



**City of Haines City** 

# Integrated 1Water Approach to Evaluate Lake, Groundwater & Ecosystem Restoration





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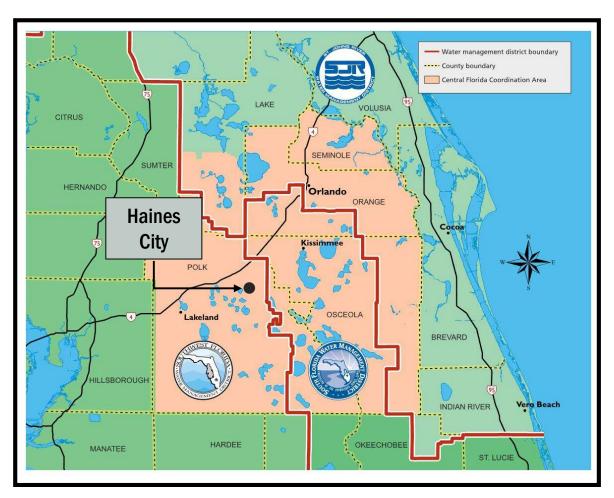




# **Agenda**

- 1. Project Need
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- 7. 1Water Approach
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- 9. Lake Existing Conditions Assessment
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# Central Florida Water Initiative



- Five County Area
- Traditional
   Groundwater Sources
   Will Not Meet
   Estimated Demand
   w/o Adverse Impacts
- Most of Capacity Will Need to Come From Alternative Sources
- Promoting Multijurisdictional Partnerships for Regional Benefits

# The City's Vision

- Environmental: Protect our natural amenities by encouraging proactive environmental initiatives intended to safeguard our natural resources.
- Infrastructure: Maintain, protect and design infrastructure that ensures a desired level of service and provides for future needs.
- Quality of Life: Create an environment that enhances the quality of life and benefits the community culturally, recreationally and economically.

# Lake Eva and Lake Henry Restoration Benefits

- This project can provide a variety of benefits, including ecological restoration, water quality improvements, aquifer recharge, and stormwater harvesting.
- By helping to address water quality, water supply, natural systems, and flood protection needs.





### **Previous Work**

#### **Existing Reports Collected**

Wahneta Canal Watershed Management Plan - PBSJ, 2005

Peace Creek Watershed Management Plan Alternatives Report - PBSJ, 2006

Peace Creek Watershed Regulatory Review - PBSJ, 2006

Peace Creek Watershed Management Plan Surface Water Resource Assessment Land Ownership Report – PBSJ, 2006

Peace Creek Watershed Management Plan Surface Water Resource Assessment - PBSJ, 2006

Peace Creek Watershed Management Plan Watershed Evaluation Report Phase I - PBSJ, 2006

City of Lake Wales Watershed Management Plan Final Report - PBSJ, 2007

Hydrogeology of Polk County - USGS, 2007

Peace Creek Watershed Management Plan Data Collection Report - PBSJ, 2008

Polk County Comprehensive Water Supply Plan - Reiss Eng., 2009

Peace Creek Level of Service Memo - Atkins, 2014

Peace Creek Winter Haven Chain of Lakes Structure Optimization Report - Atkins, 2014

Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) Minimum Standards for Water Resource Data Collection, Site Establishment, and Field Data Collection Protocols – CFWI, 2014

Proposed Minimum and Guidance Levels for Lake Eva (Haines City in Polk County, Florida (Draft) – SWFWMD, 2016

CFWI Environmental Measures Team - CFWI, N/A

Ground-Water Contamination Potential and Quality in Polk County, Florida - USGS, 1992

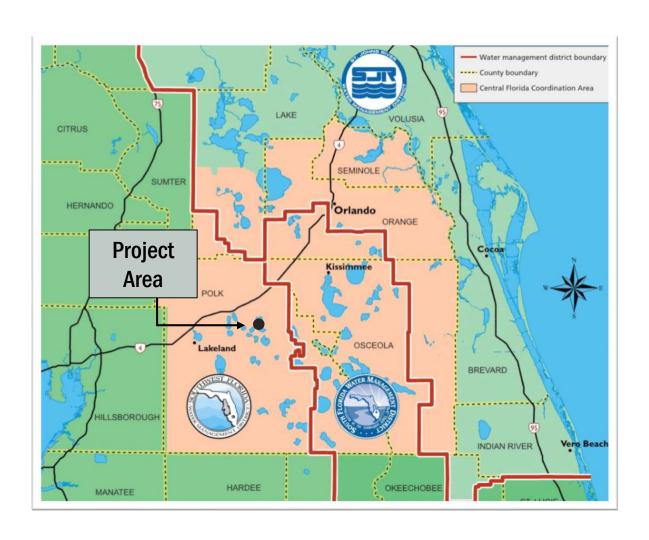
Current Data Sources include Haines City, SWFWMD, FDOT, USGS, Polk County Water Atlas, USFWS, and FGS

# City's Partners and Stakeholders

- SWFWMD
- Haines City Water Control District
- City of Winter Haven
- Polk County
- FDOT
- FDEP

We're in this together

# **Project Vicinity Map**



# **Project Study Area**



# **Project Objectives**



Address Lake Eva Minimum Flow and **Level** (MFL) and SWFWMD guidance levels



Improve water quality in Lake Eva



Improve **flood protection** in the vicinity of Lake Henry, while protecting **water recreation** opportunities



Improve **groundwater recharge** and potentially obtain water supply credits from SWFWMD



**Natural systems** enhancement/improvement



What is One Water and is it the Answer???

