

## Governing Boards Approve CFWI 2025 Regional Water Supply Plan

*Plan will guide water supply and conservation efforts across central Florida for the next 20 years*

The governing boards of the St. Johns River, South Florida, and Southwest Florida water management districts have approved the 2025 Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP). The RWSP serves as a comprehensive roadmap for meeting Central Florida's future water needs while protecting the region's natural resources.

The CFWI is a collaborative effort among the three water management districts, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and a diverse group of stakeholders including water utilities, environmental organizations and agricultural producers. This partnership is essential to addressing the unique water challenges in the rapidly growing area.

Updated every five years, the RWSP includes water demand projections for a 20-year planning horizon and identifies strategies to ensure reliable water supplies while protecting natural systems. Without the projects outlined in the 2025 CFWI RWSP, central Florida could face a projected groundwater shortfall of 96 million gallons per day (mgd) by 2045.

Key highlights of the 2025 CFWI RWSP include:

- **4.7 million** residents by 2045, which is a 40% increase from 2020
- **902.5 mgd** in water demands by 2045, which is a 41% increase from 2020
- **45 mgd** in projected water conservation savings
- **140** water supply and resource development project options, which could provide **514 mgd**

Although groundwater sources are limited, the 2025 CFWI RWSP concludes that current and future demands can be met through 2045, while sustaining water resources and related natural systems. The [final plan](#) is posted on the CFWI website.