	Inside City of Tampa	Outside City of Tampa
Tier 0	0 – 5 ccf	\$2.09	\$2.61
Tier 1	6 – 13 ccf	\$2.43	\$3.03
Tier 2	14 – 26 ccf	\$4.07	\$5.08
Tier 3	27 – 46 ccf	\$5.44	\$6.80
Tier 4	> 46 ccf	\$6.28	\$7.85

Note: ccf is the billing unit used by the City of Tampa. A ccf is equal to 748 gallons.

Tier rates for non-residential customers are equivalent to Tiers 1 - 4 on the SFR rate card, and the usage in each tier is customer-class specific and based on threshold amounts established for specific types of use. For instance, the threshold rate for a hotel/motel account is established based on the number of guest rooms the facility has. For a non-residential customer who usage does not exceed the assigned threshold for that location, each unit of water metered is billed at Tier 1 rates; consumption that exceeds the threshold but does not exceed twice the threshold level is billed at Tier 2 rates; consumption that exceeds twice the threshold but does not exceed 3.5 times the threshold level is billed at Tier 3 rates and consumption that exceeds 3.5 times the threshold level is billed at Tier 4 rates.

Landscape/Irrigation Ordinance

Chapter 27 of the City of Tampa's Code of Ordinances requires the use of Florida-Friendly landscape principles for the design of new landscape and includes these measures:

- An incremental reduction to the amount of irrigable turf allowed caps the turfgrass component after 2011 at no more than 25 percent of the total irrigated area for new landscape installation.



- Landscaped areas shall consist of at least sixty (60) percent native plant material and/or plant material adapted to local climatic and edaphic conditions.
- A layer of mulch to a minimum depth of three (3) inches shall be specified on the site plan in plant beds and around individual trees in turf areas.
- Sprays and rotors are required to have matching application rates within each irrigation zone, and mixed zones are not permitted.
- All irrigation systems are required to be designed to avoid over spray, runoff, low head drainage, or other similar conditions where water flows onto or over adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, walkways, roadways, structures, or water features. And, emitters and sprinkler heads are encouraged to be located at least two (2) feet from buildings and water should not hit the building while operating. Narrow areas [four (4) feet wide or less] are not to be irrigated unless low-volume irrigation is utilized.
- Newly installed irrigation control equipment is required to include an automatic irrigation controller having program flexibility, such as repeat cycles and multiple program capabilities, a battery back-up or non-volatile memory to retain the irrigation program(s), and an operable rain sensor or other device, such as a soil moisture sensor, to prevent unnecessary irrigation.

Restriction Enforcement with Reduced Irrigation Hours

The City of Tampa stringently enforces all local and regional water use restrictions. In May 2006, the TWD moved to a citation on first observance policy in lieu of the issuance of warnings in an effort to increase restriction compliance and to reinforce the message to Tampa water users that conservation is a year-round activity. Additionally, within its local water restriction ordinance, Tampa reduces the permitted hours allowed by the Southwest Florida Water Management District (before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.) by four hours per day on scheduled irrigation days. Tampa does not permit irrigation between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.



Rain Sensor Ordinance

The City of Tampa's water use restriction ordinance includes language that requires the use of an automatic rain sensor or other rain sensing technology for all automatic irrigation systems.

Reclaimed Water Mandatory Hook-Up

All automatic irrigation systems installed with new service installations in Tampa's reclaimed water service area are designed to connect to reclaimed water.

Operational Measures

Source and Finished Water and Service Connection Metering

All raw water flows and finished water flows are metered. All existing service connections are metered, and the City requires meters for all new connections. TWD meters all treated water delivered to its wholesale customers. These meters are calibrated annually. The TWD monitors meter activity through its Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system.

Fixed-Interval Meter Reading

Meters for all Tampa water accounts are read monthly. Locations where the recorded meter reading is outside a “normal” range is scheduled for a re-read to verify or correct the read, as appropriate. A self-help kit is available for locations with verified high reads to assist them in determining and addressing the possible causes of high usage.

