Upper Ocklawaha Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Annual Meeting

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Agenda

- Upper Ocklawaha Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Overview.
- Annual Progress.
- St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) Update.
- Next Steps - BMAP Update.

Please note the FTP site for documents pertaining to the Upper Ocklawaha BMAP:
https://publicfiles.dep.state.fl.us/DEAR/BMAP/Upper_Ocklawaha/
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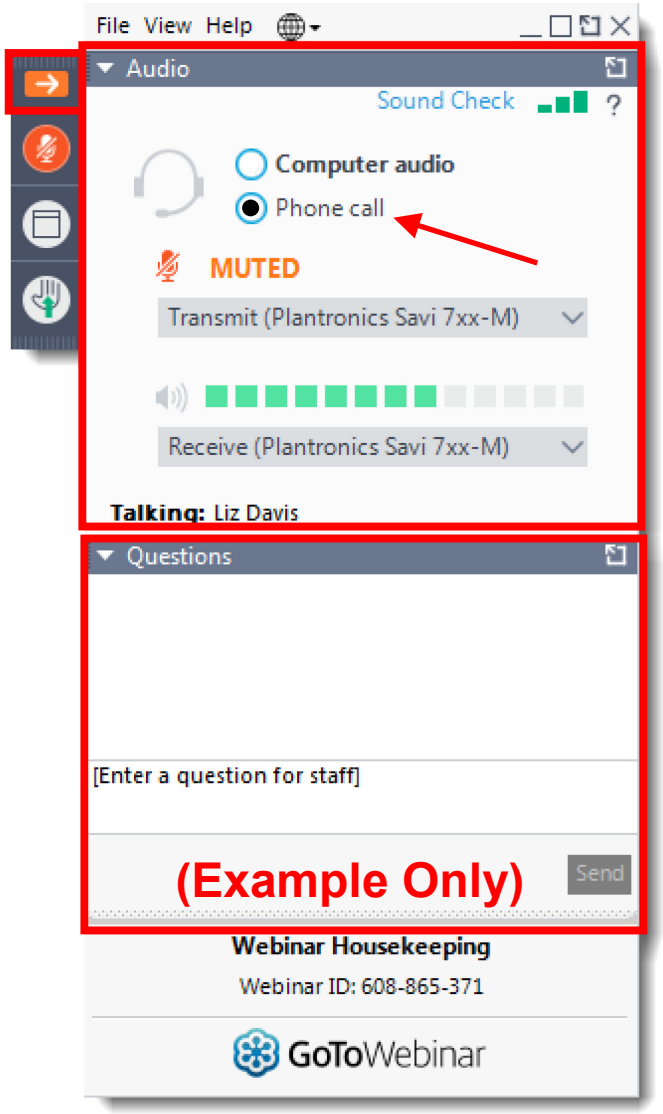

UPPER OCKLAWAHA BASIN MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN ANNUAL MEETING

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AGENDA

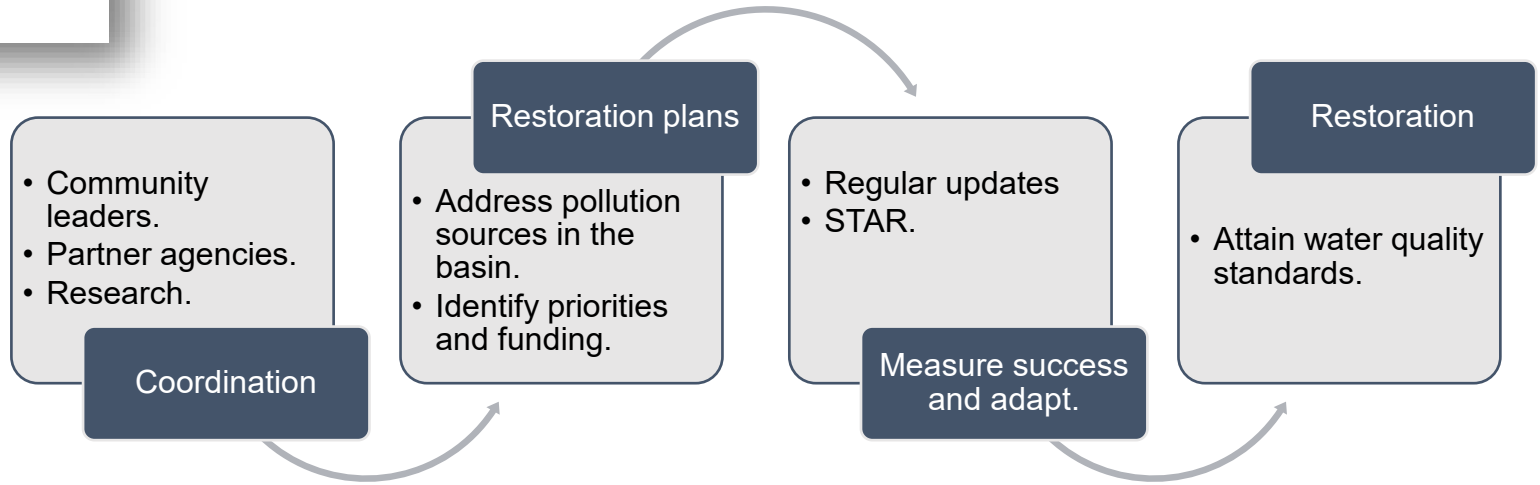
- Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Overview.
- Statewide Annual Report (STAR).
- Annual Progress.
- St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) Update.
- Next Steps - BMAP Update:
  - Milestones.
  - Hotspot Analysis.
  - SJR Model.

BMAPs

One of DEP's methods for **restoring water quality** in an impaired waterbody.

BMAPs are:

- Developed with stakeholder input.
- Adopted by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Secretarial Order.
- Enforceable.
- Implemented through a phased approach.
- Reported on annually.
- Updated regularly.



KEY BMAP COMPONENTS

- Total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) being addressed.
- Area addressed by the restoration plan.
- Identify sources.
- Phased implementation approach.
- Milestones.
- Projects and management strategies.
- Future growth impacts.

Projects to meet the TMDL:

- Implementation timeline.
- Commitment to projects.
- Expected water quality improvement from projects and management strategies.

Process to assess progress toward achieving the TMDL:

- Monitoring plan.
- Project reporting.
- Periodic follow-up meetings.
- Water quality analyses.

STAKEHOLDERS

Local Governments:

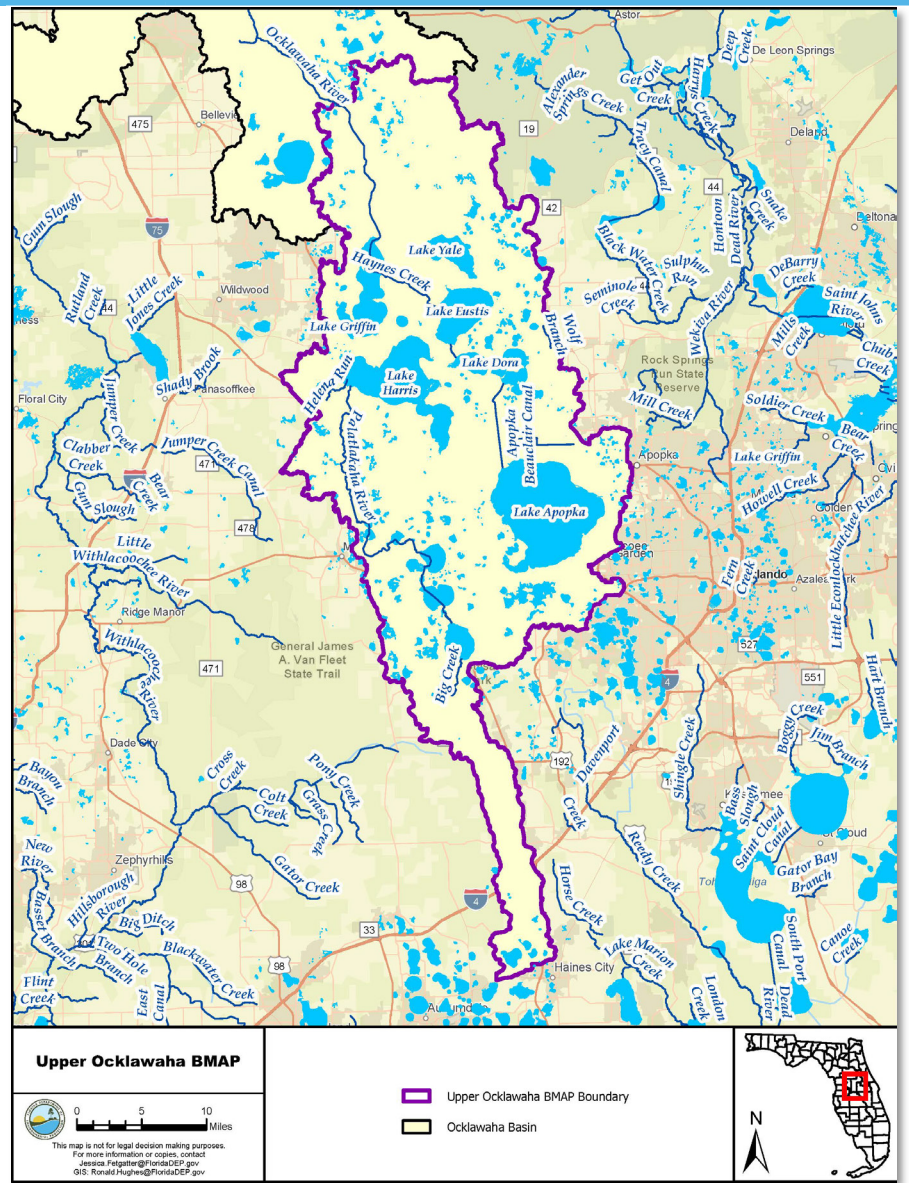
- Lake County.
- Lake County Water Authority.
- Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District.
- Marion County.
- Orange County.
- Polk County.

- Apopka.
- Astatula.
- Clermont.
- Eustis.
- Fruitland Park.
- Groveland.
- Howey-in-the-Hills.
- Lady Lake.
- Leesburg.
- Mascotte.
- Minneola.
- Montverde.
- Mount Dora.
- Tavares.
- Umatilla.
- Winter Garden.
- Oakland.
- Ocoee.
- Wildwood.

Regional and State Agencies:

- SJRWMD.
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
- Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS).
- Florida Department of Transportation (DOT), District 5.
- DEP – Central District and Tallahassee.
- Florida Department of Health in Lake County.
- Florida Turnpike Enterprise.
- Central Florida Expressway Authority.

