# SEPTIC TO SEWER CONVERSION PROJECT DISTRICT A PHASE 2





# WEEKI WACHEE SPRINGS STATE REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS

#### **Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)**

Establishes the maximum amount of pollutants the spring can handle

#### **Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP)**

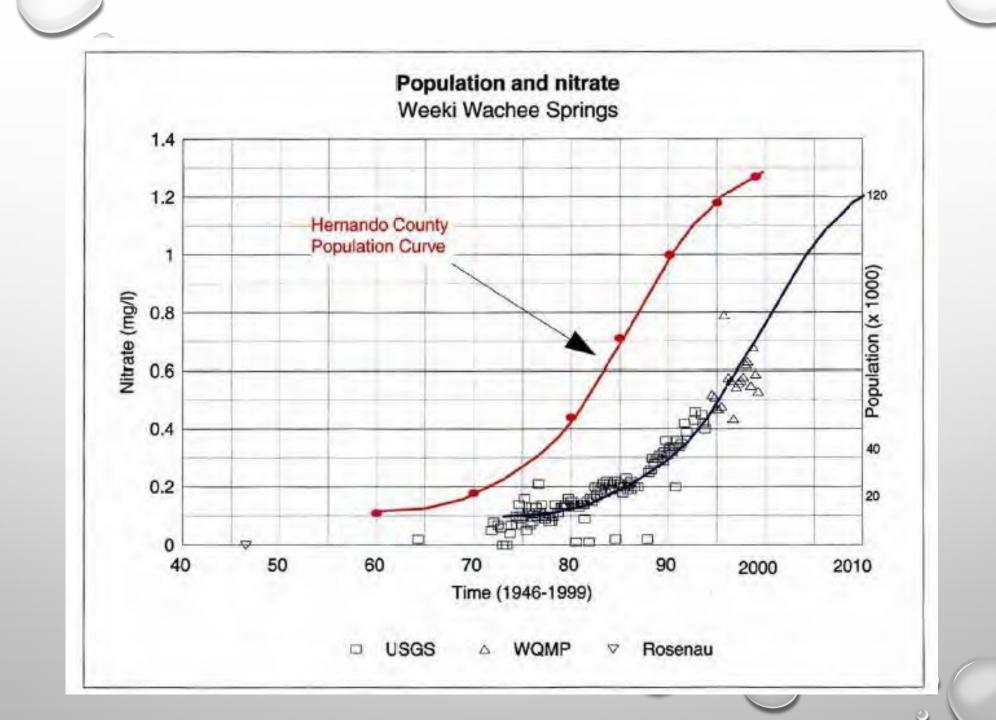
Enforceable sets of projects and management practices designed to reduce nutrients and improve water quality over time