ONE WATER



### **Challenges Drive New Thinking about Water**

Growth

Resource Availability

Water Value

Sea Level Rise

Technology

Risks

Cost

Mandates

Availability

Sea Level Rise

Technology

Cost

# To Meet Current Challenges - One Water Shifts How We Manage Our Water Resources







ONE WATER

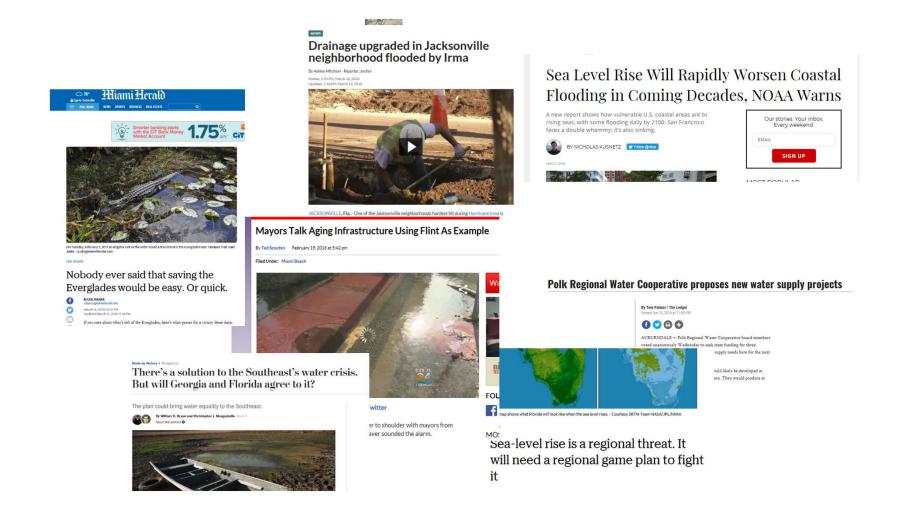
### One Water defined

One Water is an integrated planning and implementation approach to managing finite water resources for long-term resilience and reliability, meeting both community and ecosystem needs.





# Florida Faces a Variety of Challenges



# Integrated Approach = Technical + Business Case Evaluation + Stakeholder/Community Input

- 1. Series of Technical Memorandums
  - a. Summary of Collected/Evaluated Existing Data (#1)
  - b. Data Collection Plan (#2)
  - c. Data Acquisition, Analysis, and Modeling (#3)
    - H&H 2-D Modeling
    - ii. Water Quality Analysis
    - iii. Statistical Analysis
  - d. Alternative Analysis and BCE Evaluation (#4)
- 2. Stakeholder/Community Involvement
- 3. Conceptual Design and Final Report



The series of key project TM's summarizing the science-based approach/input/findings and rolling up to Final Report keeps project stakeholders and the community well informed and involved throughout process to reach the most effective and publicly acceptable 1Water solution

# **Availability of Water for Hydrologic Restoration**

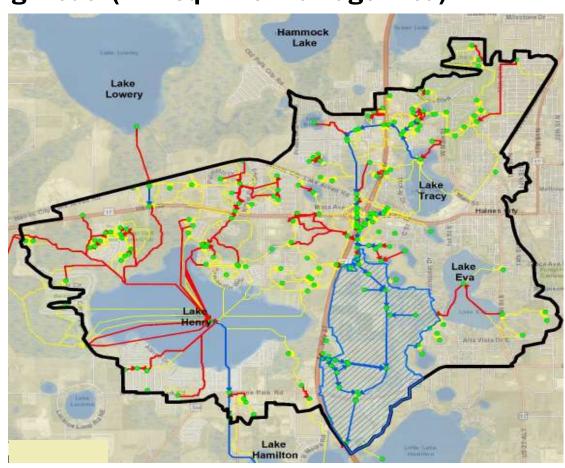
- 1. Is there enough "Excess" water to meaningfully restore Lake Eva water levels?
- 2. Is the "Excess" water available when Lake Eva needs it?
- 3. Where is the "Excess" water coming from?
- 4. Can the "Excess" water be re-routed the Lake Eva?
- 5. Will intercepting/re-directing "excess" water negatively impact downstream waterbodies?

Answering these questions requires a detailed hydrologic analysis!

# **H&H Modeling Approach Overview**

Project Hydrologic Analysis Included Development of a Surface Water/Groundwater routing model (~11 sq. mile Drainage Area)

- Utilized ICPR v4
   Modeling Software.
- Simulated ~20-year period ( 2002 – 2016) and Range of Design 24 hr. Storms (2, 10, 25, and 100-year events)
- Included Both 1-D and 2-D Surface Water Routing
- Included 2-D
   Groundwater Model
- Calibrated/Verified using Lake Monitoring Data



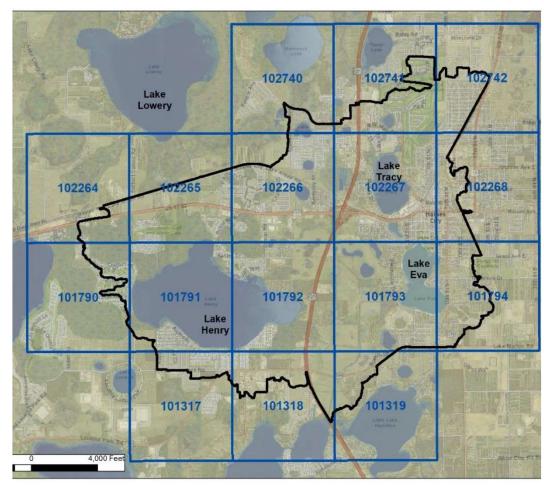
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- Rainfall
- Evapotranspiration (ET)
- Soils
- Land Cover

#### **Hydraulic Data:**

- Topographic
- Conveyance Features
- Water Levels

- Surficial Aquifer (SA)
   Conductivity
- Intermediate Aquifer (IA)
  Leakance
- Upper Floridan Aquifer (UFA) Potentiometric Surface
- Lake Bathymetry



NEXRAD Grid (15-minute Radar rainfall and Reference ET)

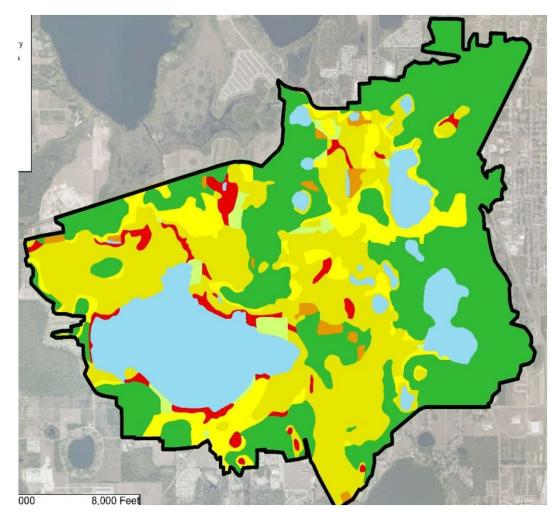
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**USDA Soil Coverage** 

