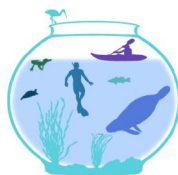


# Florida's Springs Dilemma

## Southwest Florida Water Management District

- All wells in the Floridan Aquifer
  - 4,298 permitted large wells (1,279 for 980 MGD) in 2025
  - Domestic and landscape irrigation wells 85,484
- Flow reduction in Nature Coast Basin
  - Springs -18% (-379 MGD) by 2010
  - 2015 USGS est. total pumping 773 MGD
  - 2020-2025 reported pumping large wells 593 MGD



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