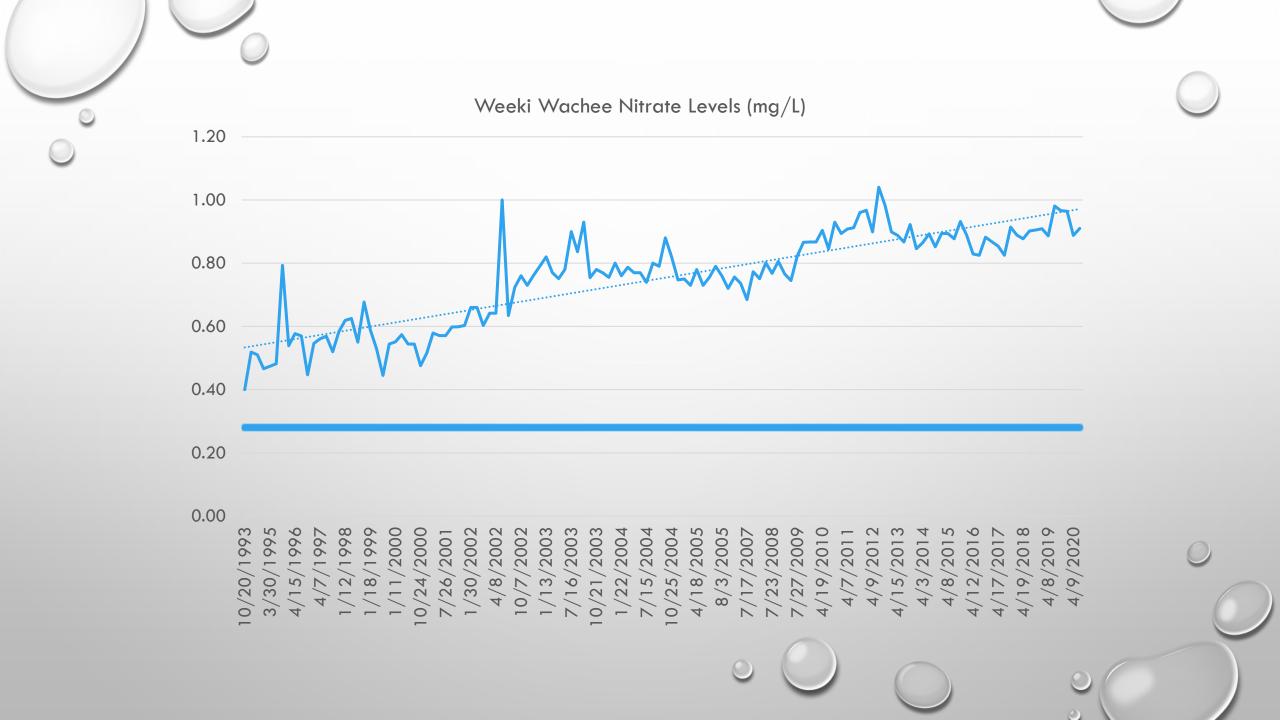
### Florida Springs and Aquifer Protection Act

This act affords special status and protection to historic first-magnitude springs and to other springs of special significance

# FLORIDA SPRINGS AND AQUIFER PROTECTION ACT

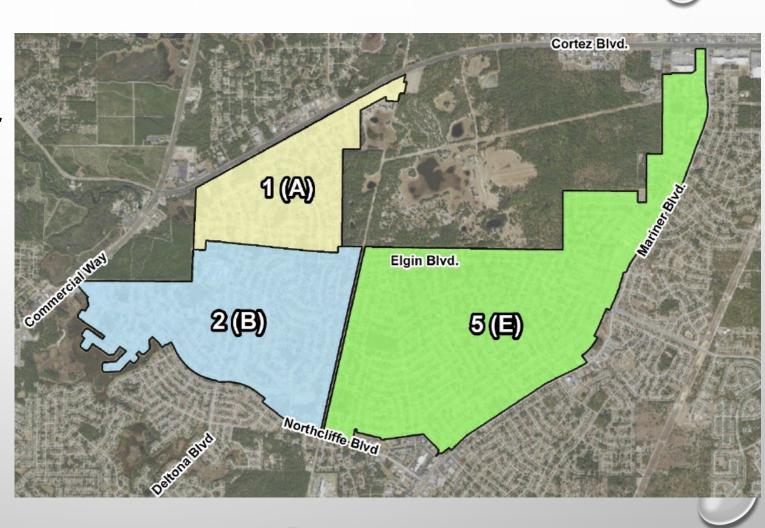
- Priority Focus Areas (PFA) where certain activities are prohibited
- Prioritized schedules (5-year, 10year, and 15-year) of restoration projects and nutrient load reduction
- Achieve water quality restoration targets in 20 years