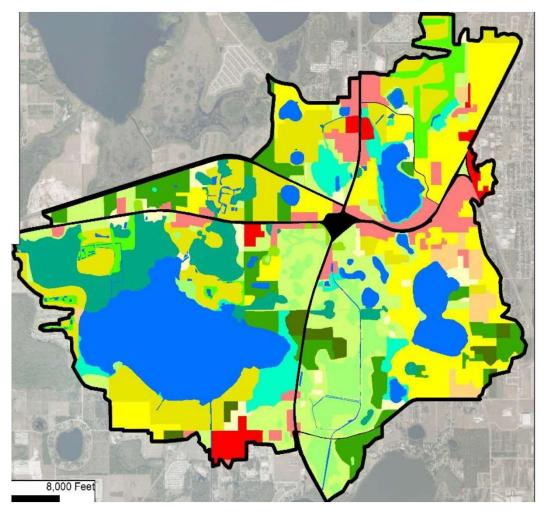
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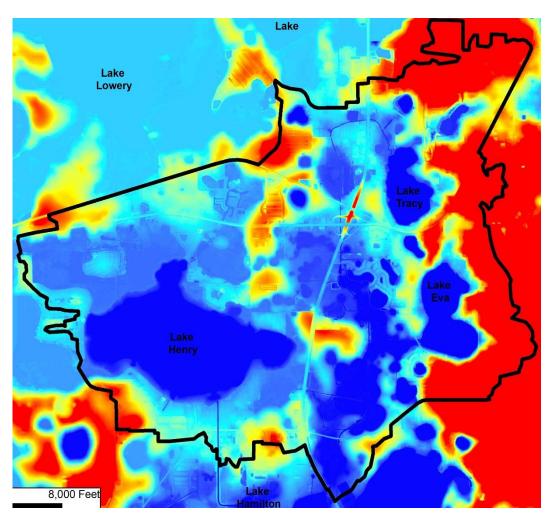
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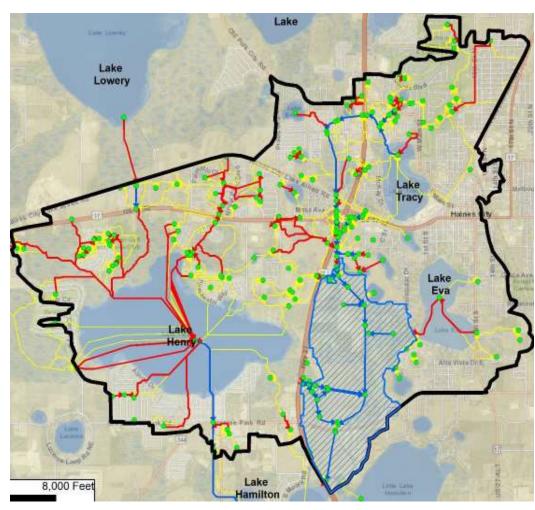
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Surface Water Connections (Pipes/Channels)

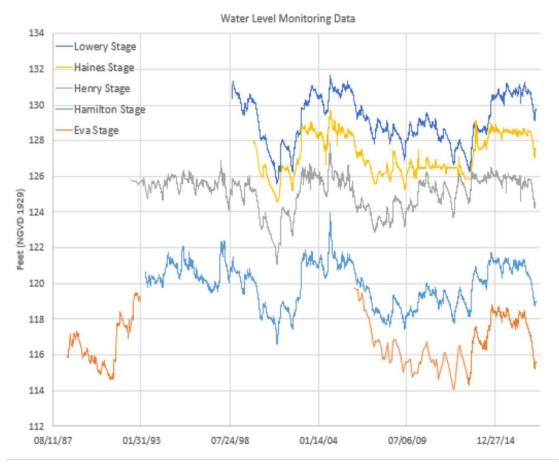
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SWFWMD/USGS Lake Monitoring Data

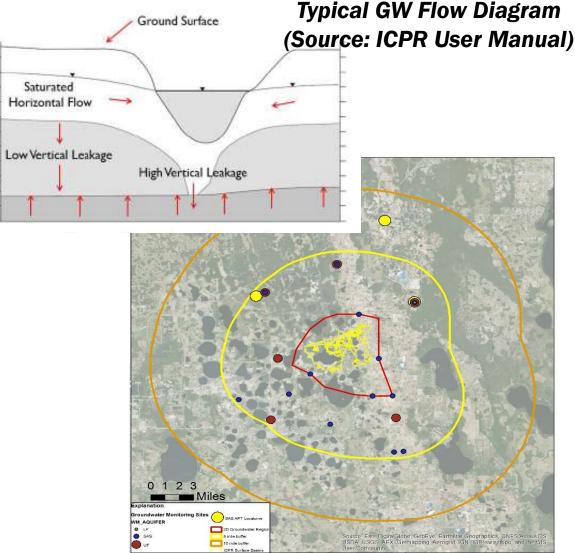
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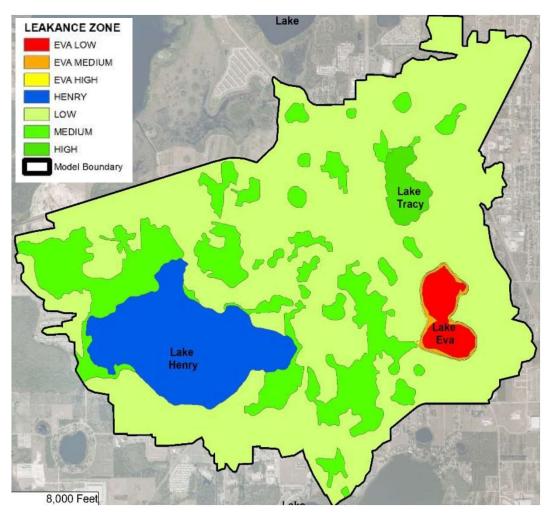
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IA Leakance Coverage

