



Alternative Water Supply Projects Within the CFWI Receive State Funding

The State, in coordination with water management districts, has provided nearly \$30 million in cost-share funding from the FY 2025-26 grant funding cycle for five alternative water supply projects within the Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) area.

These projects are anticipated to leverage more than \$870 million in cooperating entity matching funds. When these projects are fully online, they are anticipated to create more than 82 million gallons per day (mgd).

The projects include:

- Taylor Creek Reservoir St. Johns River Water Supply Project
- Polk Regional Water Cooperative Southeast Wellfield Implementation, West Polk Wellfield, and Interconnects
- Toho Water Authority Cypress Lake Wellfield
- City of Winter Haven Reclaim Transmission Loop
- Orange County Utilities Commercial Water Wise Neighbor Program

The St. Johns River Water Management District was also awarded \$750,000 for an Artesian Well Abandonment Program that has the potential to save an estimated 84 mgd and could have benefits in the CFWI area.