Meter Testing, Calibrating, Repairing and Replacing

The TWD Preventative Maintenance team is responsible for performing all functions in respect to the operation and maintenance of Tampa’s water meters. Tampa’s practice is to replace residential meters after they have been in service for 10 years to ensure metering accuracy. To comply with that practice, approximately one-tenth of the residential meters in Tampa’s system are replaced annually.

All 2-inch and larger meters in the system are field tested annually, and those that are not metering to within a range of 98 percent to 101 percent accuracy are recalibrated or, if necessary, refurbished.

System Audit

To ensure minimal real and apparent system loss, the TWD compiles and reviews water production and metered sales data monthly to identify and respond to factors contributing to water loss.

Distribution System Pressure Control

Tampa maintains 35 continuously-monitored pressure stations around the system connected to SCADA to maintain distribution system pressure. There also are several pump stations and elevated tanks in place to assist in meeting peak demands. Each monitored stations is equipped with minimum- and maximum-alarmed limits for pressure to ensure that the system is maintained within the parameters established by the Health Department.

Recycled Water for Filter Backwashing at Treatment Plants

The TWD uses dual media filters at its water treatment plant that require routine backwashing. Air scouring is used to help dislodge material collected in the filter media, and backwash is then used to removed dislodged material to a thickener tank for reclamation. After settling in the thickener, the backwash water is recycled to the beginning of the treatment train for reprocessing. Solids collected in the thickener are removed for dewatering and disposal. Water captured during the dewatering process also returns to the beginning of the treatment train for reuse.

Customer Leak Notification

The TWD completes re-reads for locations where usage exceeds prior history normal ranges for a location. Additionally, the TWD continues to explore the use of automated meter reading technology. It is anticipated that such a conversion would include the ability to establish earlier account leak notification and high-use notification programs.

Water Conservation Coordinator

TWD maintains a staff of three full-time water conservation coordinator positions to plan, implement and evaluate its water conservation activities. The water conservation team is a part of the department's Distribution and Consumer Services Division, which includes customer service and billing functions. The Conservation Section's close alignment with the Department's distribution division activities ensure the conservation team's involvement is customer-focused.

Reuse Expansion

The Tampa Water Department continues to explore opportunities to increase the availability of reclaimed water for irrigation, commercial application and potable reuse. In partnership with the Southwest Florida Water Management District, the City is engaged in a study, the Tampa Augmentation Project (TAP), to determine the feasibility of using natural treatment systems to further purify the City's reclaimed water for use as a new, safe, and sustainable local source of drinking water for both the City as well as other utility customers across the Tampa Bay region.

Aquifer Storage and Recovery

With every-increasing water demands and seasonal variations in surface supply, it is challenging at times to provide solely from the river source for Tampa's water demands. Tampa currently has eight Aquifer Storage and Recovery wells that can store up to 1 billion gallons of water when excess surface water supply is available. The Tampa ASR system is operated seasonally, storing water during rainy periods and recovering when supplies are short.

Educational and Program Measures

Informational Billing and Water Bill Inserts

Each utility bill issued by the City of Tampa provides the customer with usage for the billing period. The usage is expressed in units and in gallons, rounded and expressed in 1,000 gallon increments, to assist the customer in comparing their most recent consumption with the information provided in the 13-month usage history included on the face of the bill. City of Tampa utility bills are mailed monthly to each account at the mailing address provided by the customer. Additionally, account holders may view and download 12-months of billing data online.

In addition to the information routinely printed on Tampa's utility bills, the following information is featured on the water department's Web site:

- Rate structures for each billing class,
- An explanation of any water-related surcharges, including information about how the application of such surcharges is triggered,
- Conversion information to assist customers in doing their own calculations to convert metered units to gallons, and
- Three years of average use for all user classes to assist customers in comparing their water usage to other similar users in Tampa.

Tampa's billing process accommodates billing inserts, which are used to advise customers of available water conservation programs and water use restrictions. The TWD also offers account holders the opportunity to subscribe to an electronic newsletter that delivers direct-to-their-email water conservation tips and information about available water conservation programs and water use restrictions.