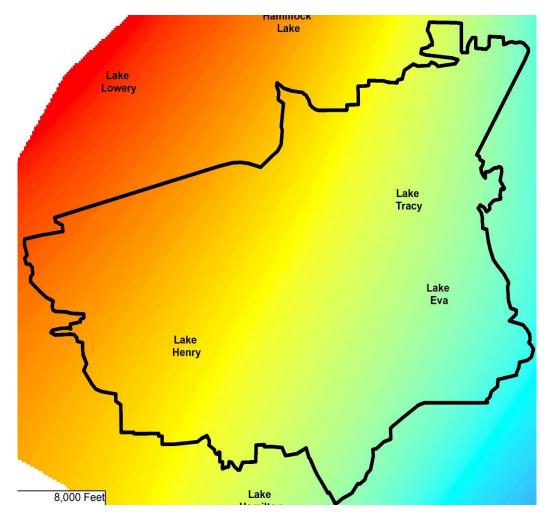
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**September 2007 Potentiometric Surface** 

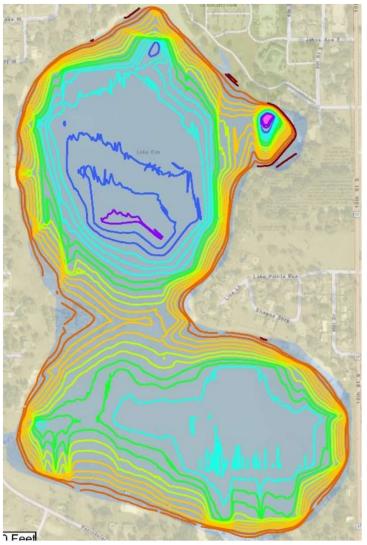
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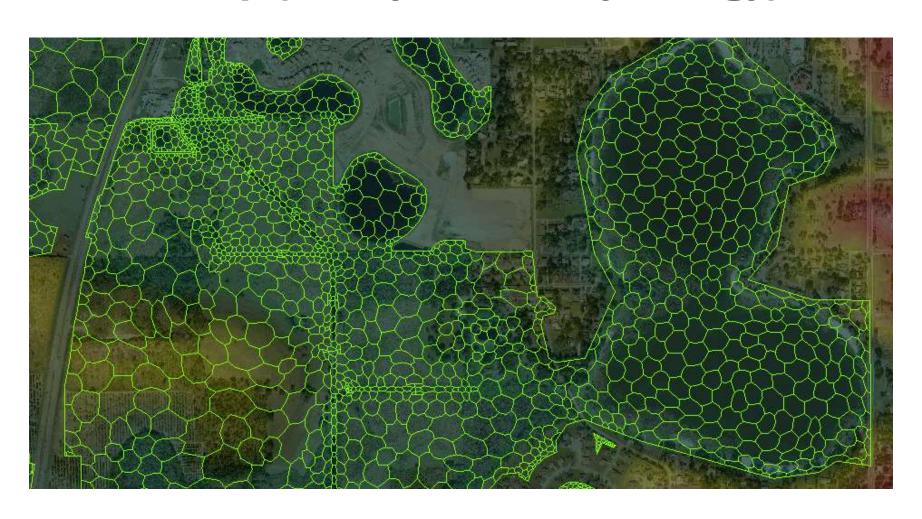
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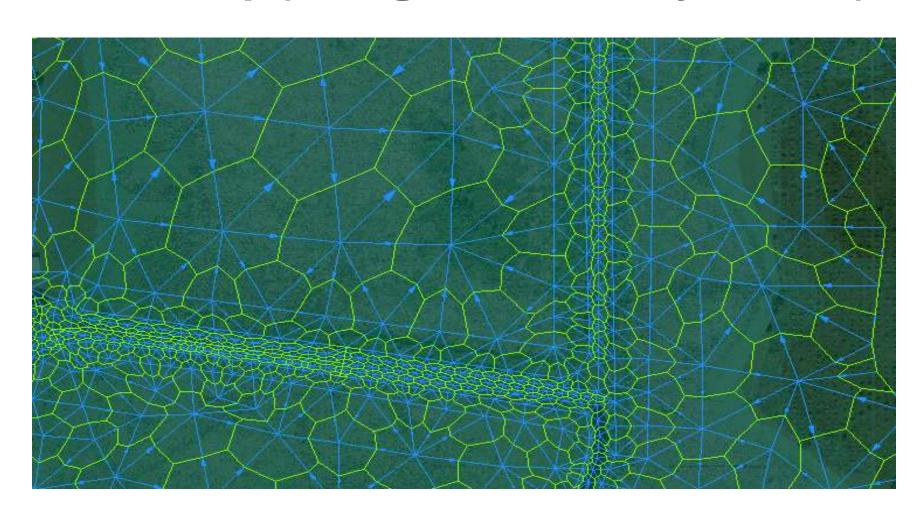


**Lake Eva Bathymetric Contours** 

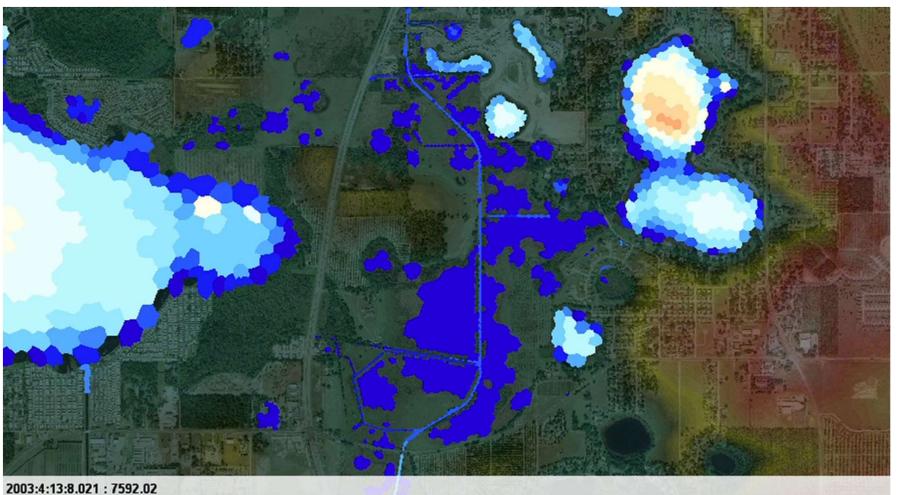
# **Model Setup (Honey Comb - Hydrology)**