BACKGROUND

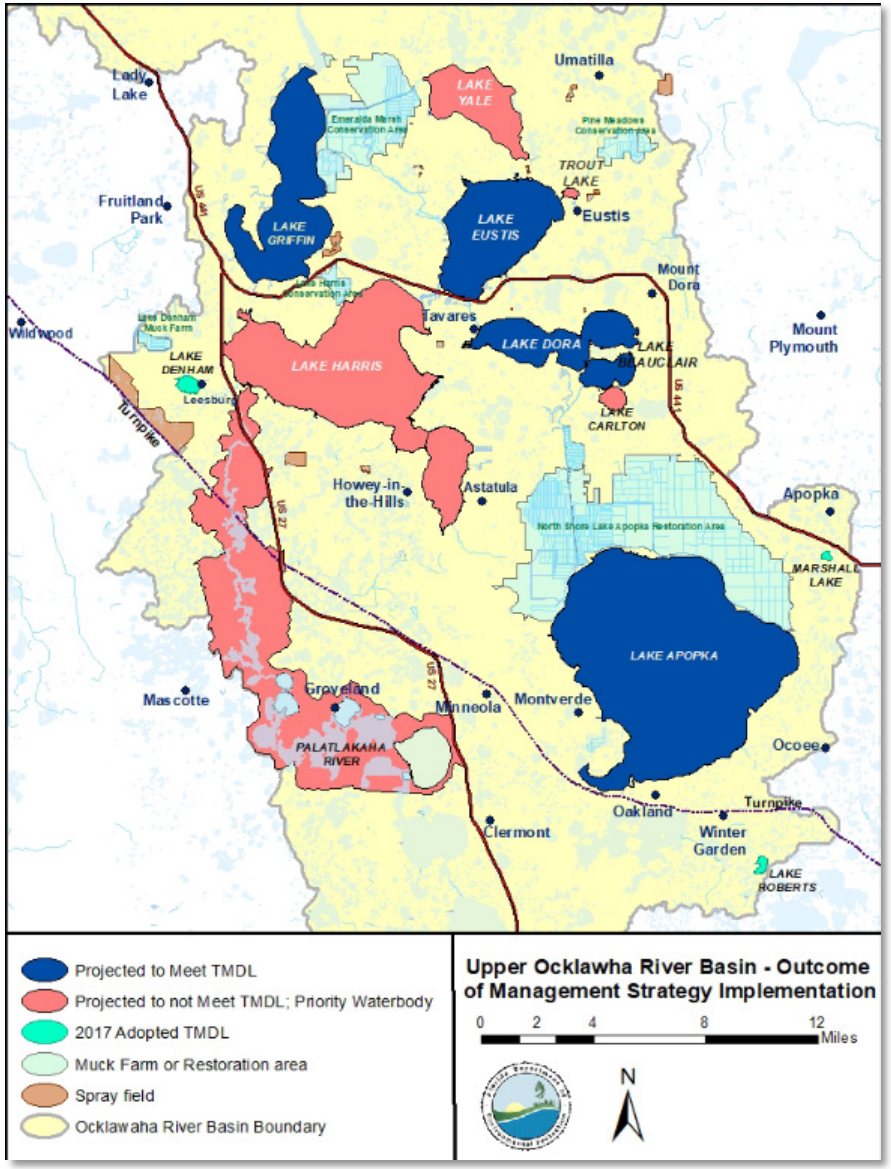


Upper Ocklawaha BMAP:

- 2007: Initial adoption.
- 2014: Phase 2.
- 2019: Amendment adoption.
- 2025: BMAP update.
- **2027: 20-year milestone.**

BACKGROUND

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS (TP) AND TOTAL NITROGEN (TN)



Upper Ocklawaha Target Concentrations		
Waterbody	TP (mg/L)	TN (mg/L)
Apopka	0.055	
Beauclair	0.032	
Carlton	0.032	
Denham	0.04	1.1
Dora	0.031	
Eustis	0.025	
Griffin	0.032	
Harris	0.026	
Marshall	0.037	0.9
Palatlakaha	0.12*	1.54*
Roberts	0.044	1.02
Trout	0.028	0.78
Yale	0.02	

*Numeric Nutrient Criteria (NNC)

CLEAN WATERWAYS ACT: TIMELINE

June 12, 2023

Final Order signed by the Secretary.

July 12, 2023

Deadline for written explanation of potential exemption to be submitted to the department.

Feb. 1, 2024

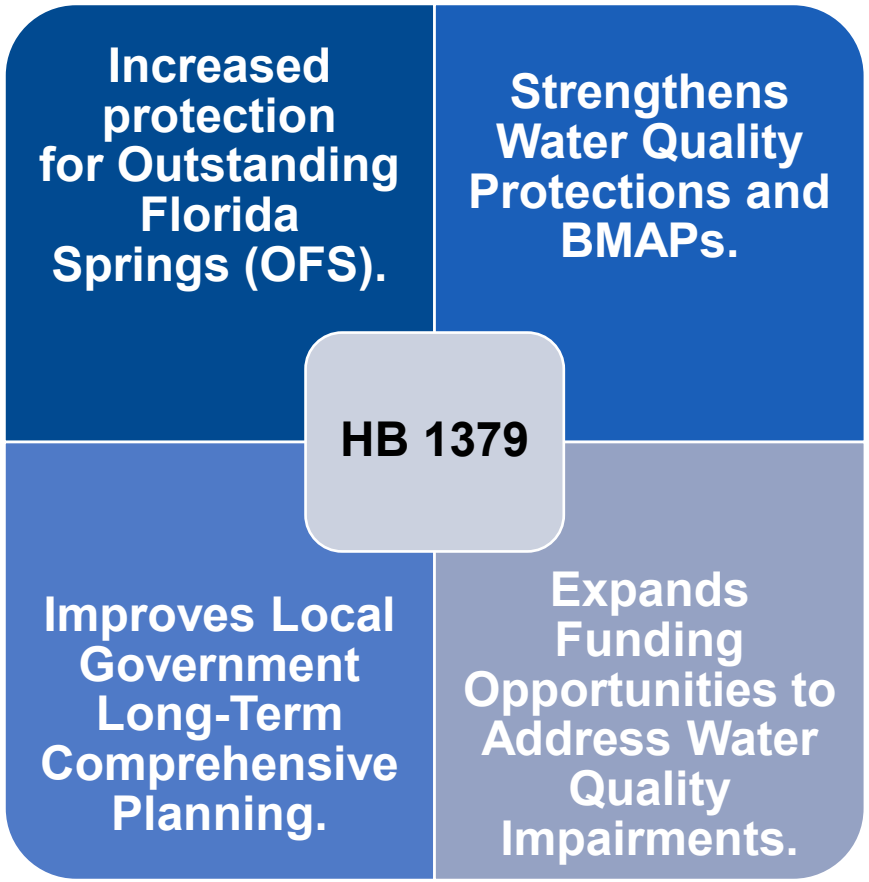
Deadline for submitting draft onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems (OSTDS) remediation and/or wastewater treatment plans for the department's review.

Aug. 1, 2024

Deadline for submitting complete OSTDS remediation and/or wastewater treatment plans to the department.

The nutrient BMAPs included in the Final Order require these plans.

HOUSE BILL (HB) 1379: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Strengthen BMAPs:

- Requires a list of identified projects to achieve 5-year milestones.
- Requires a list of agricultural cooperative regional water quality improvement elements.

Improve Comprehensive Planning:

- Requires BMAP projects to be included in comprehensive plans to prioritize implementation.

Improve Domestic Wastewater:

- Requires more stringent wastewater treatment standards, if required to meet the TMDL.

Expand Grant Opportunities.

2024 DEP AGENCY BILL: HB 1557

Advances the protection of our environmental resources by:

Improving Treatment of Reclaimed Water

Ensures that reclaimed water is treated to meet advanced waste treatment (AWT) or a more stringent treatment standard in certain BMAP areas, while still promoting its use to eliminate surface water discharges and meet water supply challenges.

Expanding Wastewater Facility Plans

Supports the development of domestic wastewater treatment plans and OSTDS remediation plans within BMAP or other restoration areas by requiring facilities to provide information to the local entities developing these plans.

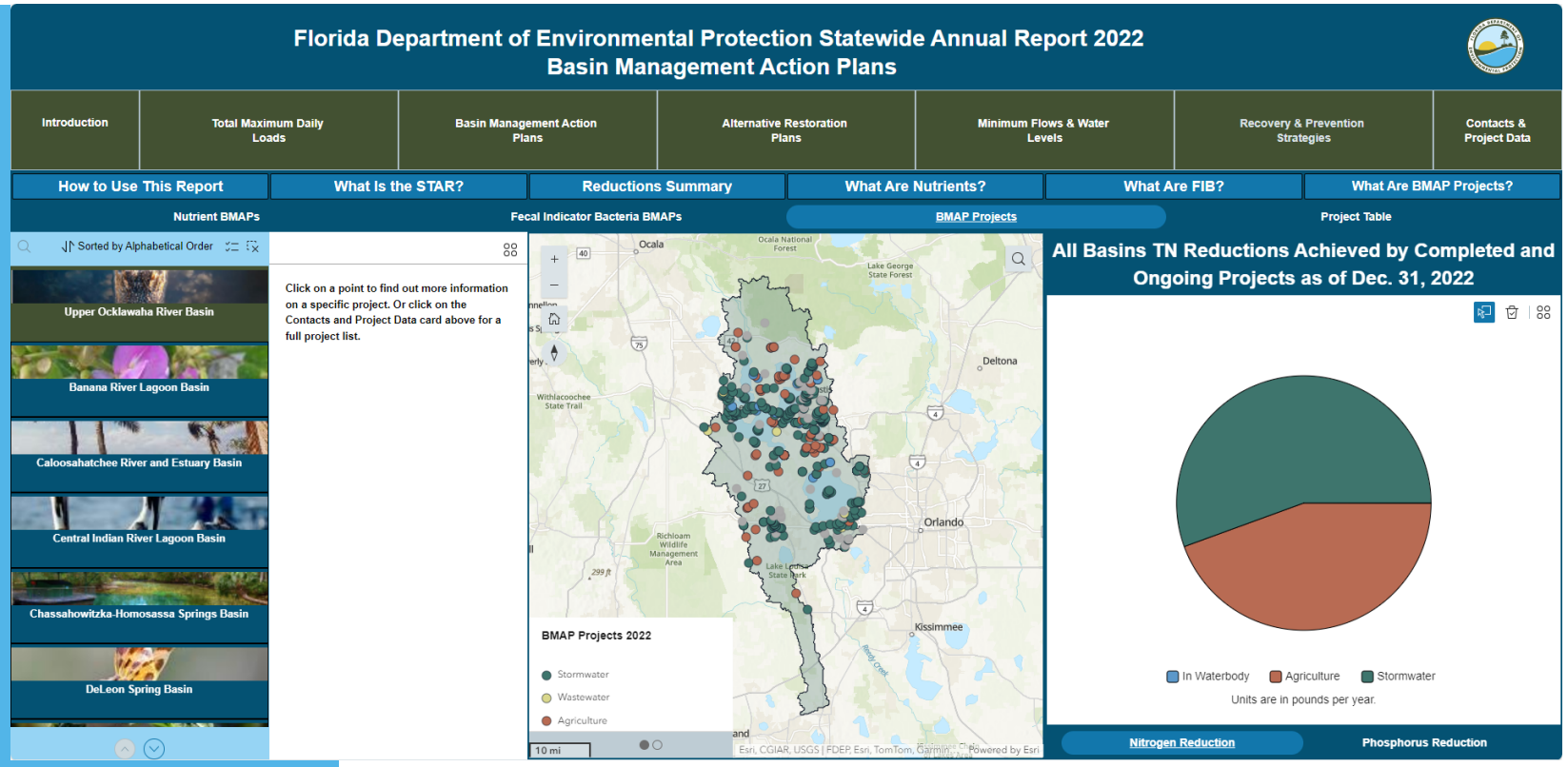
Investing in Innovative Technologies

Creates a program to expeditiously review new and innovative enhanced nutrient-reducing OSTDS to reduce the nutrients entering Florida's waterways.

STAR
PROJECT REPORTING

What is the STAR?

- Summarizes accomplishments in the BMAPs statewide.
- Reports on restoration projects and management strategies.
- Published July 1 of each year.
- Currently in the process of project updates and verification for STAR 2023.



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STAR

*PRELIMINARY 2023 STATUS OF PROJECTS

Entity	Completed	Ongoing	Planned	Underway	Total
City of Apopka	3	6			9
City of Clermont	8	3	4	1	17
City of Eustis	30	9	1	6	47
City of Fruitland Park	2	2		1	5
City of Groveland	4	2			6
City of Leesburg	16	6	2	2	29
City of Minneola	3	2			5
City of Mount Dora	24	3			28
City of Ocoee	9	1		1	12
City of Tavares	5	6			11
City of Umatilla	8	4		1	16
City of Wildwood		1			1
City of Winter Garden	7	2	1	1	11
DEP	1				1
FDACS	14	15			30
FDOT District 5	46	20			67
Howey-in-the Hills	2	1		1	4
Lake County	56	28	4		92
LCWA	7	1	1	2	12
Marion County	1	5		1	7
Orange County	18	11		5	36
SJRWMD	75	1	2	10	88
Town of Lady Lake	2	6			8
Town of Montverde		3			3
Central Florida Expressway	2				2
Total	**343**	**138**	**15**	**32**	**528**

As of Dec. 31, 2023, verified projects in the Upper Ocklawaha BMAP have reduced **177,932 lbs./yr.** of TP and **77,017 lbs./yr.** of TN.