Throughout FY2017, a dedicated team of subject matter experts have been working with Tampa's technology team to ready for a billing software conversion that is expected to occur in late spring 2018. The updated software will provide account holders with a dashboard for improved account and water demand management and offer enhanced messaging capabilities.

Retrofit Kit Distribution

Tampa water account holders may request free Plumbing Retrofit Kits and Save Water Kits from the TWD. The Plumbing Retrofit Kit contains the following items: low flow showerhead, bathroom aerators, kitchen aerator, teflon tape, toilet leak detection dye tablets, installation instructions, the most recent Water Quality Report, and information brochures. The Save Water Kits include toilet leak detection dye tablets, the most most recent Water Quality Report, and informational materials on checking for leaks and conserving water.



An average of 350 - 400 kits are distributed annually to residential customers with an estimated 2,000 - 2,500 kit content items being distributed in bulk to multi-family and business locations.

Rain Sensor Distribution

The TWD provides rain sensors to customers on request at no charge to replace a non-working sensor or to complete an initial installation. In FY2017 the TWD recruited 20 residential accounts with high volumes of irrigation demand to participate in a year-long field test of soil moisture sensing equipment to assist with evaluation of our future rain-sensing device distribution.

Commercial Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Retrofit

The TWD offers free high-efficiency pre-rinse spray valves to Tampa-located restaurants and other locations with on-site commercial kitchens.

Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Water-Use Efficiency Evaluation

Since approximately 40 percent of Tampa's account based is non-residential, the TWD annually maintains an Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (ICI) Water-Use Efficiency Evaluation Program that offers both on-site assistance and a comprehensive self-guided evaluation template to help non-residential locations identify water efficiency measures for incorporation into their site-specific water conservation plans. The on-site portion of this program is structured in such a way that the customer is an active participant throughout the entire process to ensure that the customer gains not only the evaluation and an efficiency plan but also gains the ability to self-conduct on-going evaluations to ensure that efficiencies are maintained. This program also includes a series of industry-specific template documents to help ICI account holders identify industry-specific efficiency options.

Water Use Surveys

To assist its customer base, the TWD offers a “customer care” program that provides referred customers with an on-site water use survey to assist with identification of leaks and/or other conditions that may contribute to increased water use and increased water and/or wastewater costs. As appropriate, customers are provided with water conservation information, water-saving devices and referred for additional in-house or external services through providers such as the Hillsborough County Extension Service. Through in-house referral, an average of one such evaluation a week is provided to account holders experiencing high levels of irrigation demand. This service category also includes 100 “key” commercial accounts identified as high-value, high-use ICI customers who require an additional level of service for both customer satisfaction and efficiency water

Public Information/Education

The TWD purchases and publishes a variety of brochures and other literature promoting water conservation and water use efficiency. Brochures provide information on water conservation issues, such as efficient irrigation, irrigation with reclaimed water, leak detection and repair, and indoor water conservation. In FY2017, the department also participated in 50 events at community locations in our service area and completed two community “walk-arounds,” which included door knocks to distribute water conservation information and water-saving devices. The TWD also maintains a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week water conservation hotline that provides customers with current information regarding water use restrictions. In addition to the available brochures, the TWD maintains a Web site presence that features more than 100 pages of water conservation and water efficiency information and access to partner-sponsored water conservation programs and materials and uses social marketing tools, such as Facebook and Twitter to reach the widest possible audience within its service area. The Web-located information is designed to provide customers with on-demand access to every brochure published by the Department in addition to water-conservation programs and tips.

