

WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER WATERSHED INITIATIVE



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RIVER

- 160 miles long
- Streams, lakes, wetlands

WATERSHED

- Over 2000 square miles
- All or part of 8 counties
- 20% of the District



NATURAL FLUCTUATIONS

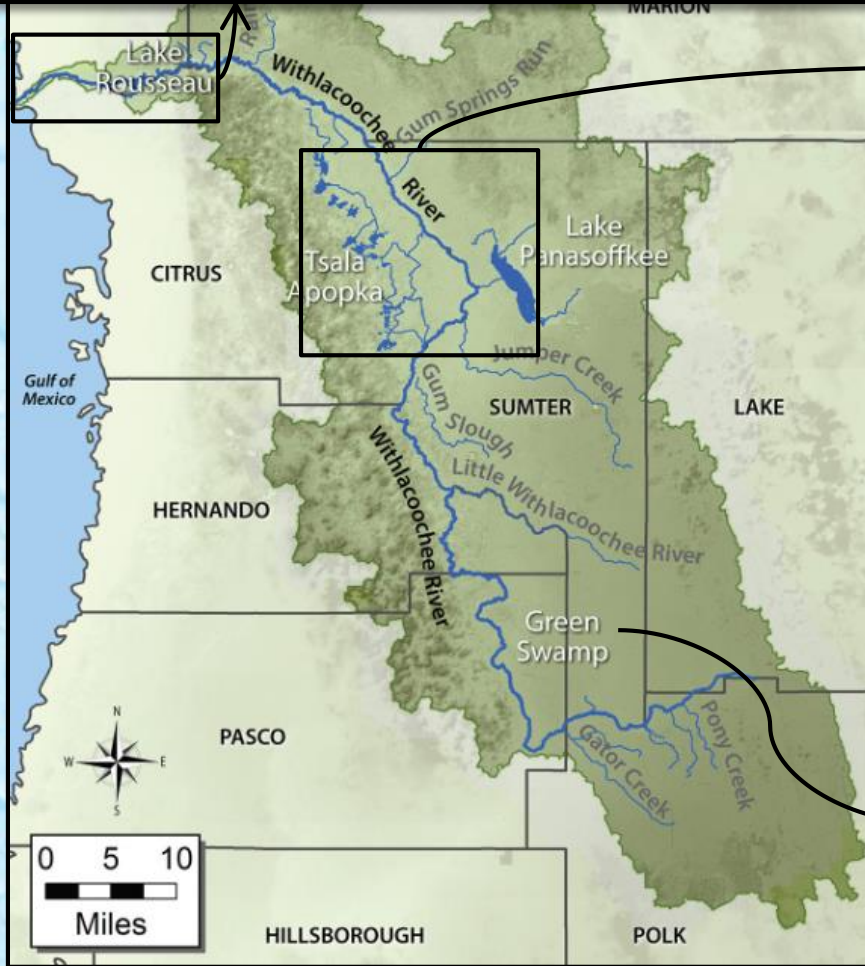


(Istachatta, 2000)

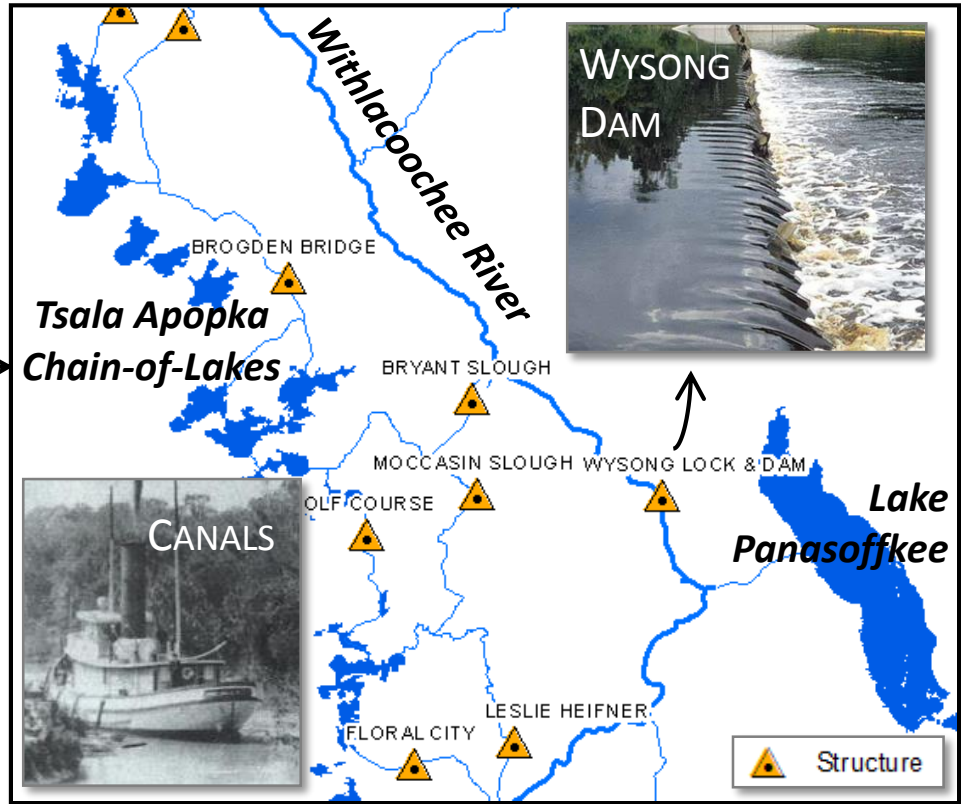


(Trilby, 1933)