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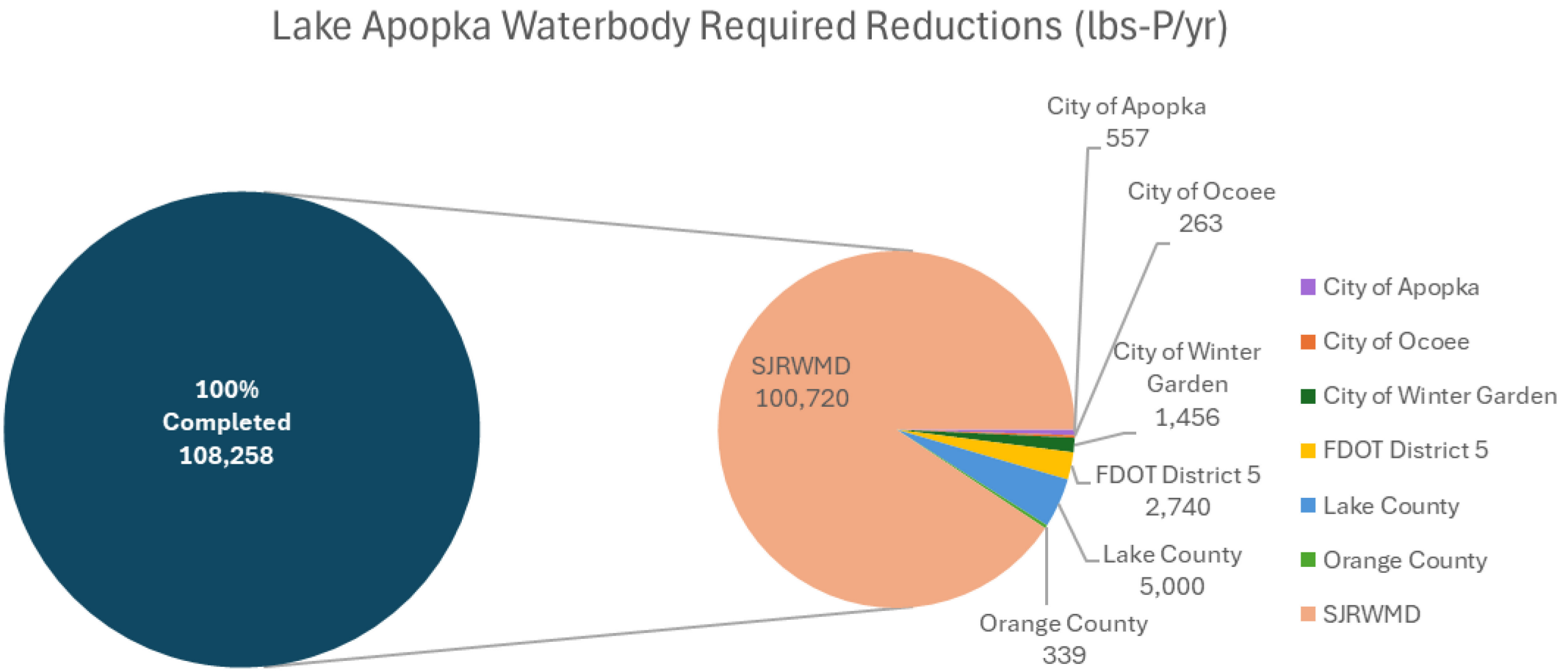

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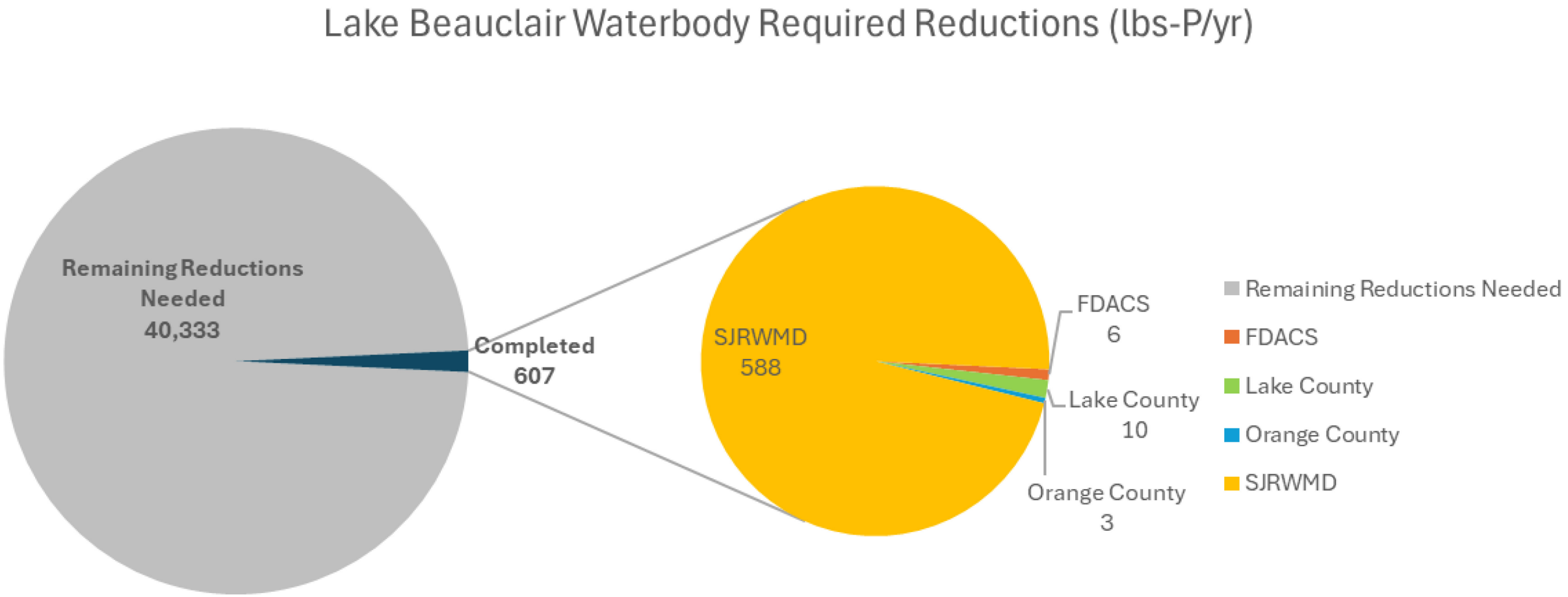

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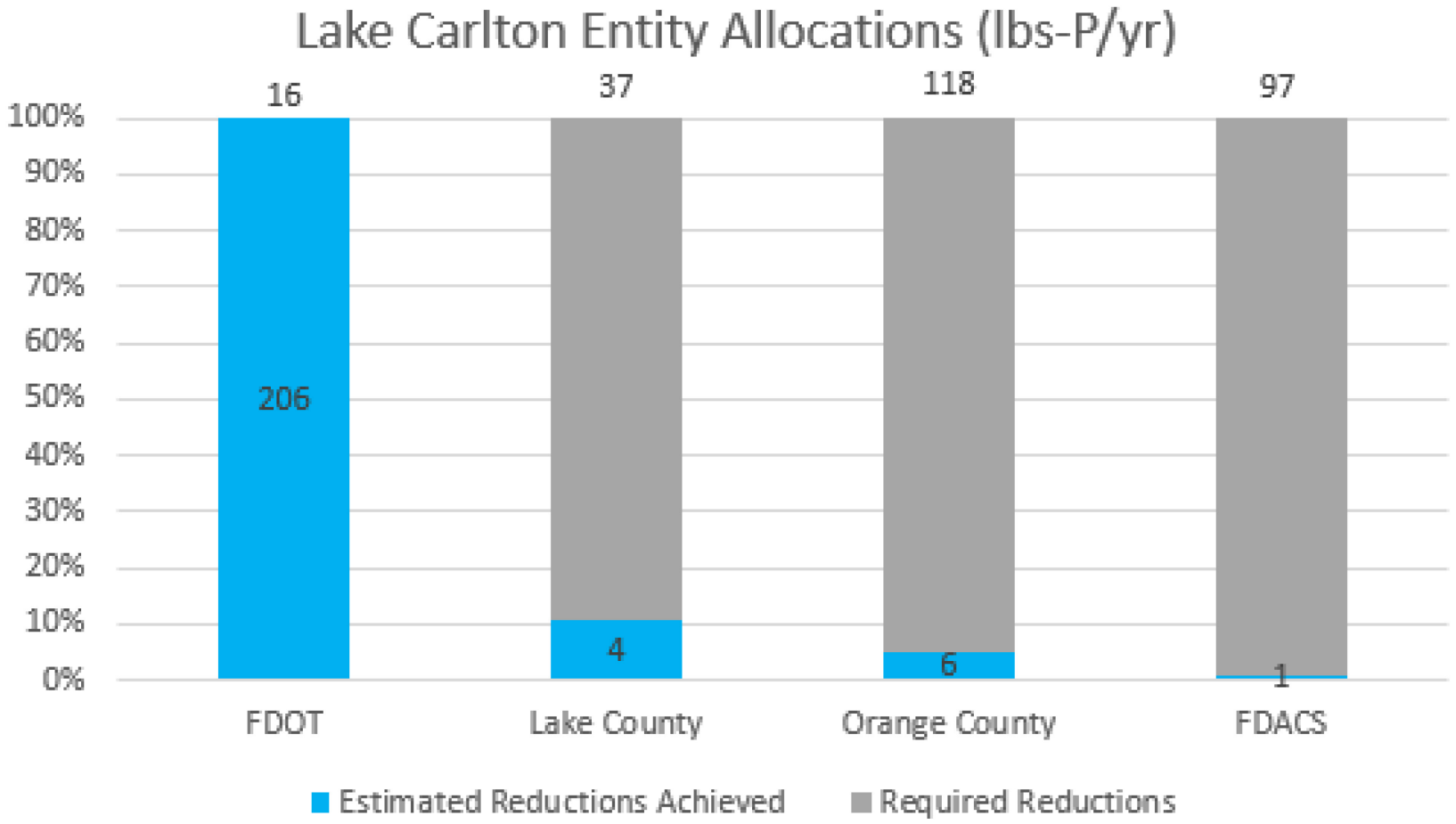