Details about TWD’s water conservation and efficiency public information components are provided below:

- Pipeline (e-newsletter)
- WaterSense
- Rates, Fees and Billing Information
- Save Water Save Cash
- 7-Day Water Challenge
- Community Water Wise Awards
- Water Use Calculator
- Water Use Restriction Information
- Brochures (conservation tips, rebate programs, rates, and more)
- Plumbing Retrofit Kits

- Do It Yourself Sprinkler Checkup Guide
- Do it Yourself Rain Sensor Checkup Guide
- Irrigation Worksheet
- Put A Lid on Leaks
- Online Irrigation Calculator
- Seasonal Irrigation Scheduling Chart
- Soil Moisture Sensors
- Irrigation for New Lawns and Landscapes

Plumbing and Landscape Irrigation Workshops

The TWD cooperates with a variety of partners to sponsor rain barrel, Florida-Friendly landscaping and other water-conservation workshops around the community.

To assist in addressing concerns associated with residential account customer-side leaks, the TWD partnered with Erwin Technical Education Center in Tampa to provide tuition-subsidized plumbing and general home maintenance workshops for 24 residential and commercial account holders in FY2017.

Wholesale Water Supplier Assistance

Tampa cooperates and coordinates with its wholesale customers in developing their Water Use Efficiency Plans and will continue to participate in and support those efforts.

Conclusion

Tampa remains fully committed to maintaining a comprehensive water conservation program to ensure a safe, reliable water supply for our customer base. This commitment is realized through operational, policy and programmatic activities, and is fully integrated throughout the Water Department's business activities.

Since formalizing its water conservation program in 1989, total system demand and gpcd has declined and is relatively stable. The City remains committed to water conservation and the Tampa Water Department will build on its past conservation successes and continue to update and revise its programs in order to remain at the forefront in the implementation of water conservation programs.

Fiscal Year 2017

Executive Summary Report

October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017
Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program



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Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) educators in Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco Counties would like to thank their respective Boards of County Commissioners and City Councils for their continued support of our mission to teach Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ practices to Tri-County residents. These practices conserve water and reduce pollution from stormwater runoff to protect our natural environment and are part of a sustainable lifestyle.

We would also like to acknowledge the long-term financial support by the Board of Directors of Tampa Bay Water. Tampa Bay Water continues to provide annual funding for the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program in Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco Counties. In addition to providing funding, Tampa Bay Water also provides continuing education opportunities as well as promoting FFL principles in their public messaging.

Program Goals

“Preserving and protecting Florida’s water resources is the focus of the University of Florida Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) Program, which promotes the nine principles with public outreach and education statewide.” The nine principles of the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program are:

- Right Plant, Right Place
- Water Efficiently
- Fertilize Appropriately
- Mulch
- Attract Wildlife
- Manage Yard Pests Responsibly
- Recycle
- Reduce Stormwater Runoff
- Protect the Waterfront

Two significant goals of the FFL Program are to promote healthy landscapes that conserve water and reduce non-point source pollution. This is accomplished through the use of teaching material developed by the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Extension specifically on these two topics and implemented locally by Extension offices throughout the state. The goal of the programs within the Tampa Bay watershed were developed to reduce non-point source pollution into the estuarine system as defined in the Tampa Bay Estuary program.

Program Structure

Organizationally, the FFL Program is part of the Urban Horticulture or Natural Resources Program areas within the Extension offices. Tampa Bay Water works with the FFL program in the Tri-County region to evaluate the existing scope of services to match current landscaping trends and concerns in the region. The Tri-County region consists of Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco County FFL program areas.

