MEMORANDUM

To: City/County commissioners and councilmen, City/County managers, water supply utilities and other stakeholders from Brevard, Osceola, Orange, Lake, Polk, Seminole, Volusia, Flagler, Sumter and Marion Counties

From: Robert M. Jones, Director
Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium

Re: Round #2 Subregional Meetings to Explore Water Supply Issues and Options

Project Update. In January and February of 2002, Orange County Chairman Richard T. Crotty initiated the East Central Florida Water Supply Planning Initiative by hosting two region-wide water supply meetings. Attendees supported the idea of local governments working together to plan to meet future water supply needs. As a result, SJRWMD, SFWMD, and SWFWMD are jointly sponsoring a process to bring together local governments and water supply utilities whose future groundwater withdrawals have the potential to impact one another and who also have the potential to partner on possible solutions. An initial round of subregional meetings in that process was held in May to identify and discuss priority water supply issues at the subregional level.

Next Steps. The next step in the process is to convene the second round of subregional meetings. These will further explore interest in strategies to address Water Reuse and Conservation, which were identified as high priority issues by participants at all of the first round subregional meetings. Depending on the time available and the interest of participants at each workshop, strategies to address Public Information and Awareness, Intergovernmental and Regional Cooperation, Enhanced Aquifer Recharge, and Creating New Water Supply may also be addressed if there is time.

Five Round 2 subregional meetings will be held, on July 10, July 11, and July 12, 2002. Attached is a schedule indicating who should participate in each meeting. Local governments and water supply utilities located within Orange, Lake, Brevard, Osceola and Seminole Counties may need to attend more than one meeting (as indicated on the schedule). You are welcome to participate in as many of the meetings as you would like.

Process Facilitation. To facilitate discussions in the process, the districts jointly retained the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium, a neutral statewide center created by the Legislature and based at Florida State University. Since early March, the Consortium has conducted an on-going assessment involving individual and group interviews with elected officials and other stakeholders. It has also developed a web site, http://consensus.fsu.edu/ECWS/index.html, that provides materials and meeting summaries related to this process.

Thank you for participating in this process. For more information, you can call me at (850) 644-6320 or Rafael Montalvo at our Orlando office at (407) 835-3443.

RMJ/cn Attachments
Meeting Schedule/Locations for July 10, July 11 and July 12

GROUP 1  East Orange area: Brevard County and portions of Osceola and Orange counties
DATE:    July 10, 2002  TIME:  9 a.m.– noon  PLACE:  OUC Gardenia Facility
3800 Gardenia Avenue
Orlando, FL  32839

INVITED PARTICIPANTS
All city/county commissioners and councilmen, staff and water supply utilities located within Brevard County; Osceola County Commissioners and staff; Orange County Commissioners and staff; Orange County Utilities; commissions, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Belle Isle and Edgewood; Florida Water Services; and Utilities Inc.

GROUP 2  West Orange area: Osceola and Polk counties and portions of Orange and Lake counties
DATE:    July 10, 2002  TIME:  1:30 – 4:30 p.m.  PLACE:    OUC Gardenia Facility
3800 Gardenia Avenue
Orlando, FL  32839

INVITED PARTICIPANTS
Osceola County Commissioners and staff; Kissimmee and St. Cloud city commissions, staff and utilities; Polk County Commissioners, staff and utilities; Haines City and Lake Alfred commissions and staff; Orange County Commissioners and staff; Orange County Utilities; commissions, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Apopka, Ocoee, Orlando, Winter Garden, Oakland and Windermere; Lake County Commissioners and staff; Lake County Water Authority Board and staff; commission, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Clermont, Groveland, Minneola, Mount Dora, Astartula, Howey-in-the-Hills, Lady Lake, Mascotte and Mountverde; Orlando Utilities Commission; Reedy Creek Energy Services; Zellwood Station Utilities Co-op; Park Manor Waterworks; Oak Springs MHP; Orange Lake MHP; Poinciana Utilities; Southlake Utilities; Clerbrook Golf & RV Resort; Florida Water Services; and Utilities Inc.

GROUP 3  North Orange/Seminole area: Portions of Orange and Seminole counties
DATE:    July 11, 2002  TIME:  9 a.m.– noon  PLACE:    Sanford City Hall
300 North Park Avenue
Sanford, FL  32771

INVITED PARTICIPANTS
Orange County Commissioners and staff; Orange County Utilities; commission, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Maitland, Winter Park and Eatonville; Seminole County Commissioners, staff and Utilities Department; commissions, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Altamonte Springs and Casselberry; University of Central Florida Utilities; Florida Water Services; Starlight Ranch MHP; Rock Springs MHP and Utilities Inc.