BARGE CANAL/LAKE ROUSSEAU



TSALA APOPKA



GREEN SWAMP



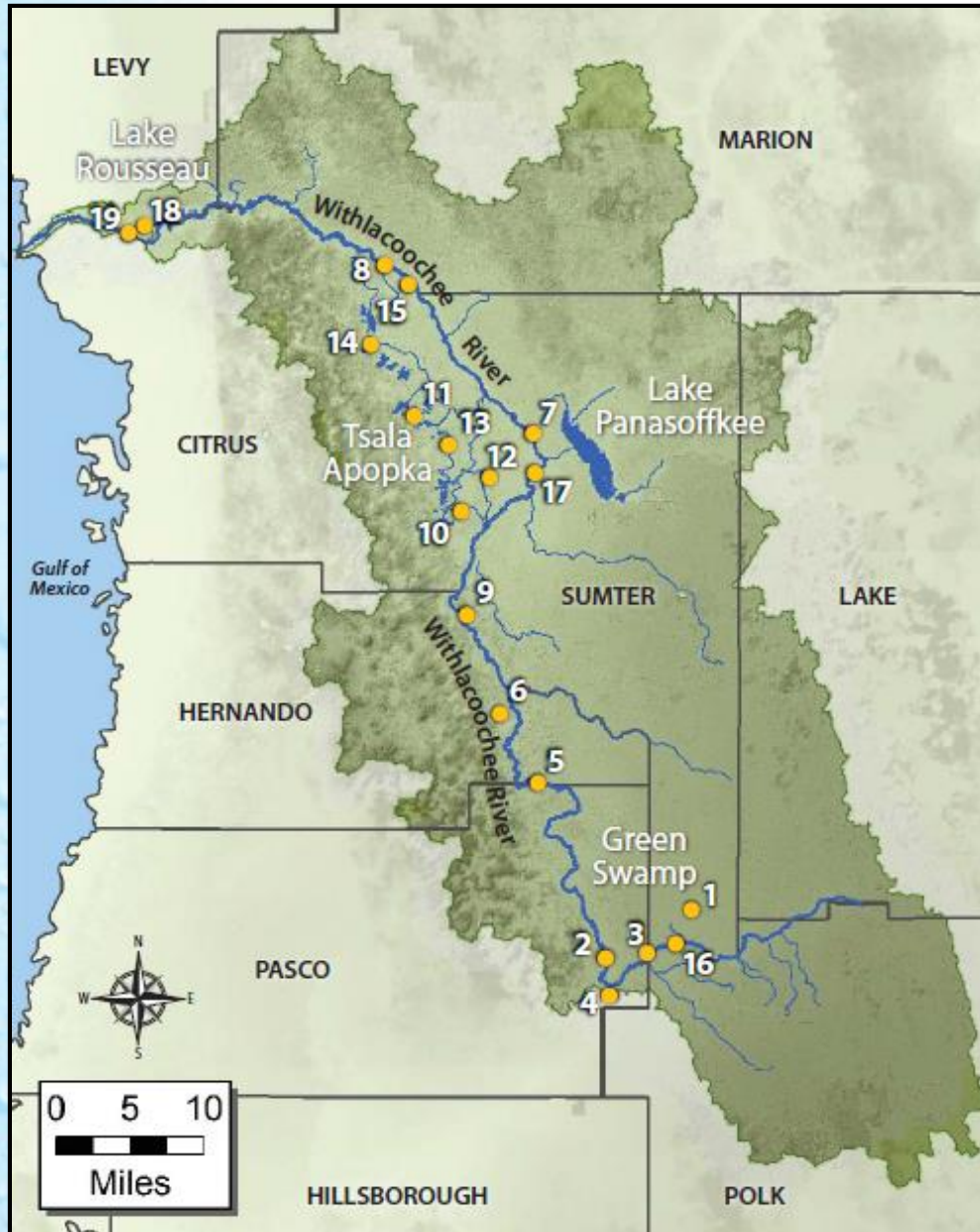
CITIZEN CONCERNS



WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER WATERSHED INITIATIVE

- Understanding
- Effects of alterations
- Management/restoration





MODEL SCENARIOS

- Public input
- Comprehensive model
- 19 critical issues
- Public engagement



(bridge pilings in Green Swamp)

TENTATIVE OUTREACH SCHEDULE

Components	Time Frame
Stakeholder Meetings and Presentations	May 2013 – Ongoing
Stakeholder Preliminary Results Meetings	Feb. – March 2015
Post Results & Open Comment Period	April – May 2015
Public Workshops	April – May 2015
Address Public Comments	June – July 2015
Findings to Governing Board	Aug. – Sept. 2015

A large, weathered log with a hole in the center, surrounded by green foliage in a forest. The log is the central focus, with a dark, irregular hole cut through its middle. The wood shows clear growth rings and is heavily textured with moss and lichen. The background is a dense forest with various green plants and trees.

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