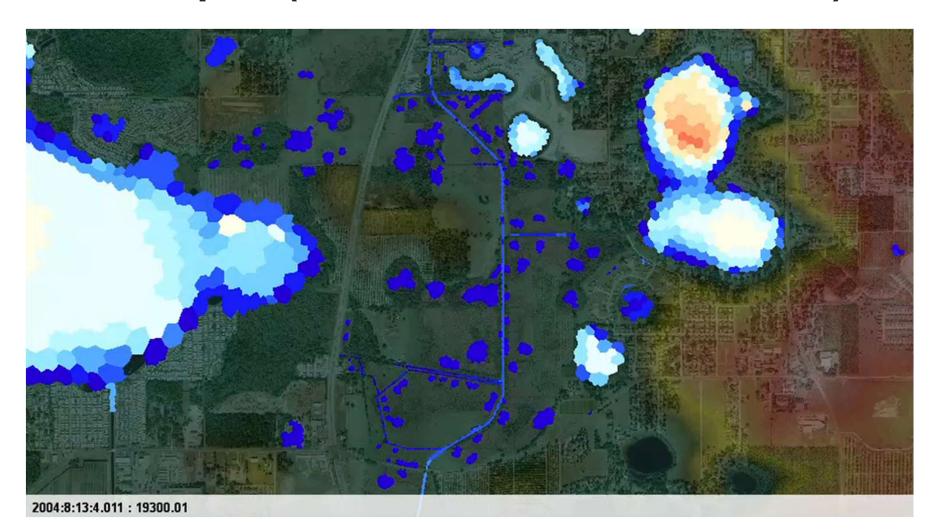
# **Model Setup (Triangular Mesh - Hydraulics)**



# **Model Outputs (Animation – Normal Wet Season)**



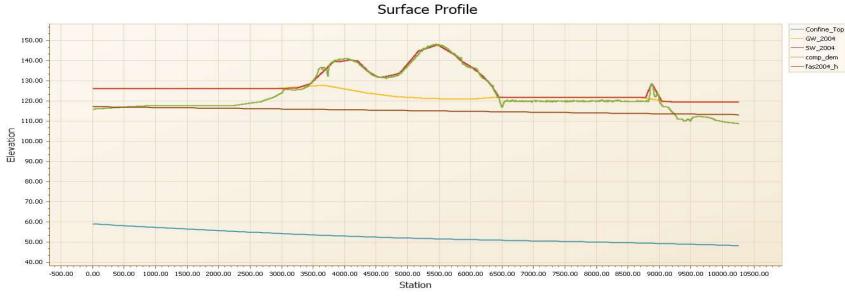
# **Model Outputs (Animation – 2004 Hurricanes)**



# Model Outputs (Surface Profile – 2002 (Dry))

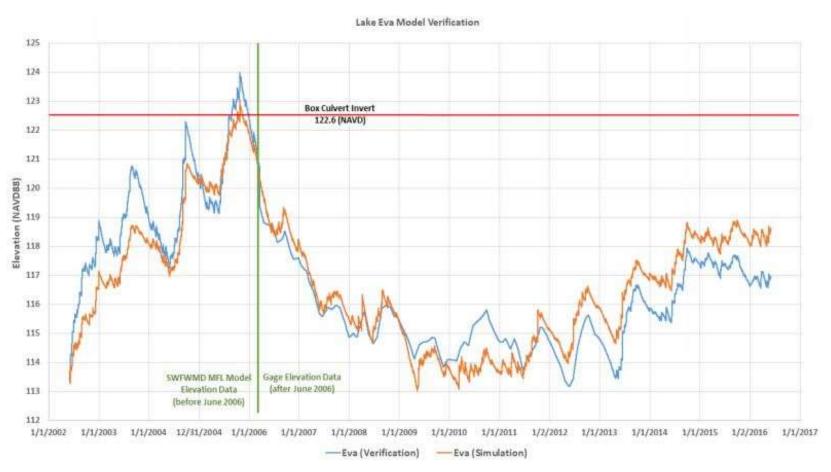


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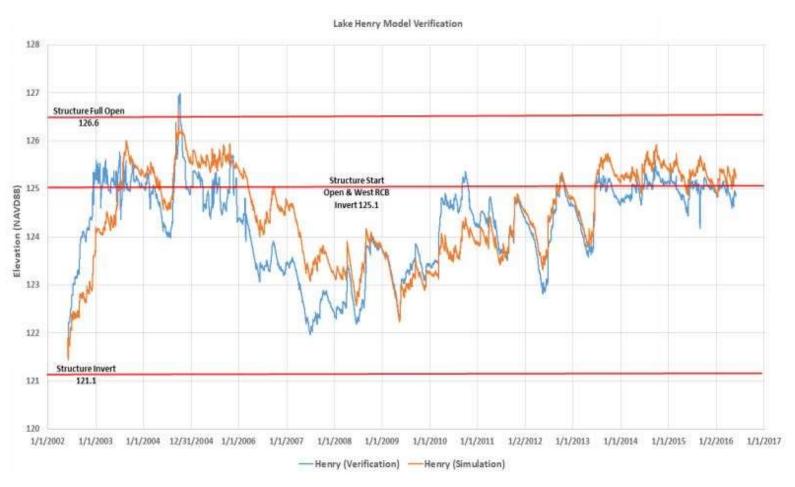


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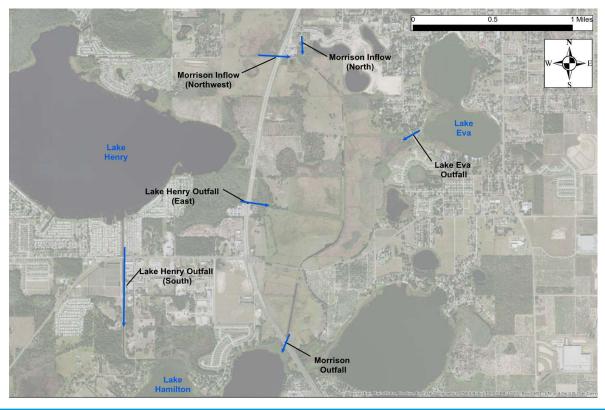
**Lake Eva Model Verification Results** 