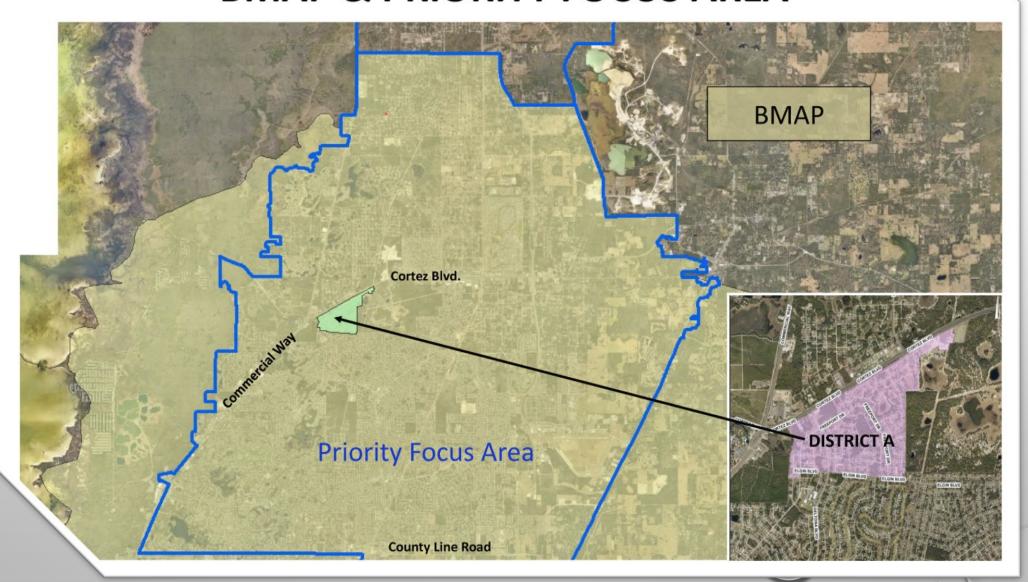


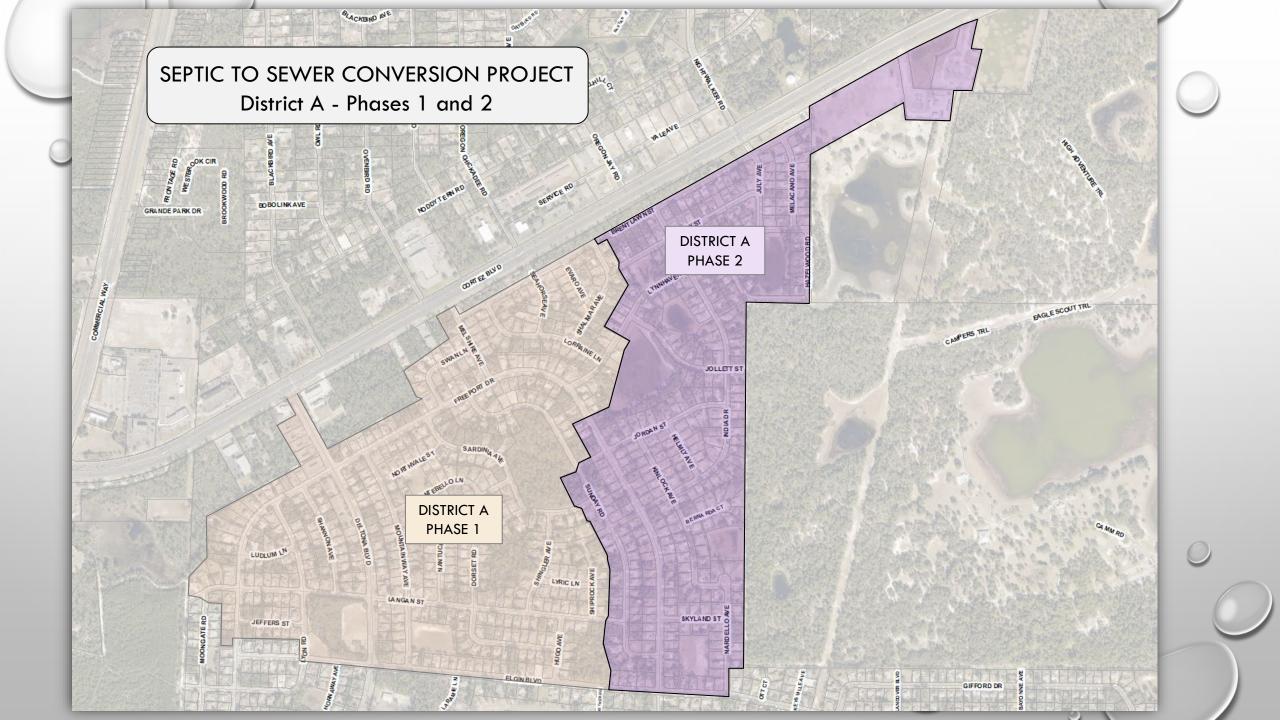
## COUNTY RESEARCH AND PLANNING

- 2016 Septic to Sewer Conversion Study
- 2020 Feasibility
   Analysis (funded by FDEP)