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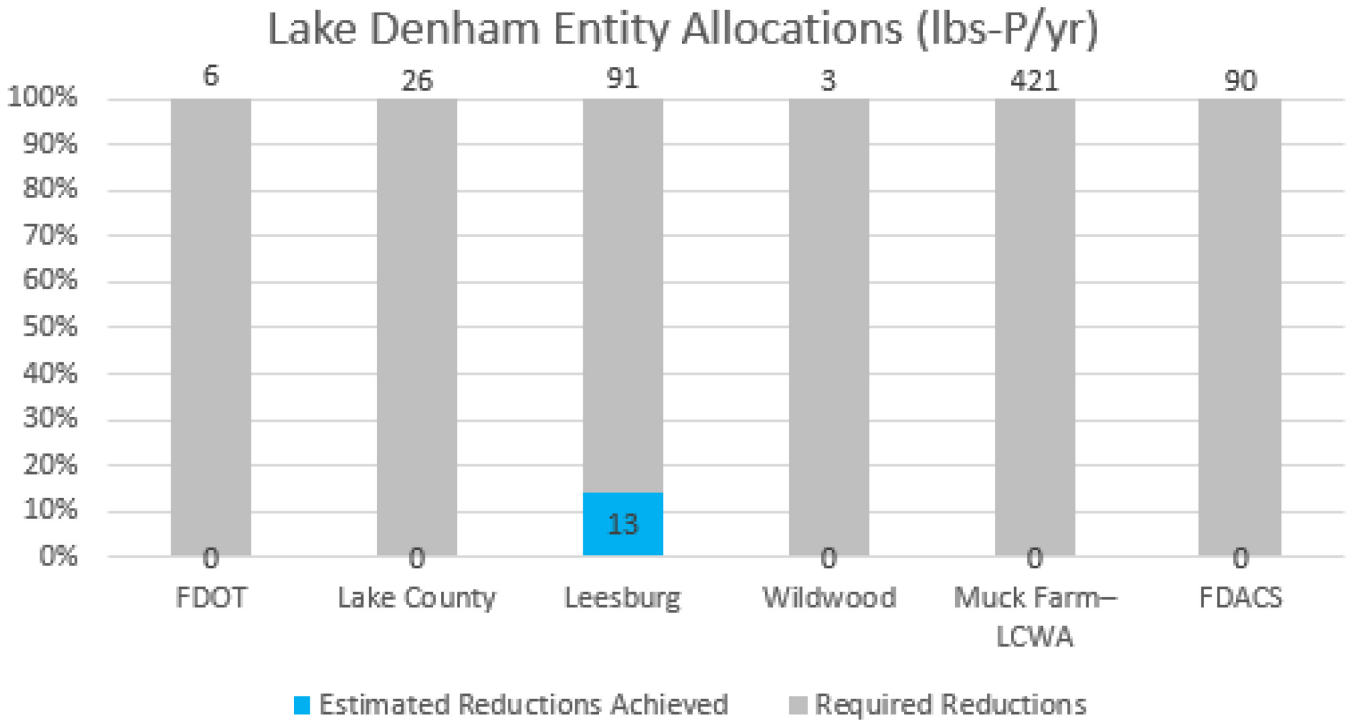

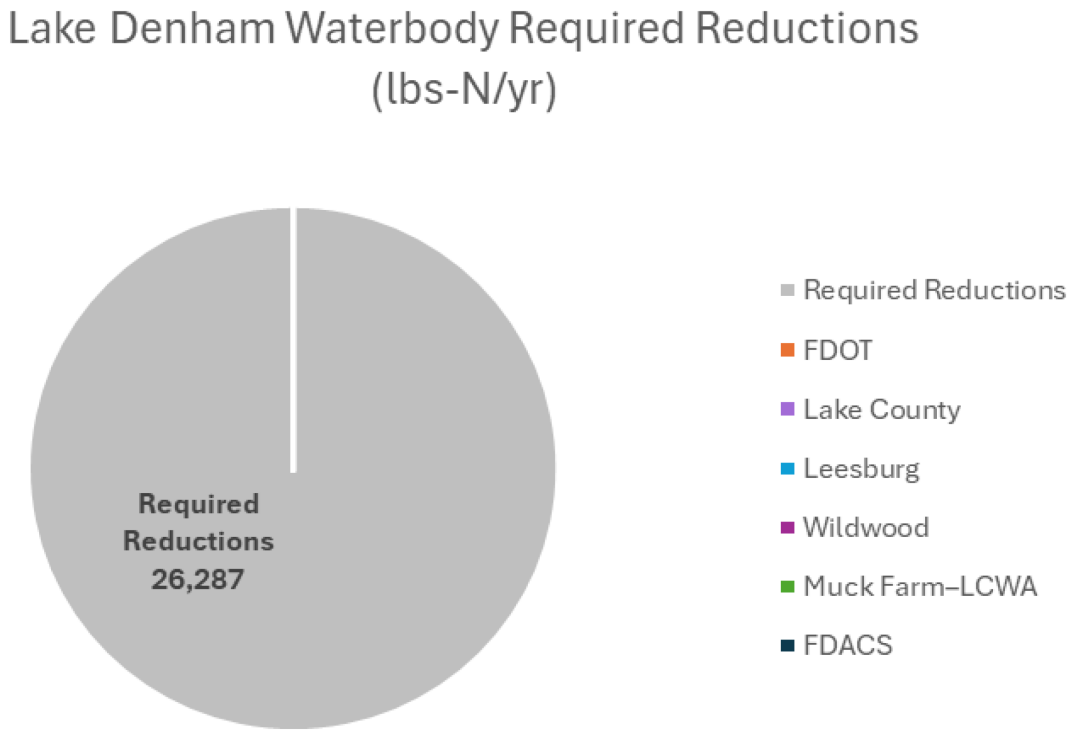

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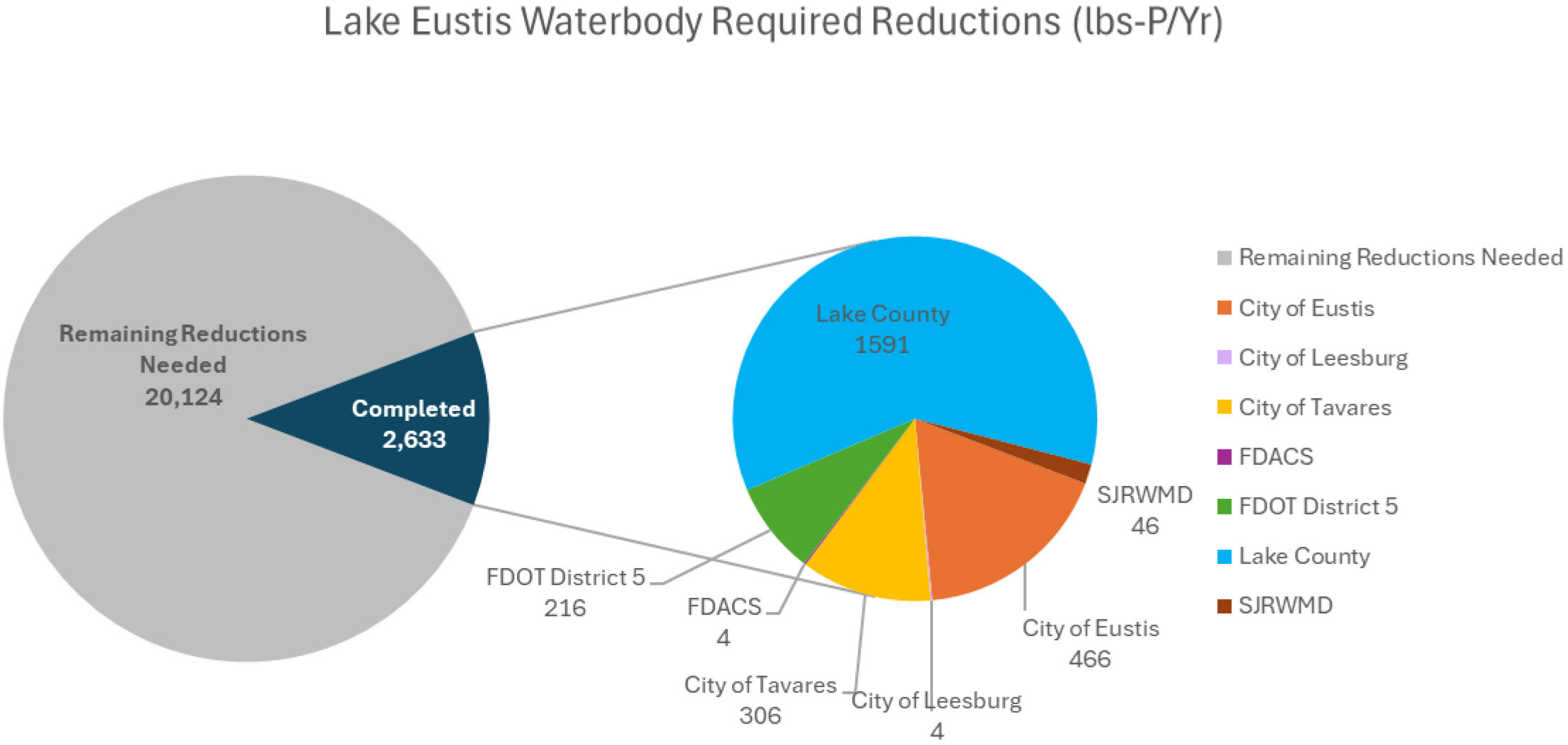

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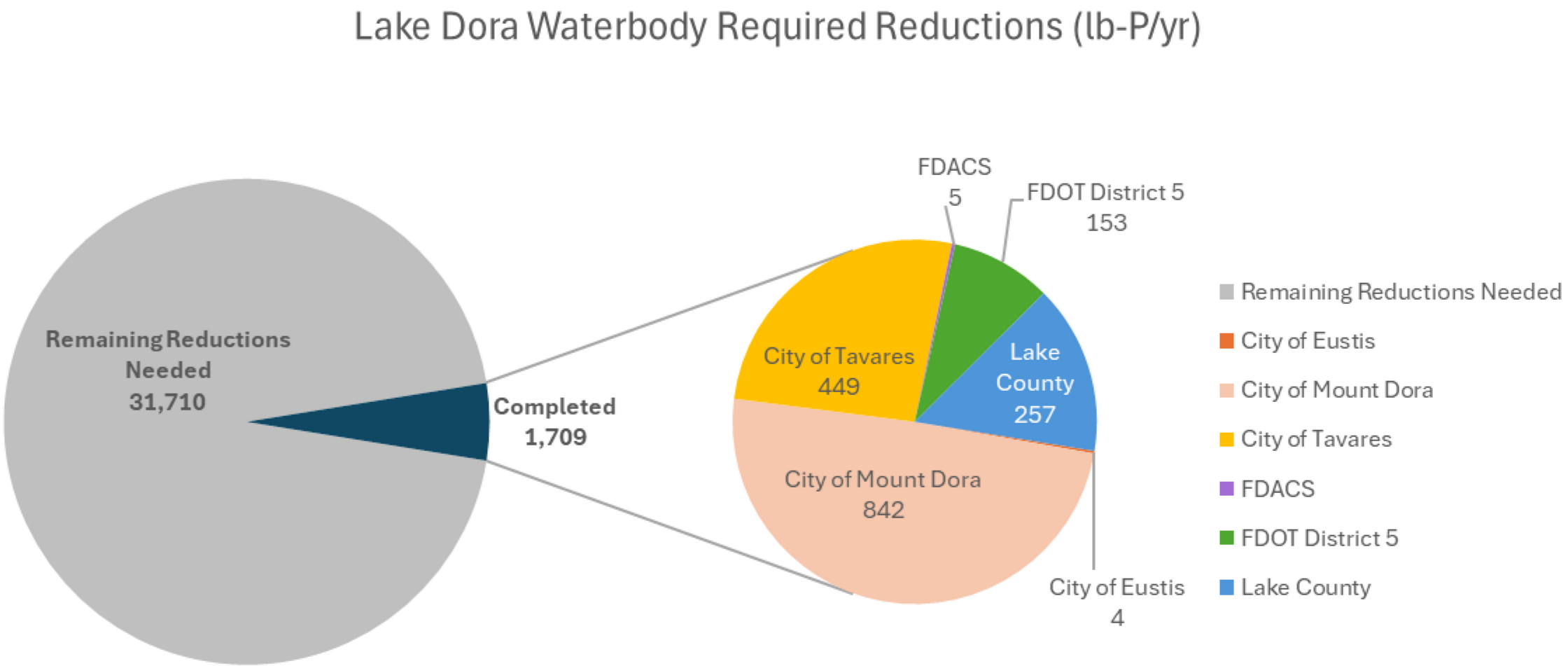