# **Modeling Verification**



**Lake Henry Model Verification Results** 

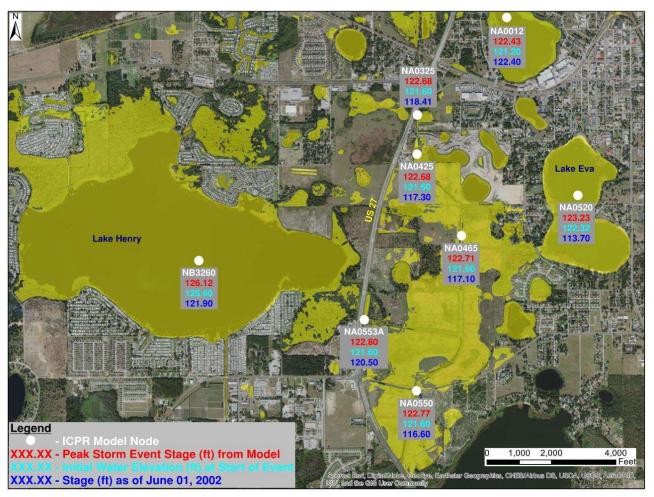
# **Existing Condition Model Results**



Project Area Water Availability – Average Annual

Water Availability in the Lake Eva - Lake Henry Study Area Based on ICPR Modeling Results (average annual water volume from 6/1/2002 to 5/31/2016)					
Lake Eva Outfall (West to Morrison) Ac-ft/yr	Lake Henry Outfall (South to Hamilton) Ac-ft/yr	Lake Henry Outfall (East to Morrison) Ac-ft/yr	Morrison Outfall (South to Hamilton) Ac-ft/yr	Morrison Inflow (from North) Ac-ft/yr	Morrison Inflow (from Northwest) Ac-ft/yr
0	213	413	2,752	1,661	91

# **Existing Condition Model Results**



Lake Eva and Lake Henry 100-year, 24-hour Storm Event Flood Inundation and Peak Stages

## **Lake Assessment Purpose**

# **Trends**

# Understand

**Baseline Conditions** 

**Develop Tools** 

Quality Evaluate

Develop Tool

Evaluate

Relationships

Comparison



Improve water quality in Lake Eva



## **Lake Conditions Assessment Approach**

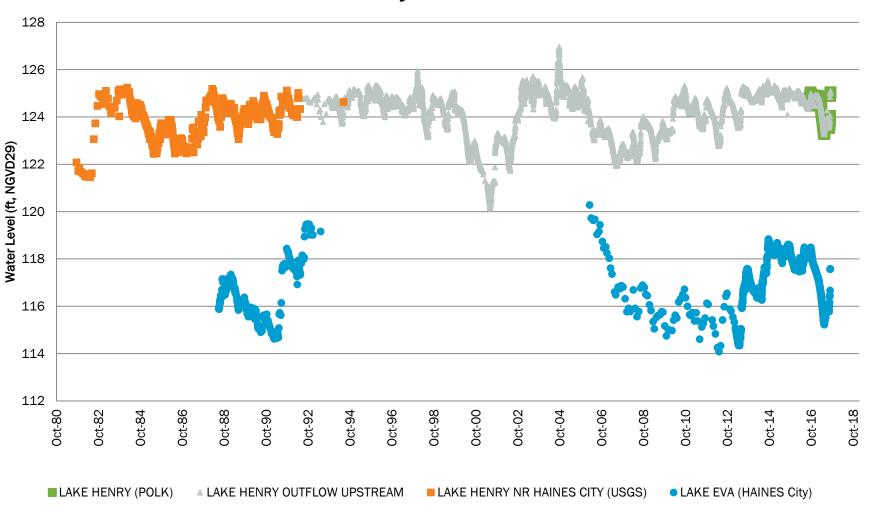
### **Characteristics Evaluated**

- Water Surface Level
- Lake Level Response to Rainfall
- Lake Stage/Volume Relationship
- Surface Water/Lake Bottom Sediment Quality
- Aquatic Vegetation
- Lake WQ Parameters Correlation
- Hydrologic and Nutrient Budgets
- Nutrient Assessment



Lake Eva Vegetation

#### Lake Eva and Henry Historic Water Surface Levels



### Lakes' Stage, Area, and Storage

Lake	Bottom El	High El	TOB Area (acres)	Volume (acre-ft)
Henry	113.63	134	1,385	18,062
Eva	102	121	176	1,881



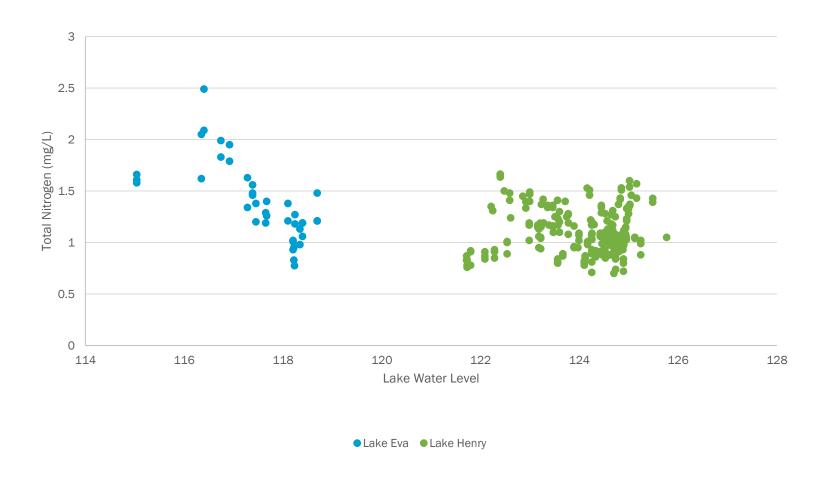
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Lake Henry Storage Volume is Approximately 10 times greater than Lake Eva's