- **Hillsborough County:** Lynn Barber, Urban Horticulture, FFL Program Leader and Agent, provides educational programming on water and environmental conservation according to the nine FFL principles, and reports to County Extension Director, Stephen Gran. Program Coordinators report to FFL Program Agent and include: Paula Staples, Public Education, providing education to new development and high water consumers, Sheila Monahan, Microirrigation, providing education to water conservation enthusiasts, and Lisa Meredith, School and Community Gardening, Compost and Vermicompost, providing gardening and composting information to the community.
- **Pasco County:** Program Coordinators are under the guidance of the Horticulture Extension Agent and County Extension Director, Dr. Whitney Elmore. Jim Moll, Horticulture/Homeowner Education FFL Program Manager, educates homeowners, HOA's, CDD's etc. on horticultural practices, water conservation and water quality utilizing the nine FFL Principles, coordinates and contributes to media coverage, and conducts educational presentations promoting FFL principles. Chris Dewey, Builder/Developer FFL Program Coordinator (retired April 2017), and Frank Galdo, FFL Public Education Program Coordinator (starting FY18), teach Pasco builders and developers about FFL concepts and irrigation technologies through site visits and working with Pasco Utilities to identify/target high water users for site visit interventions to promote irrigation techniques and water saving strategies.
- **Pinellas County:** FFL program is under the Natural Resources section of the Extension department. Jane Morse, Commercial Horticulture Agent, serves as Natural Resources program leader and provides guidance and consistency to FFL programming. Brian Niemann, FFL Program Coordinator, provides educational programming on water and environmental conservation according to the nine FFL principles and Doris Heitzmann, FFL Public Education Program Coordinator, teaches Homeowners/Community Associations, Property Managers and Boards of Directors about FFL principles as they relate to water conservation.
- Master Gardeners and Horticulture Agents, Urban and Commercial, assist the FFL program throughout the year and Tri-County region. Master Gardeners assist by; registering workshop attendees, providing answers to questions, distributing; compost bins, microirrigation kits and rainwater harvesting devices post-workshops, managing exhibits/displays containing FFL information and providing other types of community outreach. Urban and Commercial Agents create and present at various FFL meetings, seminars and other functions as needed.
- Extension Agents from other program areas contribute as workshop presenters when there is a logical opportunity to work together.

Advisory Committee Members and Their Roles

Tampa Bay Water requires the use of advisory committees to help guide and provide focus on various implementation strategies consistent with the overall intent of the program. The advisory committee is composed of representatives from each Tampa Bay Water member government, other local government departments that focus on stormwater, environmental sustainability, water quality, homeowner association board members, property managers, and/or small business representatives and citizen supporters. Tampa Bay Estuary Program was one of the original Florida-Friendly Landscaping™

Program creators and instrumental in aligning the main focus of the program (water efficiency leading to reduced runoff). The advisory committee offers an opportunity to build strong relationships with local government representatives, as well as industry and citizens from the community. These relationships result in more opportunities for further collaboration on programming and outreach.

Smart Objectives

The objectives of the University of Florida Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program are to: reduce stormwater runoff, decrease non-point source pollution (flowing into Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico) through workshops focusing on landscape best management practices and to conserve water. Water conservation programming is designed to increase water use efficiency of existing irrigators in each county with a specific focus on potable water use. FFL landscaping principles education seminars and workshops are used to; encourage increased use of drought tolerant plants, maintain or increase soil water holding capacity, and offer various UF/IFAS recommendations on how to increase water use efficiency, reduce polluted stormwater runoff and increase receiving water body water quality.

Strategies & Tactics

- Provide University of Florida science-based research as the basis of educational programming to county residents and entities
- Increase irrigation water use efficiency consistent with emphasis on source type
- Decrease non-point source runoff into surface waters
- Increase residents' knowledge of FFL principles regarding water and environmental conservation
- Expand programming that targets high water users to include builders, developers and others that impact water consumption

Impact of Results on Region

Table 1 is a compilation of efforts that occurred in Fiscal Year 2017 (October 2016 through September 30, 2017). Increased focus on water efficiency is reflected by estimated water saved during the year due to various programs offered. All program elements are consistently evaluated throughout the region and are compiled from individual county reports found in the chapters following the expanded summary. Individual reports provide more detail on default and estimated program water saving rates. The dollar value of educational services provided was calculated using the average rate charged by for fee service vendors performing the same or similar services.