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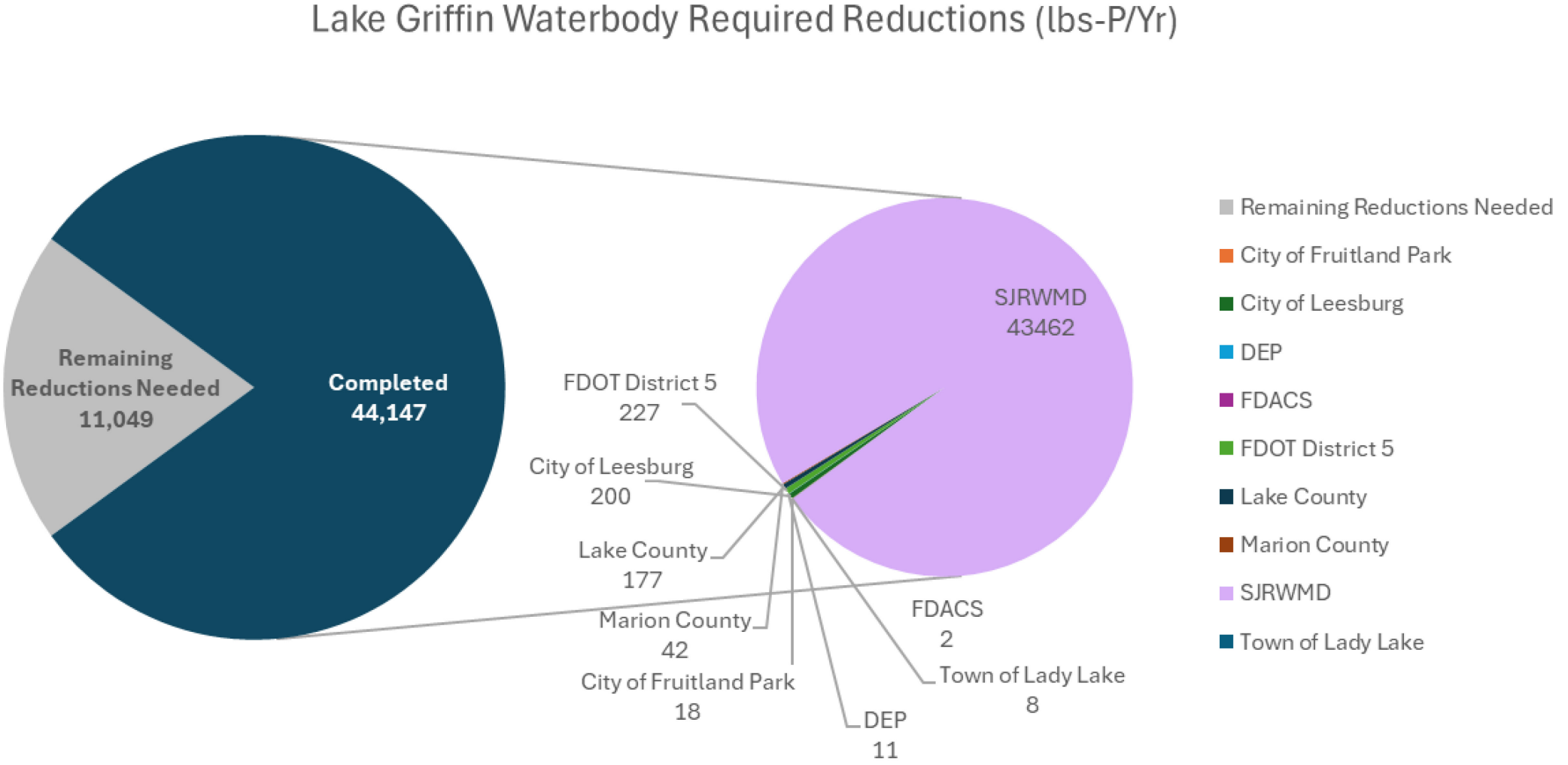

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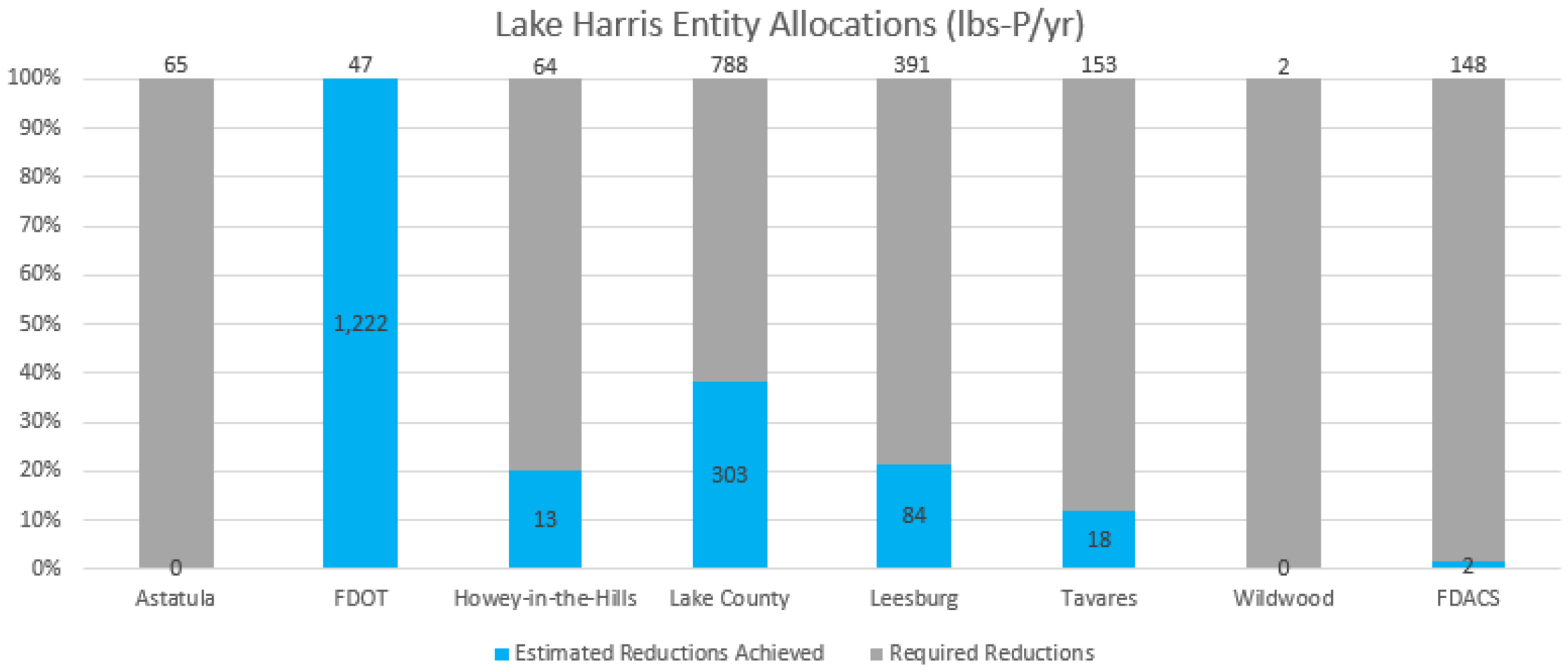

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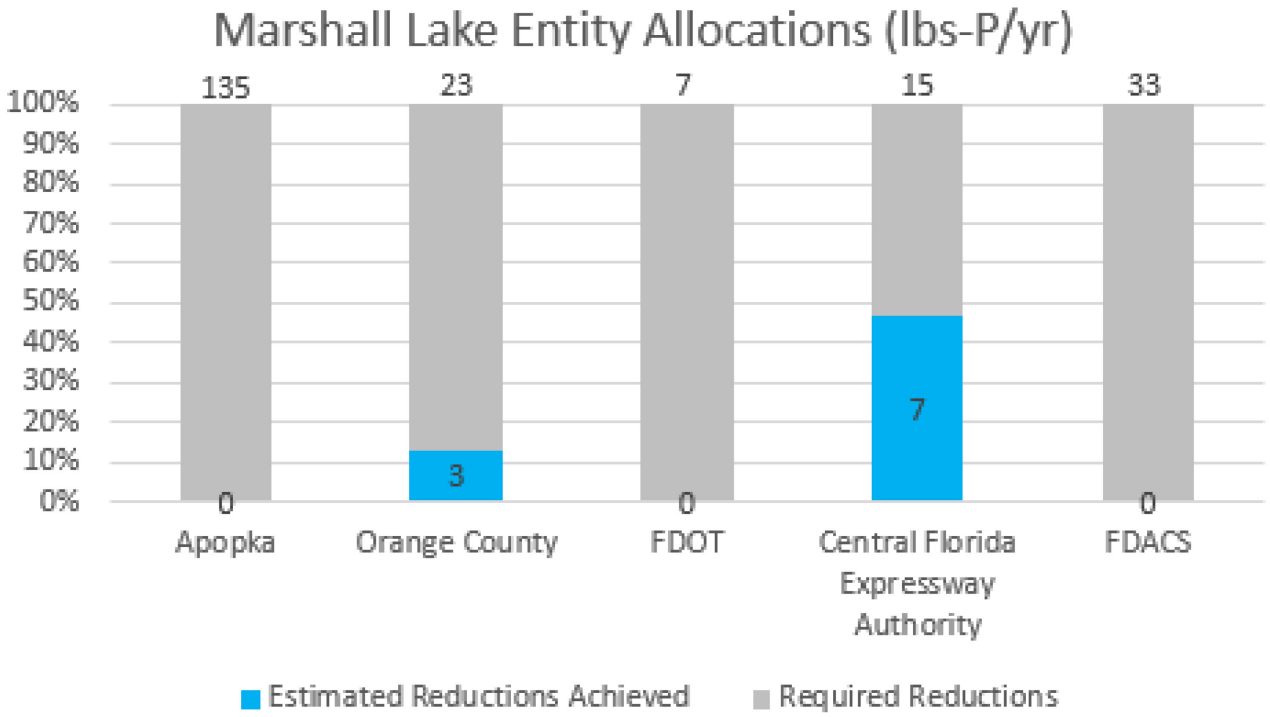

