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TO: Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River
Task Force Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Water First North Florida Aquifer Recharge Project - Community Meeting

The Suwannee River Water Management District and St. Johns River Water Management District announced a new regional initiative, the Water First North Florida Aquifer Recharge Project, designed to return more than 40 million gallons of water per day to the Floridan aquifer system to maintain minimum flows and levels in the Lower Santa Fe River Basin and the Ichetucknee River Basin.

The Suwannee River Water Management District will be hosting a community meeting concerning the Water First North Florida Project on March 19, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, North Florida Research and Education Center located at 8202 County Road 417, Live Oak, Florida 32060.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.