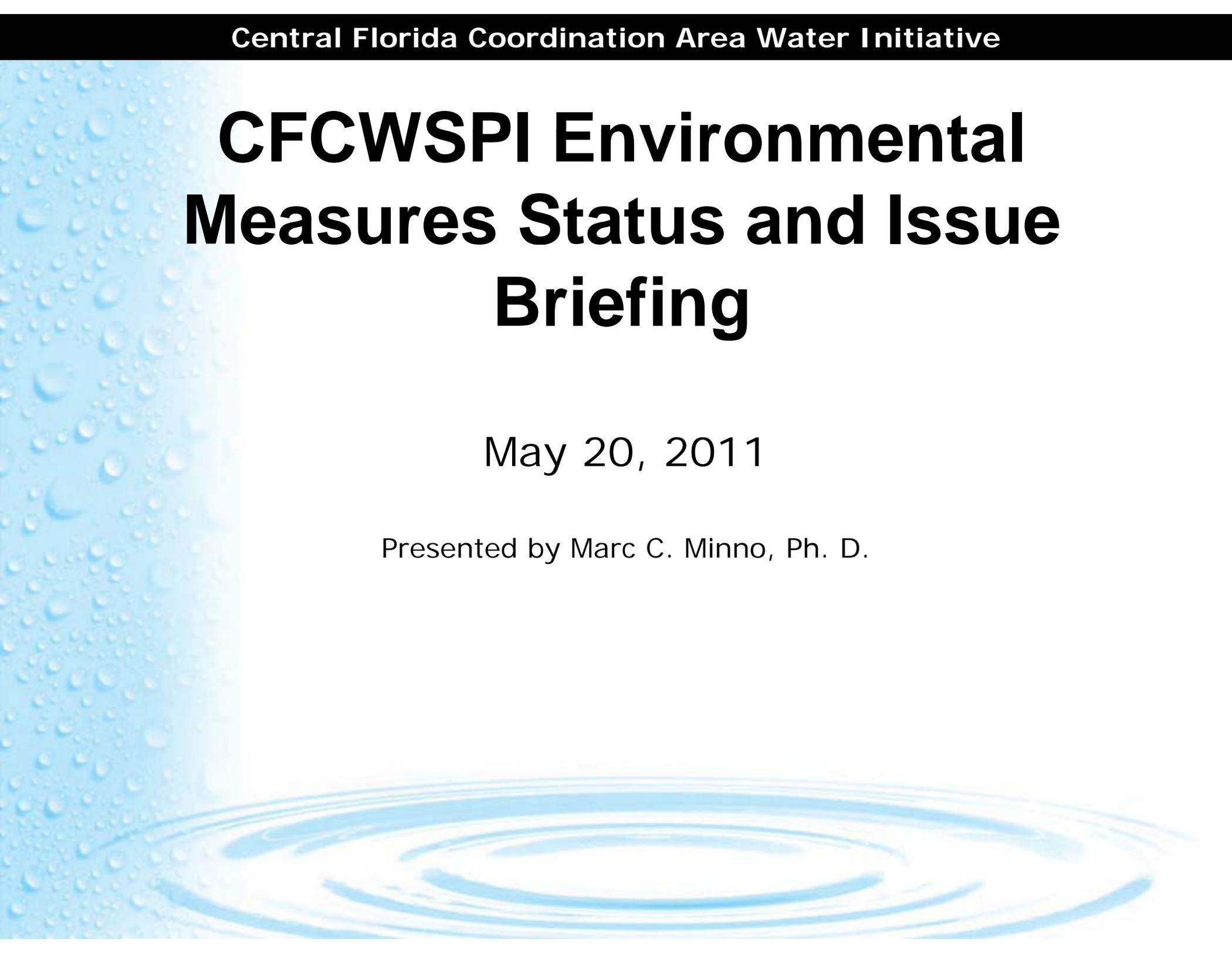


CFCWSPI Environmental Measures Status and Issue Briefing

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Environmental Measures Team Goals

The Environmental Measures Team will perform environmental assessments of wetlands and surface waters, and other related work in support of determining sustainable groundwater withdrawals in the CFCA.

The EM Team will also develop definitions and methodologies for use by all three Water Management Districts for implementing environmental review in water supply planning and consumptive use permitting.

Environmental Measures Team Approach

The EM Team will meet on a regular basis to:

- Complete its stated objectives and goals
- Collaborate with and provide expertise on environmental issues to other teams

Environmental Measures Team Objectives

The Environmental Measures Team will :

- Develop a definition of hydrologic harm to wetlands and surface waters, uniform to the three Districts in the CFCA
- Evaluate current and future impacts to wetlands and surface waters in the CFCA due to groundwater withdrawals, using appropriate scientific methods
- Develop a unified process for the environmental review of Consumptive Use Permits/Water Use Permits (CUPs/WUPs) in the CFCA

Environmental Measures Team Status

The Environmental Measures Team

- Met on April 13, April 20, May 18, 2011
- Is reviewing methods and data
- Next meeting (Dial-In) will be May 24th
- Plans to meet with the HA Team on June 1st

Issues for the Steering Committee

- How do we approach the “one process for permit reviews” goal?
- Shall we write a single Basis of Review that the 3 Districts would use in the CFCA?
- Do we include items in the BOR that only apply to one of the Districts?

Questions or Comments?