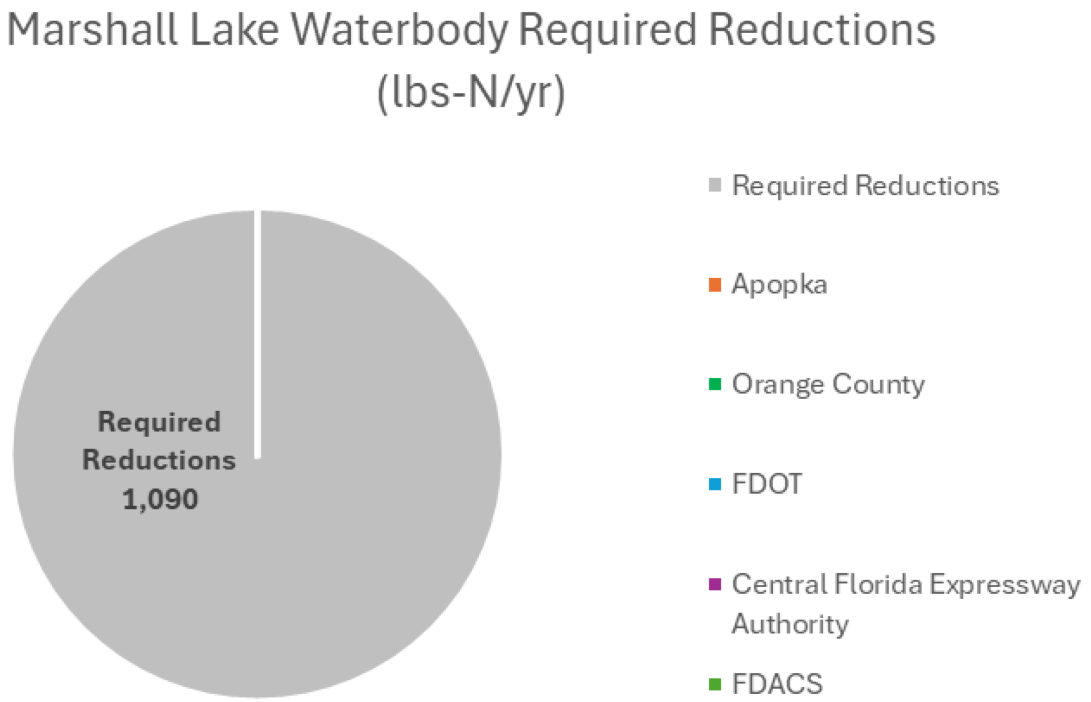

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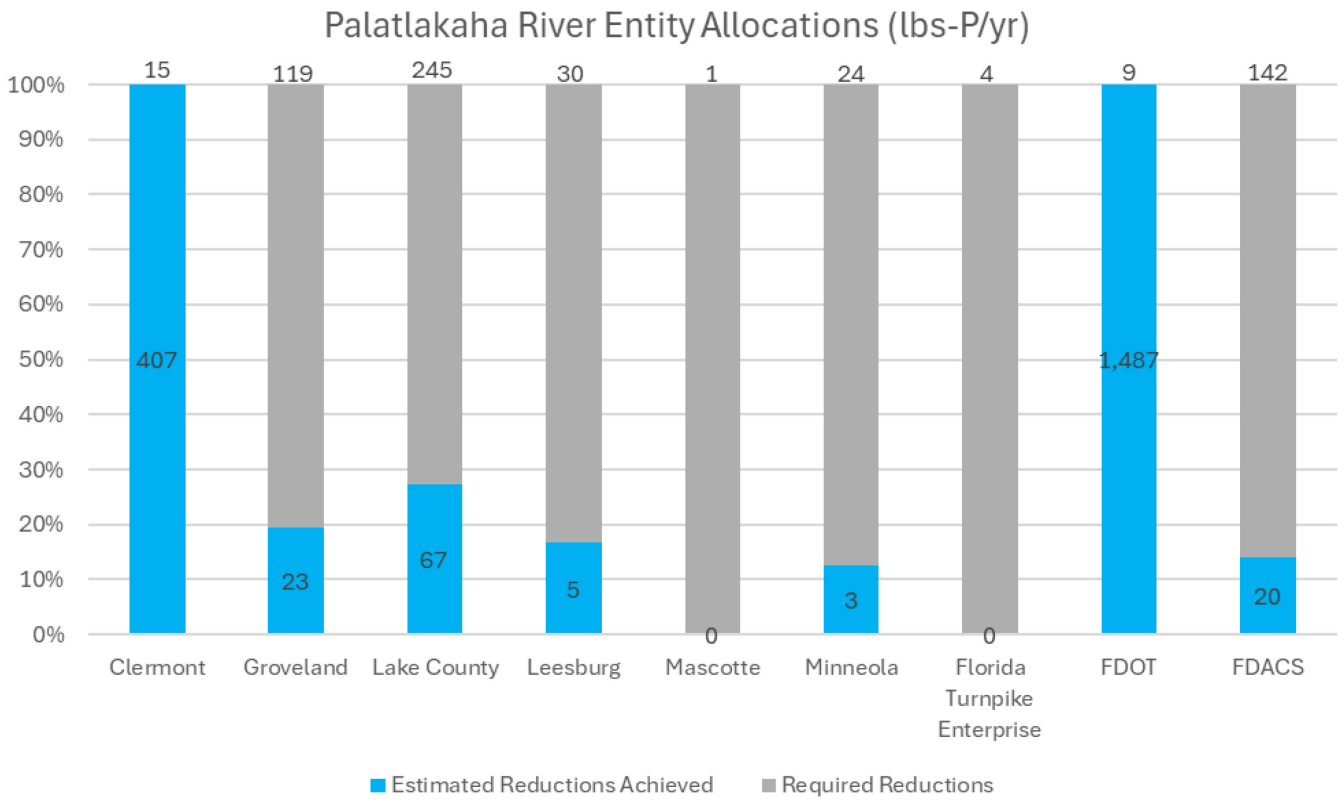

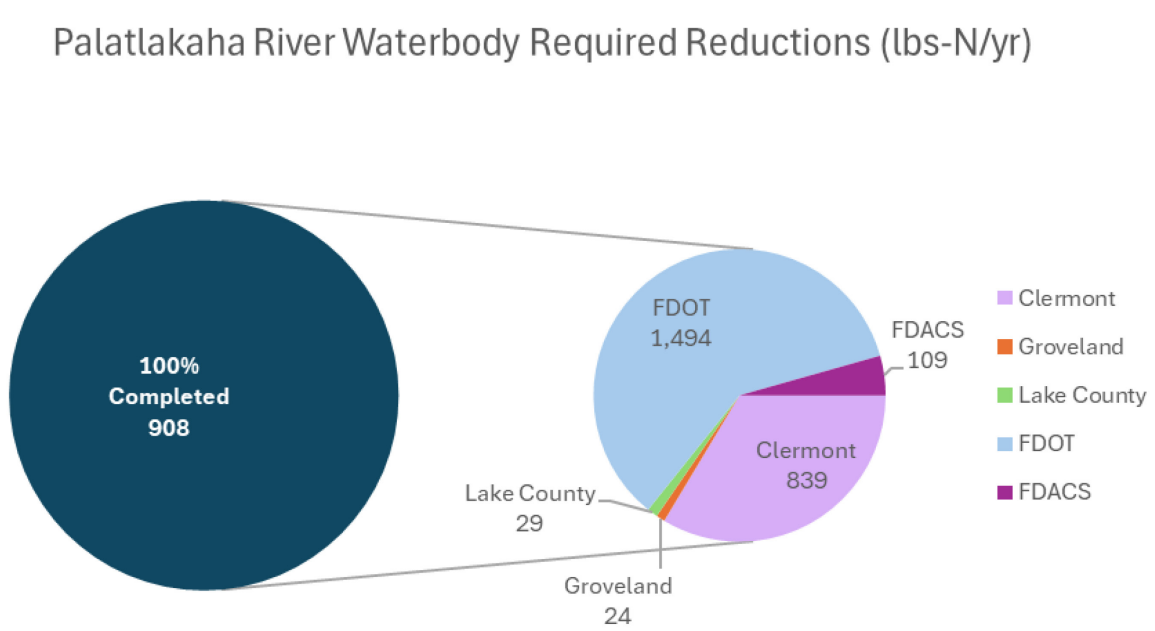

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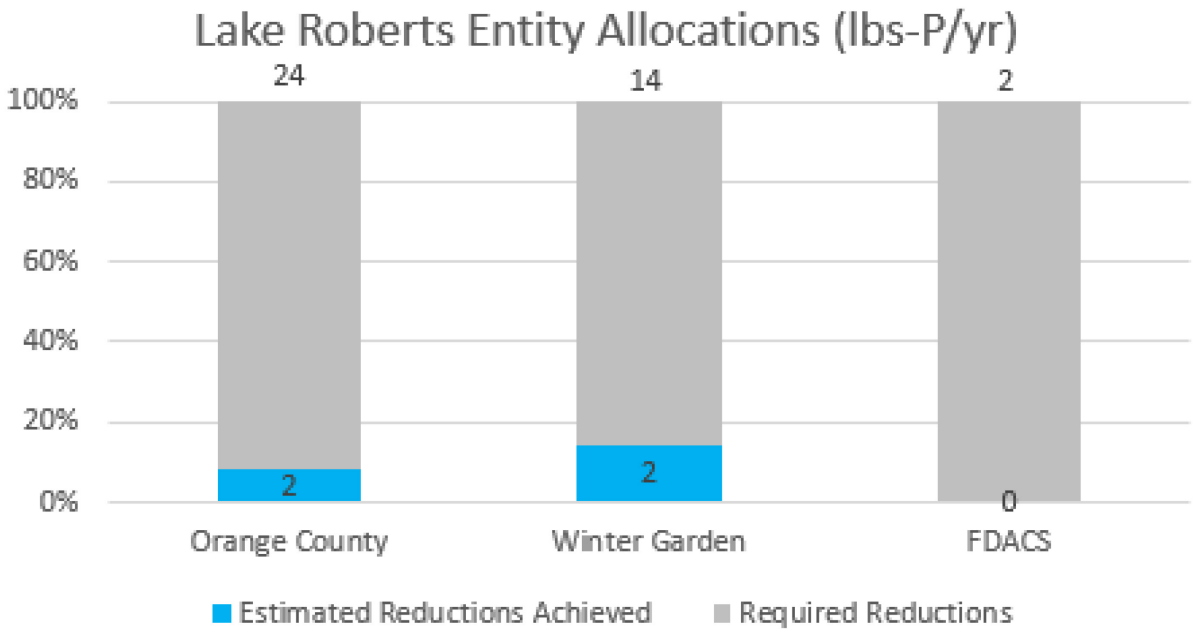