Table 1. Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program FY17*				
	HILLSBOROUGH	PASCO	PINELLAS	TOTALS
ESTIMATED/MEASURED GALLONS CONSERVED/YEAR	25,792,986	18,831,146	19,619,396	64,243,528
# OF FFL PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS/COMMUNITY EVENTS	202	56	71	329
# OF FFL PRESENTATION/WORKSHOP/COMMUNITY EVENT ATTENDEES	8,502	1,725	1,930	12,157
% OF KNOWLEGDE INCREASE POST PRESENTATION/WORKSHOP	114%	57%	74%	91%
# OF FFL EXHIBITS/DISPLAY	12	12	4	28
# OF FFL EXHIBITS/DISPLAY ATTENDEES	13,761	65,642	358	79,761
# OF MULTI-MEDIA EVENTS	78	44	4	126
# OF MULTI-MEDIA EVENTS/REACH	2,096,023	21,378,650	13,500	23,488,173
# OF IRRIGATION EVALUATIONS	74	65	24	163
# OF SITE/LANDSCAPE VISITS/EVALUATIONS	110	5	0	115
# OF SITE HOA EVALUATIONS	2	8	31	41
# OF SITE HOA EVALUATION ATTENDEES	11	188	110	309
#OF YARD RECOGITIONS INCLUDING COMMUNITY WATER-WISE EVALUATIONS	34	5	11	50
# OF INDIVIDUAL CONTACTS - PHONE, EMAIL & OFFICE VISITORS	9,261	1,923	2,495	13,679
# OF PUBLICATIONS DISTRIBUTED	137,499	5,216	4,292	147,007
# OF WEBSITE HITS	133,307	46,473	28,595	208,375
# OF MASTER GARDENER HOURS AS IN-KIND SERVICES	1,069	2,352	351	3,772
\$ VALUE OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO COMMUNITY (CALCULATIONS BASED ON FOR FEE SERVICES)	\$579,804.95	\$178,520	\$115,917.70	\$874,242.65
*Staffing levels, coordinator focus areas, and Master Gardener involvement varies between counties.				

A series of significant workshops, events and evaluation metrics were undertaken or developed in 2017. They include:

1. Tri-County Workshops:

What a Lawn Needs, What a Lawn Wants! October 27, 2016, Tarpon Springs, presentations included: Give your turf some culture, The refined Lawn-selection and site preparation for turfgrasses, Irrigation-It's not just setting a time clock and Forgetting it and fertilizer: diseases and pests oh my! Forty-seven attendees from homeowner and condominium associations, community development board members and property managers participated. Average knowledge gain was 54%.

A Landscape Game Plan for Drought, April 25, 2017, Seffner, presentations included: Why groundcovers can do better than turf during drought, Practices that keep drought at bay, Pitfalls of irrigation and tips on how to make your irrigation system work, getting landscapes through drought with smart irrigation updates and designing for drought. Fifty-eight attendees from homeowner and condominium associations, community development board members, property managers and committee members participated. Average knowledge gain was 56%.

2. Providing written materials for Publication:
Tri-County FFL staff is involved in writing newspaper, HOA newsletter articles and blog posts. Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ publications are printed in the following: University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Comings and Goings, Osprey Observer, In the Field Magazine, The Bloomingdale Gazette, PennySaver, Dade City News, Lutz/Laker News, Suncoast News and Community Magazine, Central Oak Park Neighborhood Association Newsletter, Placido Bayou HOA Newsletter, Highland Lakes HOA Newsletter. Featured article in The Laker “We are on the lookout for Water-Wise Awards. More than 1,000,000 impressions.
3. Tri-County involvement with radio stations:
Brian Niemann and Lynn Barber presented the Community Water Wise Program information and answered questions related to FFL on WMNF radio, Tampa, resulting in an estimated 20,000 impressions (viewers, listeners, readership). Jim Moll presented three Garden Talk segments on WTIS 1110AM with an estimated 192,000 impressions. Lynn Barber presented and/or hosted 14 Garden Talk segments on WTIS. Topics included Girl Scout Troop #360 Pollinator Garden at UF/IFAS Extension Hillsborough County Extension, Seffner, FL, Did You Know Palm Talk, Agritourism Law Passes and Agritourism Building Code Rule Development, Community Gardens, History and Food Deserts, Mosquito Repellents, Wind Resistant Trees and others, 896,000 impressions. Total impressions 1,108,000.
4. Tri-County involvement with television stations:
FFL Agents and Program Coordinators provide science based research information from the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences across the Tampa Bay Region via television. This includes ABC’s “Morning Blend” with Natalie Taylor or Carley Boyette which aired two segments featuring Pasco County FFL Coordinator Jim Moll. The segments were “Mulching” and “Water Wise Awards.” The viewership was 20,000 for each segment for a total number of impressions at 40,000.
5. Hillsborough and Pasco Counties: Green Industries – Best Management Practices(GI-BMP):
This is a science-based educational program for Green Industry workers (lawn-care and landscape maintenance professionals). The GI-BMP program teaches environmentally safe landscaping practices that help conserve and protect Florida’s ground and surface waters, saves Florida homeowner’s money, time, and effort, increases the beauty of the home landscape, and protects the health of families, pets, and the environment. The focus of this training is to reduce non-point source pollution resulting from improper fertilization and pesticide application. This program recently won two state awards and one national award for Extension program content and implementation. Agents and Program Coordinator teach the Lawn and Landscape Cultural, Irrigation and Fertilization BMP sections. Teaching results reflected 31 attendees, 27 tested, 26 passed and 3 attended for CEUs only. Certified pass rate was 96%.
6. Hillsborough County: Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ 101:

