

# *Florida's Springs Dilemma*

## **Suwannee River Water Management District**

Largest non-agricultural groundwater users  
(>500,000 gallons per day for 2019 – 2023)

Permittee	Reported Annual Groundwater Pumping (MGD)					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Foley Cellulose	34.359	30.049	36.119	39.032	28.511	33.614
Nutrien - White Springs	27.241	32.676	31.393	26.127	23.059	28.099
City of Lake City	3.387	3.385	3.317	3.512	3.863	3.493
City Of Perry	1.573	1.555	1.451	1.572	1.574	1.545
City of Alachua	1.249	1.303	1.296	1.376	1.519	1.349
Pilgrim's Pride	1.411	1.379	1.283	1.322	0.883	1.256
Gainesville Regional Utilities - Deerhaven	1.240	1.030	1.170	0.958	1.256	1.131
City Of Live Oak	0.918	0.877	1.052	1.094	1.159	1.020
Fl. Dept Of Corrections-Raiford	0.908	1.031	0.896	0.802	0.771	0.882
City of Madison	0.883	0.814	0.849	0.811	0.839	0.839
BlueTriton Madison	0.701	0.630	0.658	0.750	0.746	0.697
City of Newberry	0.665	0.677	0.653	0.675	0.680	0.670
City of Starke	0.666	0.637	0.640	0.651	0.672	0.653
Gainesville Renewable Energy Center	0.578	0.558	0.884	0.801	0.368	0.638
City of High Springs	0.615	0.619	0.594	0.611	0.640	0.616
Town Of Cross City	0.655	0.668	0.646	0.520	0.558	0.609
City of Jasper	0.729	0.639	0.528	0.503	0.574	0.595



*Note: The Buckeye/Foley pulp and paper mill closed operations in 2023*