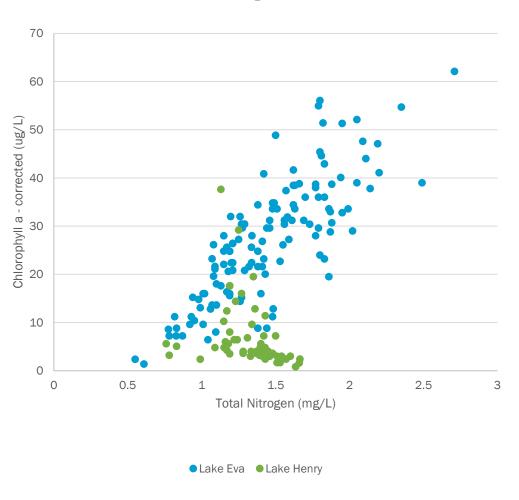
Water Quality Analysis - Statistical Methods and Results

- Lake Eva time series of TN, TP, and chlorophyll-a
- Lake Henry time series of TN, TP, and chlorophyll-a
- Annual geometric mean TN and TP and avg. annual TN-TP ratio in Lake Eva and Lake Henry
- Annual geometric mean chlorophyll-a, DO, and PH in Lake Eva and Lake Henry
- Annual geometric mean Secchi disk depth, TSS, and turbidity in Lake Eva and Lake Henry
- Annual geometric mean alkalinity, color, and temperature in Lake Eva and Lake Henry
- Water quality and WQ/depth correlations

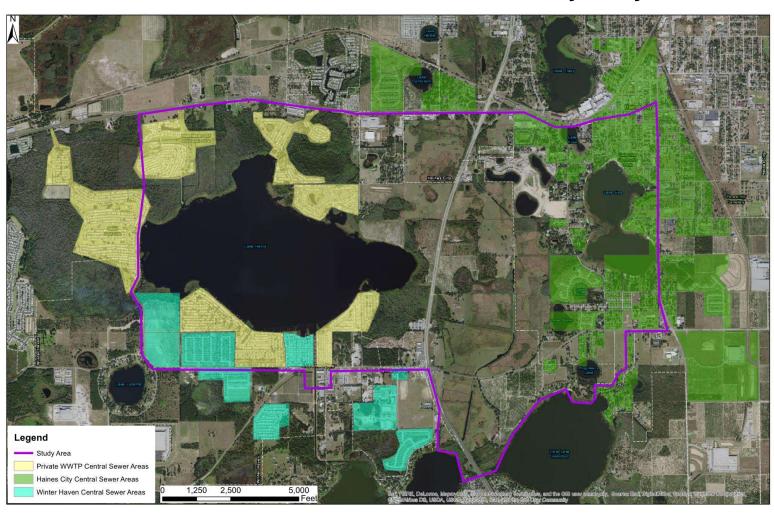
Water Quality Samples (TN) by Level for Lake Eva



### Chlorophyll-a versus Total Nitrogen for Lake Eva



Central Sewer Areas in Lake Eva and Lake Henry Study Area



Lake Eva Sediment and Aquatic Vegetation Analysis



Saloid-bound and iron-bound phosphorus concentrations were a small portion of total P in the sediment samples. This indicates a low propensity for sediments in Lake Eva to contribute significant internal P loading to the Lake

Lake Eva Hydrologic and Nutrient (TN, TP) Budgets

- Estimating Stormwater Runoff Loadings
  - Land Use GIS
  - > H&H Model Results
  - Literature-based bulk deposition areal loading rates
  - Literature-based TP and TN concentrations (FDEP)
- Nutrient Budget
  - > Stormwater
  - Direct Precipitation
  - ➤ Groundwater Seepage

Lake Eva Estimated External Annual Average Nutrient Loadings 1,708 kg TN and 218 kg TP

### Lake Eva Water Quality

Lake Trophic Condition	Carlson TSI	Secchi Disk Depth (ft)	Chlorophyll-a (µg/l)	TP (µg/l)
Oligotrophic	< 38	> 15	< 2.2	< 10
Mesotrophic	38 - 48	7.5 - 15	2.2 - 6	10 - 20
Eutrophic	49 - 61	3 - 7.4	6.1 - 22	20.1 - 50
Hypereutrophic	> 61	< 3	> 22	> 50

Based on historic total phosphorus and chlorophyll-a concentrations, and Secchi disk depth, Lake Eva water quality varies from eutrophic to hypereutrophic



Hypereutrophic Lake w/Elevated Algal Concentration

### Lake Eva Water Quality Existing Conditions Summary

- Lower Chlorophyll-a concentrations associated with higher lake water levels and lower TN
- Chlorophyll-a was strongly positively correlated with TN, TSS, and turbidity
- Regression Analysis showed TN is more important than TP in predicting Chlorophyll-a
- Lake Eva from 2016-2016 only met state applicable NNC during one 3-year period

Statistical Analysis indicates Lake Eva water quality improves at higher levels.

### **Alternative Analysis Evaluation Criteria and Priority**

Selection Evaluation Criteria	Priority*	Description
Meet Regional Integrated Water Resources Needs		Follow Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) guidelines, use regional approach to solve multi-jurisdictional "One Water" needs
Address Lake Eva Low Water Level Concerns		Address Regulatory Requirements for Maintaining Minimum Level and Flow (MFL) in Lake Eva
Improve Lake Eva Water Quality		Achieve Lake Water Quality Improvement for Key Parameters including Total Phosphorus and Chlorophyll-a
Life-Cycle Cost		Lowest combined Capital and O&M Costs for 20-year life
Likelihood or Ease of Permitting		Regulatory Acceptability and Less Time/Lower Cost for Project Permitting
Minimize Need for Land Acquisition and Easements		Maximize the use of existing public lands and easements for project improvements and minimize the need to acquire additional private land or easements
Minimize Impacts (temporary/permanent) to residences and businesses		Construction and Operation of Proposed Improvements has minimal impact on residences and businesses
Proven Treatment/Recharge Approach		Use project elements which are effective and meet regulatory requirements
Provide Groundwater Recharge and Water Supply Credits		Infiltrate "Excess" Water into project area groundwater system with the goal of generating water supply credits
Provide Natural Systems Enhancement		Improve ecosystem form and function within the project area
Public / Stakeholder Acceptance		Consensus of acceptance by Stakeholders, Residences, and Businesses
Recreational Benefits		Maintain or improve Lake Recreational Benefits (Swimming, boating, fishing, etc.)
Reduce Lake Henry Flooding During Wet Weather Periods		Reduce extent/depth of flooding for residents adjacent to Lake Henry based on existing flood maps
Social Benefits		Provide public benefits such as increased property value, economic development, educational opportunities, aesthetics, etc.
Utilize Existing Infrastructure and Natural Conveyances		Maximize natural conveyance and maintain existing drainage system infrastructure in such a way that it's compatible with maximizing natural conveyance.