GROUP 4  North/East area: Volusia and Flagler counties and portions of Seminole and Brevard counties
DATE:    July 11, 2002  TIME:  1:30 – 4:30 p.m.  PLACE:    Sanford City Hall
300 North Park Avenue
Sanford, FL  32771

INVITED PARTICIPANTS
All city/county commissions and councilmen, staff and utilities located within Volusia County; Flagler County Commissioners and staff; Seminole County Commissioners, staff and Utilities Department; commissions, councils, staff and utilities from the cities of Lake Mary, Longwood, Oviedo, Sanford and Winter Springs; Brevard County Commissioners, staff and Utilities Department; Titusville City Councilmen, staff and Utility Department; Florida Water Services; Utilities Inc.; and Mullet Lake Water Association.

GROUP 5  Western area: Sumter and Marion counties and portions of Lake County
DATE:    July 12, 2002  TIME:  9 a.m.– noon  PLACE:    Silver Lake Country Club
9435 Silver Lake Drive
Leesburg, FL  34788

INVITED PARTICIPANTS
Sumter County Commissioners and staff; Marion County Commissioners and staff; Lake County Water Authority Board and staff; commissions, councils, staff and utility departments from the cities of Eustis, Fruitland Park, Leesburg, Tavares, and Umatilla; Villages of Lake Sumter; Pennbrooke Utilities; Mid-Florida Lakes Mobile Home Park; Hawthorne at Leesburg; Harbor Hills Utilities; Sunlake Estates; Astor Park Utilities; Wedgewood Homeowners Association; Water Oak Utilities; Florida Water Services; and Utilities Inc.
Driving Directions to Meeting Locations

Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC) Gardenia Facility
3800 Gardenia Avenue, Orlando, FL 32839
Coming from Tampa or Daytona Beach on I-4, take Exit 79 (old Exit 32) for John Young Parkway. From Tampa, go right onto John Young Parkway (south); from Daytona Beach, go left onto John Young Parkway (also south).

Heading south on John Young Parkway, get in right lane, go approximately four blocks to 39th Street (green OUC sign on roadway); turn right onto 39th Street. The OUC Gardenia Operations Building is at end of 39th Street.

Park in the customer parking area and check in with security guard at front desk.

Sanford City Hall
300 North Park Avenue, Sanford, FL 32771
From Orlando or Daytona: Take I-4 east (from Orlando) or west (from Daytona) to Exit 101C (old Exit 51). This exit is marked Sanford Mt. Dora SR 46 (Seminole Town Center Mall). Take SR 46 east approximately 4 miles to US 17-92. SR 46 changes to 1st Street on the west side of Sanford. Continue on 1st Street to the next traffic light at Park Avenue. Take a left on Park Avenue and go two blocks to Fulton Avenue. Turn left on Fulton Avenue and the entrance to the City Hall parking lot will be on your right. The meeting room is at the southwest corner of the building. Look for signs. The main phone number for City Hall is (407) 330-5600.

Silver Lake Country Club
9435 Silver Lake Drive, Leesburg, FL 34788
Silver Lake Country Club is located midway between Leesburg and Tavares off of US 441. The phone number for Silver Lake Country Club is (352) 787-4035.

From Leesburg: Follow US 441 east 1.6 miles to CR 44. Turn left on CR 44 and travel 1.5 miles to Silver Lake Road (CR 449). Turn right (east) on Silver Lake Road and travel 0.3 miles to Silver Lake Drive. Continue on Silver Lake Drive (going south) for 400 feet to 9435 Silver Lake Drive.

From Tavares: Follow SR 19 northeast for 0.3 miles to US 441. Turn left on US 441. Travel west for 4.9 miles to Tavares Ave. Turn right on Tavares Ave. and travel northeast for 0.2 miles to Silver Lake Road (CR 449). Turn left on Silver Lake Road (CR 449) and travel northwest for 0.3 miles. Make a U-turn on Silver Lake Drive and travel south for 400 feet to 9435 Silver Lake Drive.
EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA WATER SUPPLY PLANNING INITIATIVE
ROUND #2 SUBREGIONAL WORKSHOPS
Either 9:00- 12:00 or 1:30-4:30

Proposed Workshop Objectives

♦ Present results of Round 1 subregional meetings.
♦ Present information relevant to a fuller understanding of the highest priority issues identified in Round 1.
♦ Refine or identify potential strategies that would address highest priority issues.
♦ Preliminarily test interest in potential strategies.

Workshop Agenda

9:00/1:30 Welcome and introductions

9:15/1:45 Review of Round #1 results

9:30/2:00 Briefing/Background Presentations

♦ Implications for Consumptive Use Permits of limitations on future additional groundwater withdrawals.
♦ Water reuse – possibilities and limitations.

10:00/2:30 Break

10:15/2:45 Priority Issue Area Strategies Discussion

♦ Strategies to address the following priority issue areas based on Round #1 workshop input will be discussed and refined. The level of participant interest in the strategies will be explored.

♦ Water reuse
♦ Conservation

♦ Depending on available time and participant interest, strategies to address the following priority issue areas may also be addressed.

• Public education and awareness
• Intergovernmental and regional cooperation
• Enhanced aquifer recharge
• Creating new water supply

11:45/4:15 Next steps
♦ Subregional and Region-wide Sessions

12:00/4:30 Adjourn