This event was held on March 11, 2017 at the Hillsborough Community College, Dale Mabry, Tampa. The theme for this educational event was When in Doubt, Think Drought! Sixteen households (20 people) attended, 87% of which were City of Tampa Water Department customers. Presentations included Right Plant - Right Place, Drought Tolerant Plants, Groundcovers or Turfgrass and Mulch Mania and a diagnostic table provided residents with plant and pest identification and gardening advice. One-hundred percent rated overall satisfaction as excellent and very good. The average knowledge gain was 103%. Surveys contained key post-learning commitment options. The highest ranked post-learning commitment per presentation is as follows: Select the right plant for the right place considering site conditions, etc. (100%), Select low maintenance, drought tolerant plants (100%), Select high color, low maintenance and drought tolerant plants (96%), Consider alternatives to turfgrass where practical. (100%), Keep mulch one foot away from foundation of home (95%). All indicated they would contact UF/IFAS in future; all visited the vendors.

7. Pinellas County: Flagship Florida-Friendly classes

The flagship series of classes for the Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Program in Pinellas County is offered at the Extension office in Largo. The FFL educators offer one class per month with a variety of topics being presented. The goal is to establish lasting relationships with clientele and to build a strong following of repeat attendees. Topics offered included: Lawn and Landscape Care, Microirrigation, Rainwater Harvesting, Composting, Getting Ready for Rainy Season, Landscape Design Basics and Landscaping for Wildlife.

8. Pinellas County: Florida Style Landscaping:

A six-week series taught in partnership with the City of St. Petersburg each year. In 2017, there were 165 attendees over the course of the series. Presentations taught by the FFL educators included Introduction to FFL, Invasive Plants, Rain Barrels, Florida-Friendly Vegetable Gardening, Proper Plant Establishment and Installation, Florida-Friendly Landscape Maintenance, Basics of Microirrigation. Knowledge gain ranged from 60% on the vegetable gardening topic, up to 186% on the microirrigation. The series is being expanded to 7 weeks in 2018 based on audience and instructor feedback.

Recommended Areas of Focus for Next Year

The overall tri-county program focus will be on water conservation and irrigation efficiency in new and existing developments, working more closely with builders and developers before landscapes are designed and installed, identifying and contacting high water users to provide education on alternatives, increase the use of media outlets as programming tools, partner with like-minded organizations to provide educational programs consistent with UF/IFAS Extension Florida Friendly Landscaping™ Program. All programs will continue to participate in the Community Water-Wise Awards, one or two Tri-County workshops on Florida-Friendly Landscaping related topics and utilization of the “FLoWS” survey.

Tri-County: Community Water Wise Award Program will continue to be heavily marketed through media contacts. Homeowners who have received FFL Yard Recognition will be contacted regarding entering their landscapes in this contest sponsored by Tampa Bay Water. The Community Water Wise Award Program recognizes individuals, businesses and non-profits that have committed to conserving our water resources and protecting the environment by using Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ principles.