### **Collaborative Process for Criteria Prioritization**

Evaluation Criteria and Priority				
Input by Project Team, November 2017				
Selection Evaluation Criteria	Priority*	Description		
Improve Lake Eva Water Quality	2.89	Achieve Lake Water Quality Improvement for Key Parameters including Total Phosphorus and Chlorophyll-a		
Address Lake Eva Low Water Level Concerns	2.94	Address Regulatory Requirements for Maintaining Minimum Level and Flow (MFL) in Lake Eva		
Meet Regional Integrated Water Resources Needs	5.1	Follow Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) guidelines, use regional approach to solving multi-jurisdictional "One Water" needs		
Public / Stakeholder Acceptance	5.9	Consensus of acceptance by Stakeholders, Residences, and Businesses		
Reduce Lake Henry Flooding During Wet Weather Periods	6.2	Reduce extent/depth of flooding for residents adjacent to Lake Henry for the 100-year, 24-hour event based on existing flood maps		
Provide Groundwater Recharge and Water Supply Credits	7.5	Infiltrate "Excess" Water into project area groundwater system with the goal of generating water supply credit		
Provide Natural Systems Enhancement	8.3	Improve ecosystem form and function within the project area		
Minimize Impacts (temporary/permanent) to residences and businesses	8.8	Construction and Operation of Proposed Improvements has minimal impact on residences and businesses		
Life-Cycle Cost	9.1	Lowest combined Capital and O&M Costs for 20-year life		
Utilize Existing Infrastructure and Natural Conveyances	9.2	Maximize natural conveyance and maintain existing drainage system infrastructure is such a way that it's compatible with maximizing natural conveyance.		
Likelihood or Ease of Permitting	9.4	Regulatory Acceptability and Less Time/Lower Cost for Project Permitting		
Proven Treatment/Recharge Approach	9.5	Use project elements which are effective and meet regulatory requirements		
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Minimize Need for Land Acquisition and Easements	10.7	Maximize the use of existing public lands and easements for project improvements and minimize the need to acquire additional private land or easements		
Social Benefits	11.9	Provide public benefits such as increased property value, economic development, educational opportunities, aesthetics, etc.		

<sup>\* =</sup> Rank from 1 to 15, "1" is most preferred

### **Conclusions**

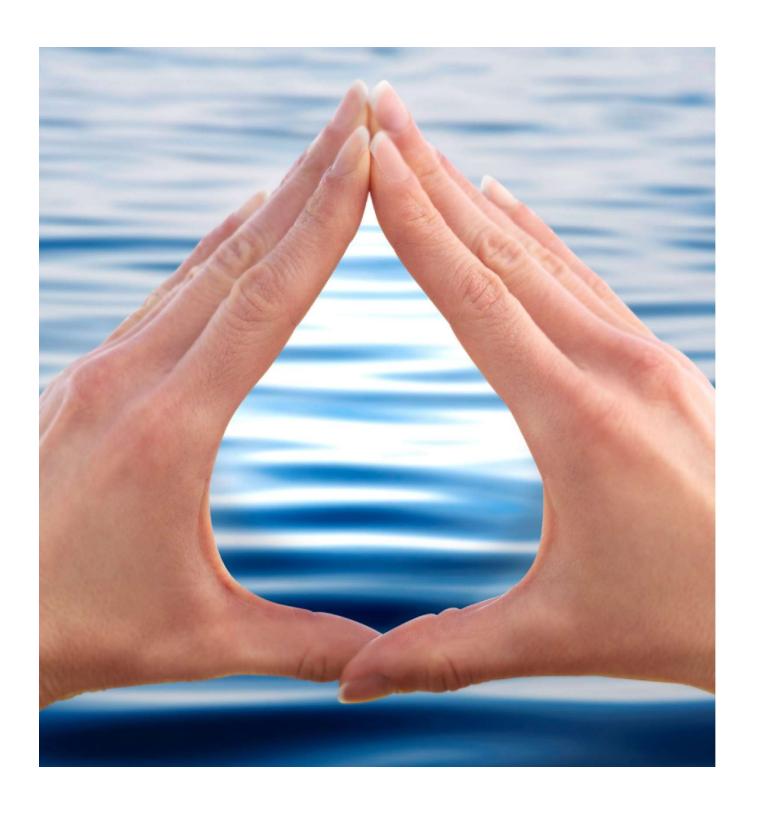
- 1. Flooding in the vicinity Lake Henry appears to be limited
- 2. Preliminary Model Results indicates there is sufficient water (avg. basis) reaching Morrison Ranch property (project area) to evaluate alternatives to meet project objectives
- 3. Long-term simulations are required to evaluate seasonal variability
- 4. No need to alter Lake Henry water inflow, elevation or water quality
- 5. There are options to improve stormwater water quality entering Lake Eva
- 6. Statistical Analysis indicates Lake Eva WQ improves at higher lake levels
- 7. Potential areas exist for wetland rehydration and enhancement

## **Next Steps**

- BCE Approach to Alternative Analysis and Ranking
  - a. Brainstorm Alternatives
  - b. Conduct Fatal Flaw Analysis
  - c. H&H Modeling and Water Quality Analysis of Alternatives Short-list
  - d. Quantify Benefits and Identify Potential Risks
  - e. Develop Estimated Life-Cycle Costs
  - f. Apply Weighted Evaluation Criteria to Rank Alternatives
  - g. Summarize Analysis and Results in TM#4
- 2. Recommended Alt. Conceptual Design
- 3. Feasibility Report



Stakeholder/ Community Involvement and City Commission Workshops



### Questions?

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