# WEEKI WACHEE SPRINGS BMAP & PRIORITY FOCUS AREA





## Initial Open House Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Sand Hill Scout Reservation







In July of 2016 the Governor signed into law the Florida Springs and Aquifer Protection Act to protect 33 Florida springs threatened by excessive nitrate pollution. As a result, Hernando County has been tasked to find ways to comply with the requirements associated with the 2016 legislation. The State mandated Onsite Sewage Treatment & Disposal System (OSTDS) Remediation Plan requirement for Weeki Wachee Springs is the driving force for Septic to Sewer Conversion plans. Information to be presented

- . How the Florida Springs and Aquifer Protection Act affects Hernando County and you
- What this means for residents of Hernando County
- We look forward to your input and feedback regarding the information provided at this important Open House event.
- . Future plans for Hernando County and its residents

We feel it's important for our residents to be well-informed of potential upcoming changes. Please visit: www.hernandocounty.us/S2S prior to the meeting for helpful background information pertaining to the state mandates and how our County can move forward

We look forward to meeting with you, Hernando County Utilities Department and JonesEdmunds Staff



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Open House Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 HCUD Admin. Building

in order to comply with the state mandated Basin Management Action Plan for Weeki Wachee Springs, Hernando County has been working on converting existing septic systems to centralized sewer. On February 4, 2020, the County hosted an open house to provide information about the plans for converting septic systems to centralized sewer for a portion of the area shown below (District A). At that time, the project was contingent on receiving state funding to assist with the infrastructure costs. The County was recently notified that the project will receive state grant funding for a portion of District A. Local government and state grant funds will be used to pay for approximately 90% of the project costs. It is estimated that the remaining 10% of the costs will come from property assessments which can be paid over a period of 10 years.

The Hernando County Utilities Department (HCUI

will host an Open House on
Wednesday, August 10, 2022, from 2:00 to 6:30 p.m.
County staff will be available between these hours to provide additional information and answer questions about the project The Open House will be held on the first floor of the HCUD administration building, located at 15365 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, Florida 34613

The Hernando Board of County Commissioners will consider the state funding agreements and the creation of a Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) at the regular Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers, Room 16 20 North Main Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601.

ilities needing a special accommodation to participate in these proceed should contact Colleen Conko, Hernando County Administration, 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604, (352)754-4002. If hearing impaired, please call 1-800-676-3777

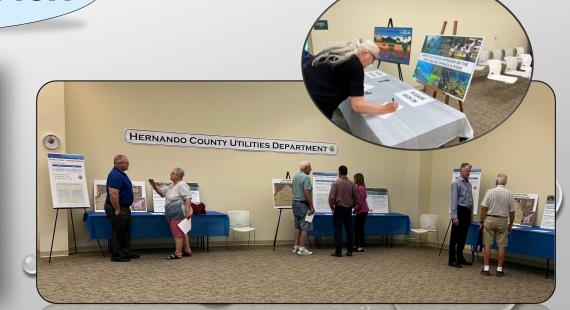


We feel it's important for our residents to be well informed regarding the progress of this project. The FAQ section on our website has been updated. Please go here to find more information: www.hernandocounty.us/S2S

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH**









# DISTRICT A – PHASE 1 (PARTIALLY FDEP FUNDED)

ITEM	COST	
Estimated Cost per lot	\$36,000	
Anticipated Grant Offsets and County Contribution	\$32,400 (90%)	
Estimated Cost to Resident	\$3,600 (10%) *Includes \$3,544 connection fee*	

Anticipated Schedule

• Designed by: 2024

• Constructed by: 2026





	Previous	FY2024	Future	Total
FDEP Springs Funding		\$ 800,000.00	\$ 12,545,000.00	\$ 13,345,000.00
Local Funding		\$ 0.00	\$ 2,355,000.00	\$ 2,355,000.00
Other Funding				\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 0.00	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 14,900,000.00	\$ 15,700,000.00