Winning landscapes balance attractive design with plants, landscape elements and water efficient irrigation techniques that have a positive impact on our environment. Awards are presented at the Board of County Commissioners' and City Council meetings.

Tri-County: Workshop and/or Webinar Series for Property Managers and Property Management Companies, as well as churches, schools, commercial entities, homeowner associations and individual homeowners, providing information about Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) principles, the services we offer, including performing irrigation evaluations, which can save money and conserve water for Hillsborough County properties. Since Property Management companies manage HOAs, CDDs, and COAs in counties other than where they are located, this will involve a multi-county collaboration. The first workshop, Legally Speaking, will be held in March 2018, sponsored by UF/IFAS. Agenda includes presentations on Florida-Friendly Landscaping™, FFL case studies from working with HOAs on the issues and outcomes of installing a FFL landscape, FFL and the law and ten strategies for working with homeowner associations.

Tri-County: The Public Education Outreach Program will focus on increasing workshops and communications with the builder and developer community and existing HOA/COA (Homeowner Associations/Community Associations) contacts using a multi-pronged approach to foster water conservation in the landscape. Strategies will include hands-on irrigation system operation and evaluation to increase homeowner/business knowledge of irrigation as a vital yet supplemental lawn and landscape resource, the introduction of smart irrigation technology and by providing information on basic irrigation system overhauls. Educating clients about retro-fitting portions of irrigation systems from high to low volume and proper plant selection for the site will also lead to reduced water use in the landscape once implemented.

Hillsborough County will offer Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ 101 to residents on May 19, 2018 at the Hillsborough Community College, Tampa. The focus for this conference is: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly, All Three Sides to Efficient Irrigation, Insects and Wildlife.

Hillsborough County: Smart Irrigation Technology: Educators will continue to focus on water conservation and irrigation efficiency in their programming by increasing the use of various types of irrigation efficiency technology, such as soil moisture sensors (SMSs) and evapotranspiration controllers. Hillsborough County Public Utilities and University of Florida IFAS (Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences) Extension Hillsborough County Public Education Program Coordinator have collaborated on grant funding with Southwest Florida Water Management District for the installation of SMSs in the southern region of Hillsborough County.

Hillsborough and Pasco Counties will focus on GI-BMP Certification and the reduction in sod establishment water use and homeowner associations/homeowners due to continued single family home construction occurring in these counties.

Pasco County: Partner, with Dr. Mary Lusk, Regional Specialized Agent, Water Resources, and Dr. Bill Lester, Hernando County Horticulture Agent, to educate residents living in the Aripeka/Weeki Wachee Springshed about issues related to water quality in those Springsheds relating to septic tanks and landscape maintenance practices (i.e. fertilization, irrigation etc.).

Pasco County: Horticulture/Homeowner FFL Program Manager will continue tracking Master Gardener (MG) class participants FY 15 -17 and follow the MG class of FY 18 post MG training for their water use habits via the “FLoWS” survey. Coordinator will assist the Horticulture Agent/CED in training the MG FY 18 class in the nine principles and practices of the FFL Program.

Pinellas County: In FY18 the educators will continue to focus on water conservation and irrigation efficiency in their programming efforts. Specific initiatives include programs to increase the adoption of various types of irrigation efficiency technology, partnering with local governments with existing water conservation and environmental education efforts in place. Partnerships with the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County Utilities, City of Dunedin, and the Highland Lakes subdivision will continue to play an important role in the program.

Pinellas County: The Program Coordinator will develop new programs in Landscape Design in partnership with the Urban Horticulture Agent, and the Community Outreach Coordinator.

Pinellas County: The Community Outreach Coordinator will focus on fostering community association contacts using a multi-pronged approach to promote water conservation in the landscape. Strategies will include the introduction of smart irrigation technology and providing information on basic irrigation system overhauls, educating clients about retro-fitting irrigation systems from high-volume to low-volume systems, and proper plant selection for the site that will lead to reduced water use in the landscape.