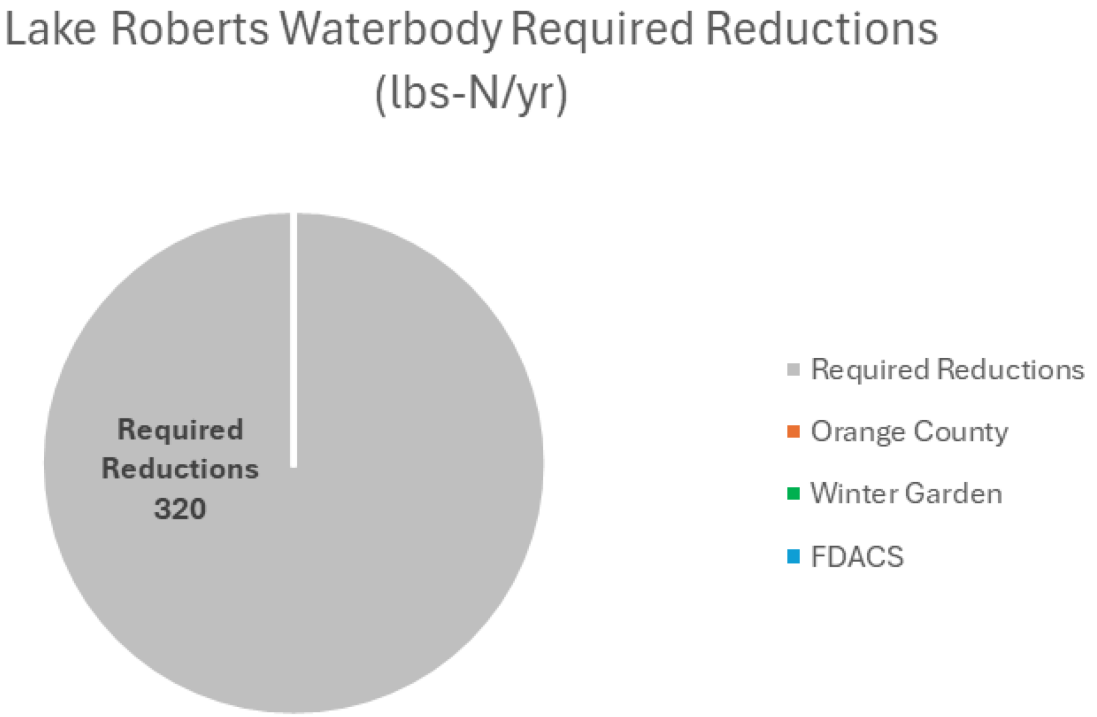

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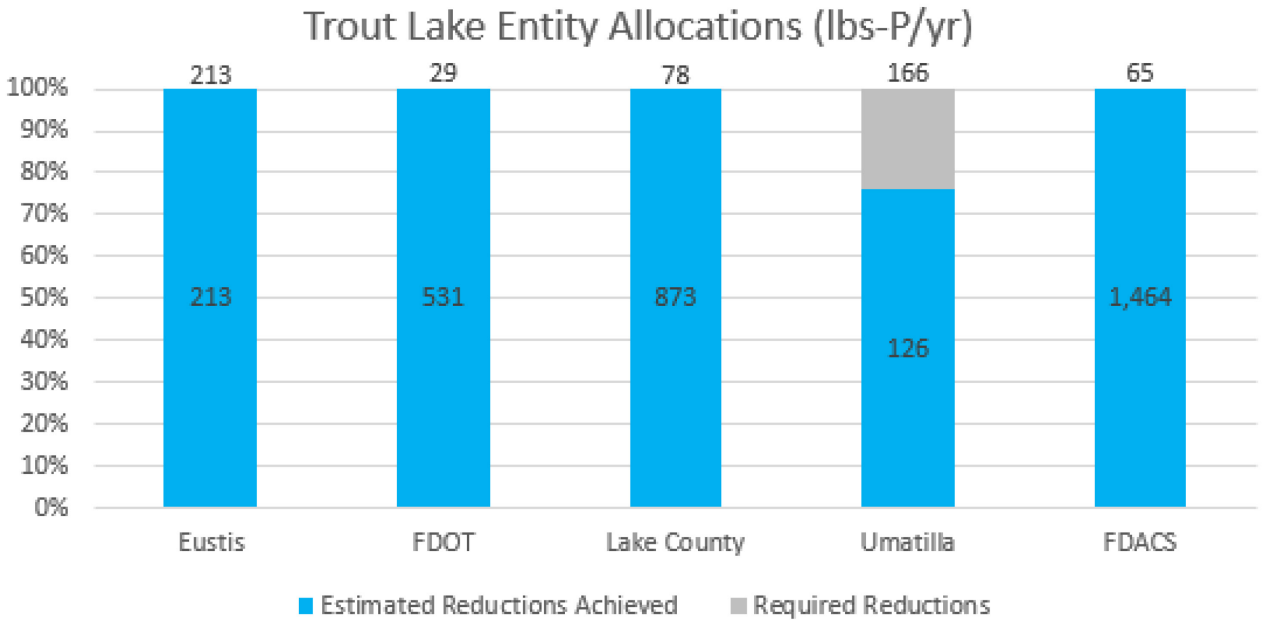

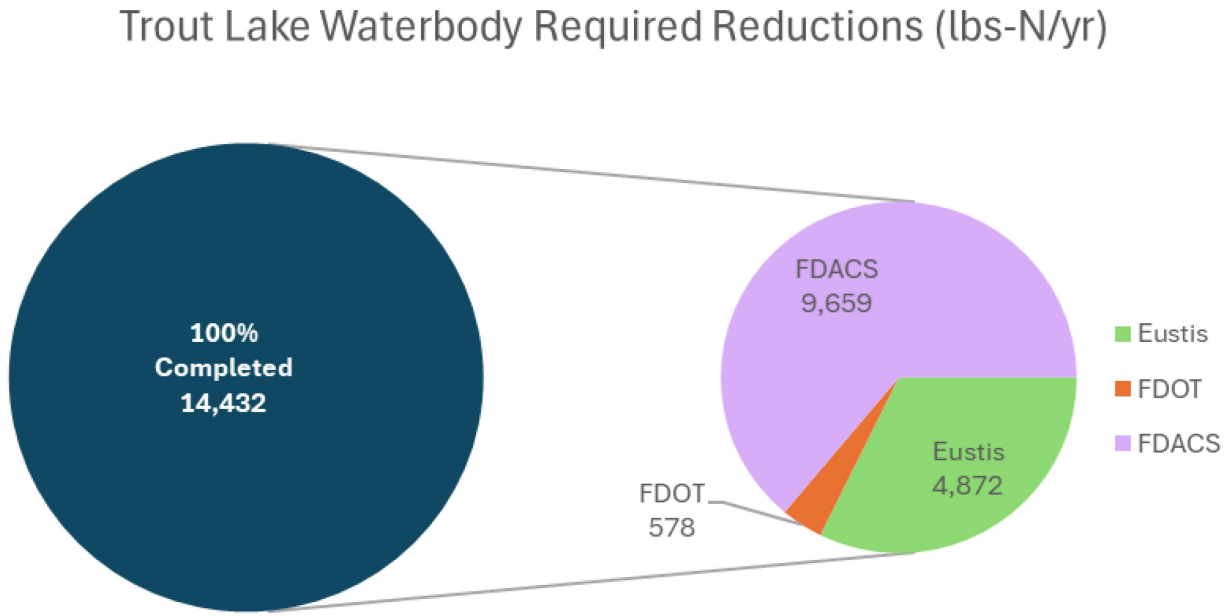

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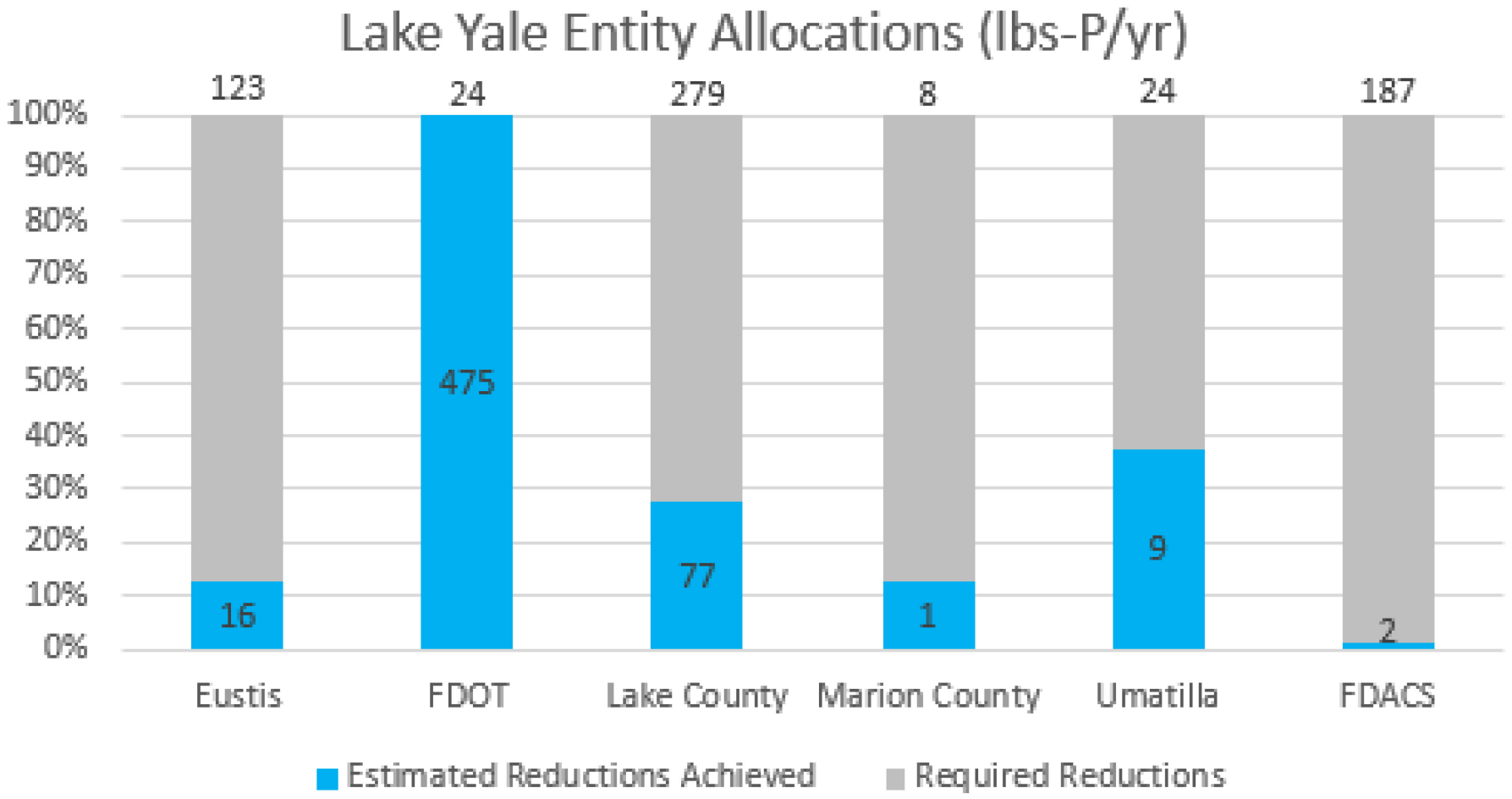

PROGRESS

OTHER REDUCTION CONTRIBUTIONS

Upper Ocklawaha BMAP	
TP (lbs-P./yr.)	TN (lbs-N./yr.)
10,997	18,520

DATA UPLOAD
WATERSHED INFORMATION NETWORK (WIN)

- Through both WIN and Florida STORET (STOrage and RETrieval) data repositories, DEP implements Florida statutory requirements, DEP rule requirements and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funding requirements for management of environmental (non-regulatory) data for the state.

- Data from WIN are used by DEP for standards development, Impaired Waters Rule assessments, TMDL development, reasonable assurance plans, alternative restoration plans, **BMAP development and assessment** and for providing data as required to EPA and to the public.

- WIN data can be retrieved through the WIN Reports and Extracts menu at https://prodenv.dep.state.fl.us/DearWin/.

- Data providers to WIN and STORET include Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration and other DEP entities, water management districts (WMDs), cities, counties, other state agencies, universities, private and volunteer organizations.

- If your entity is collecting ambient water quality data, please upload it to WIN.

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Nutrient loading and water quality in 11 Upper Ocklawaha River Basin lakes

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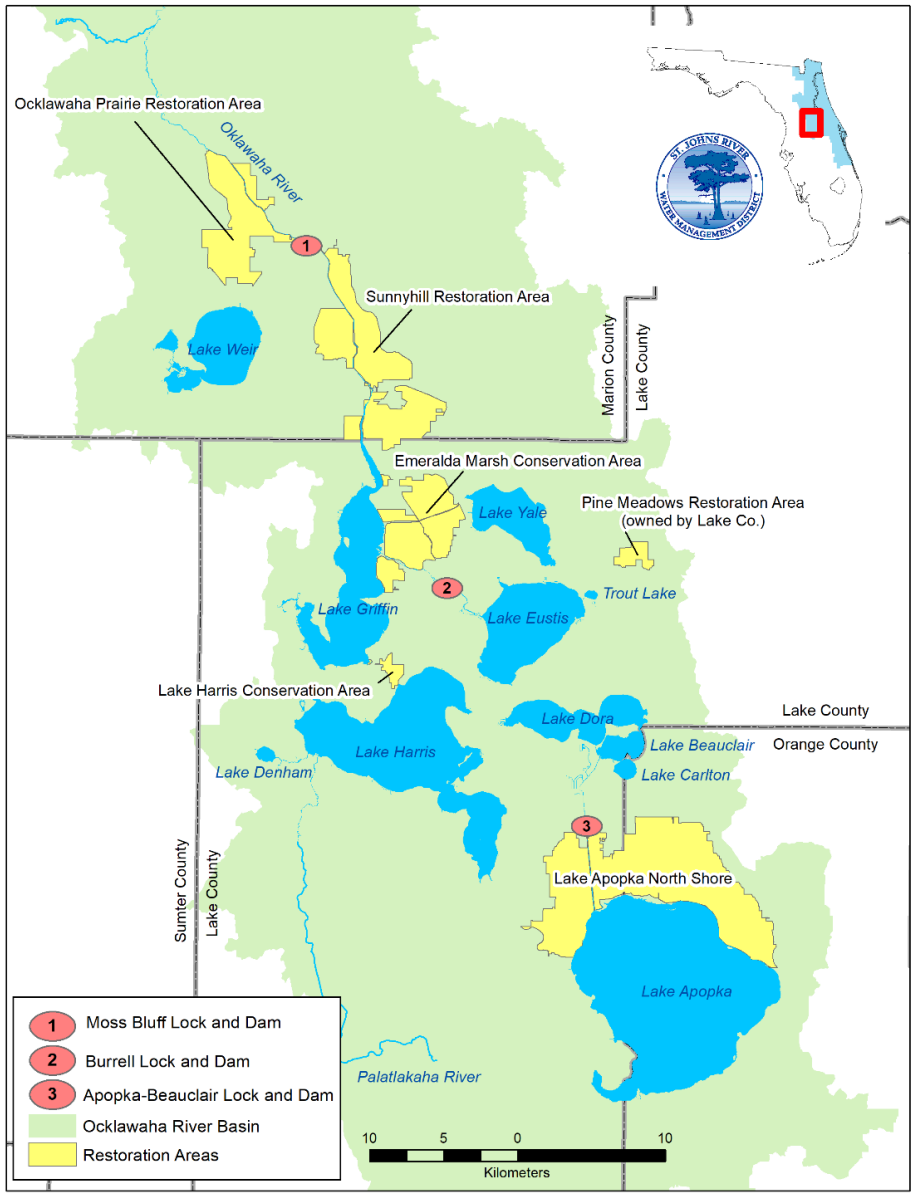
Upper Ocklawaha River Basin (UORB) TMDL Lakes and Restoration Areas

Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN) annual loading calculation and monthly water quality monitoring

- Apopka
- Beauclair
- Carlton
- Dora
- Eustis
- Harris
- Griffin
- Yale
- Weir

Monthly water quality monitoring only

- Denham
- Trout



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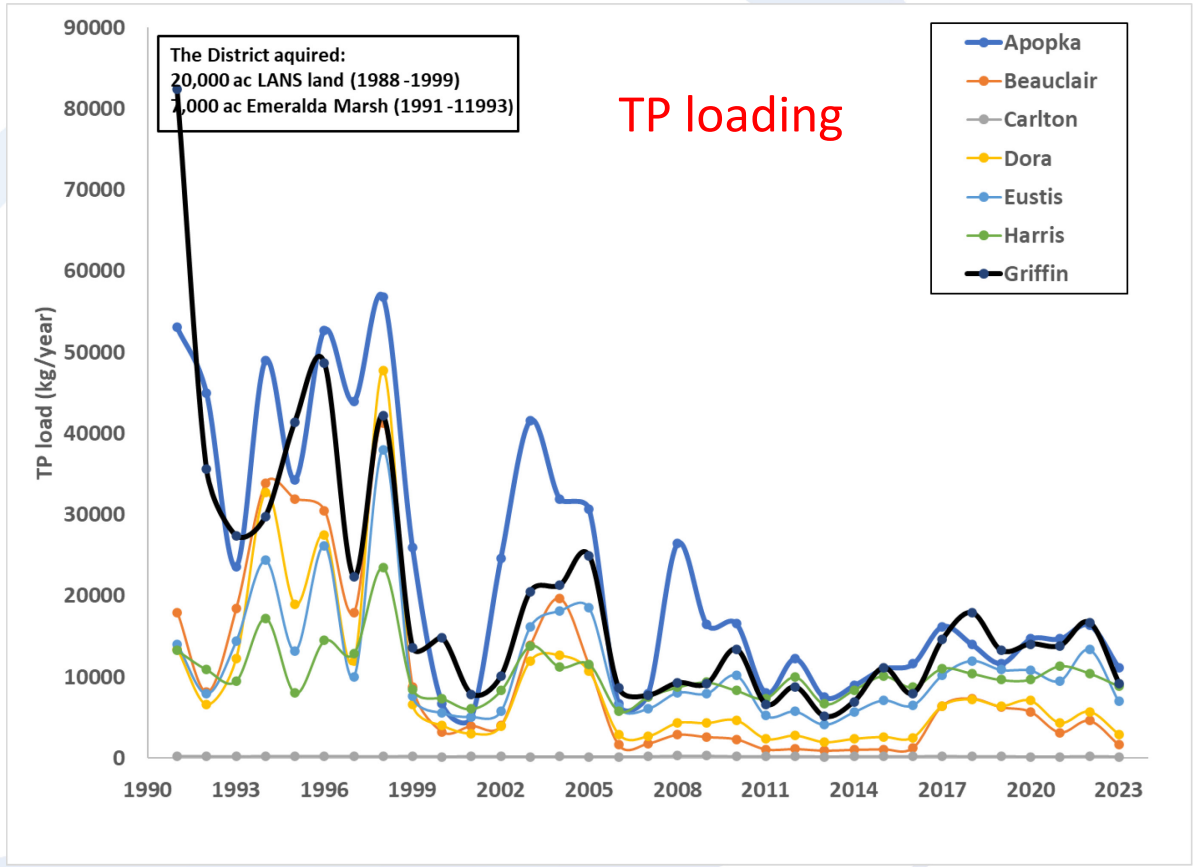
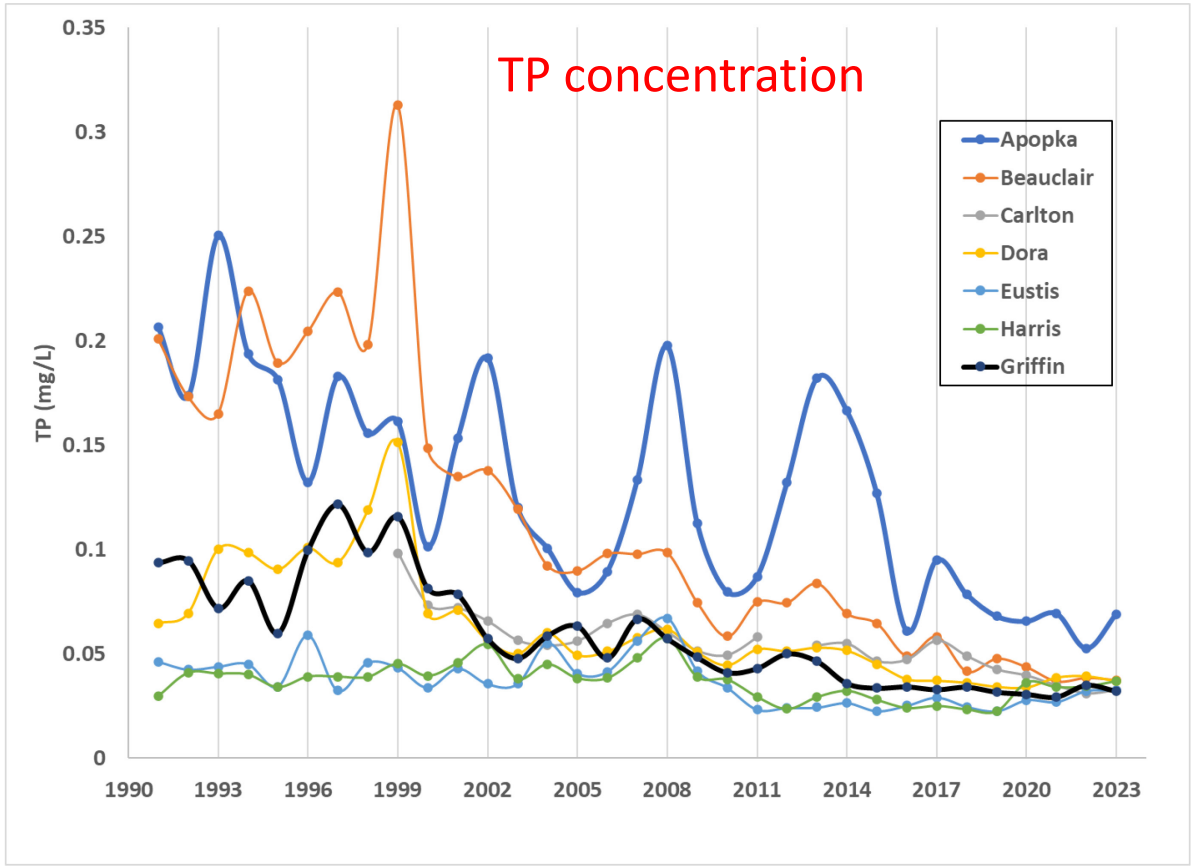
TP loads and concentrations





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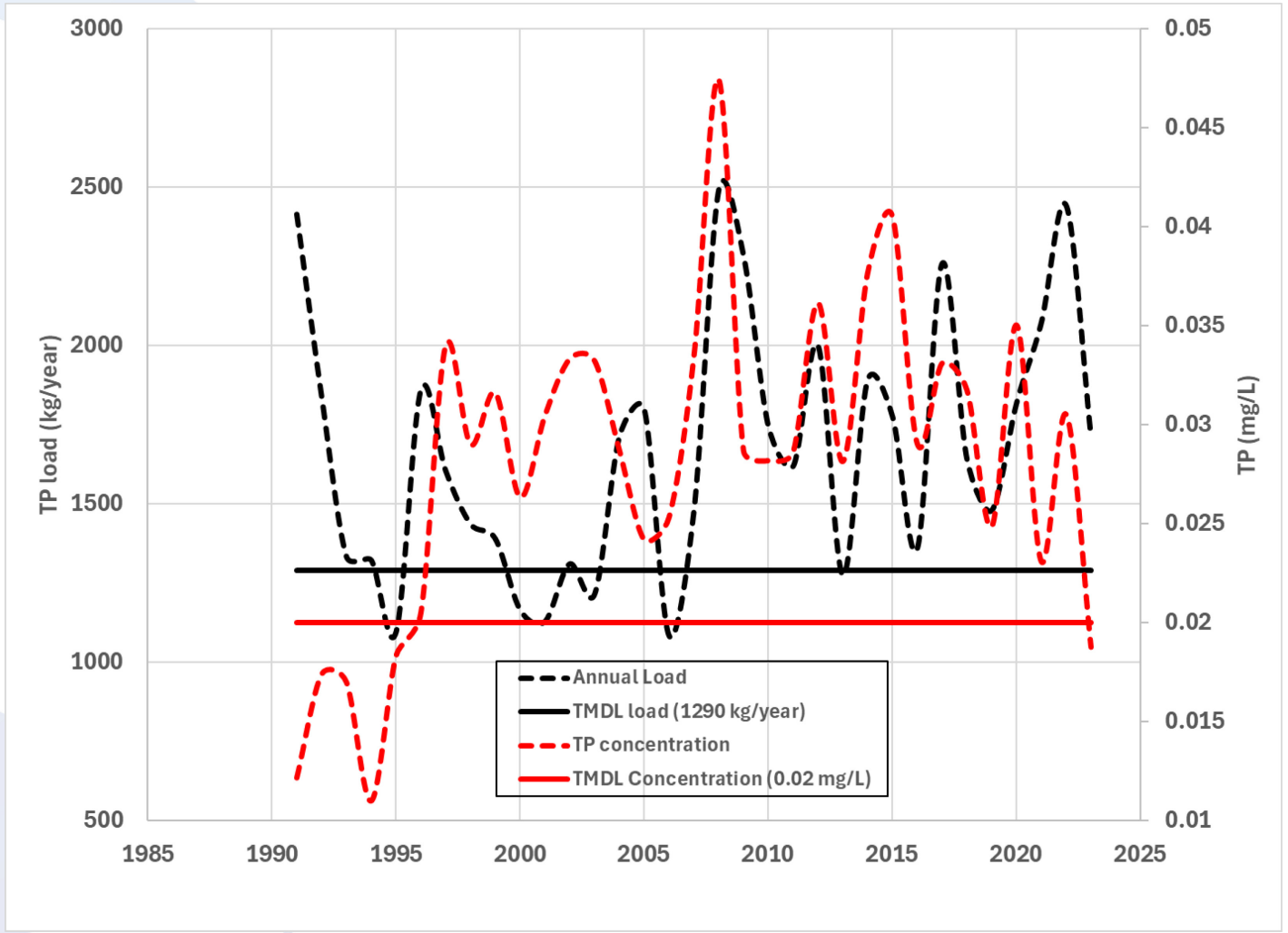
Lake Yale TP concentration and load



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Lake Weir TP concentration and load

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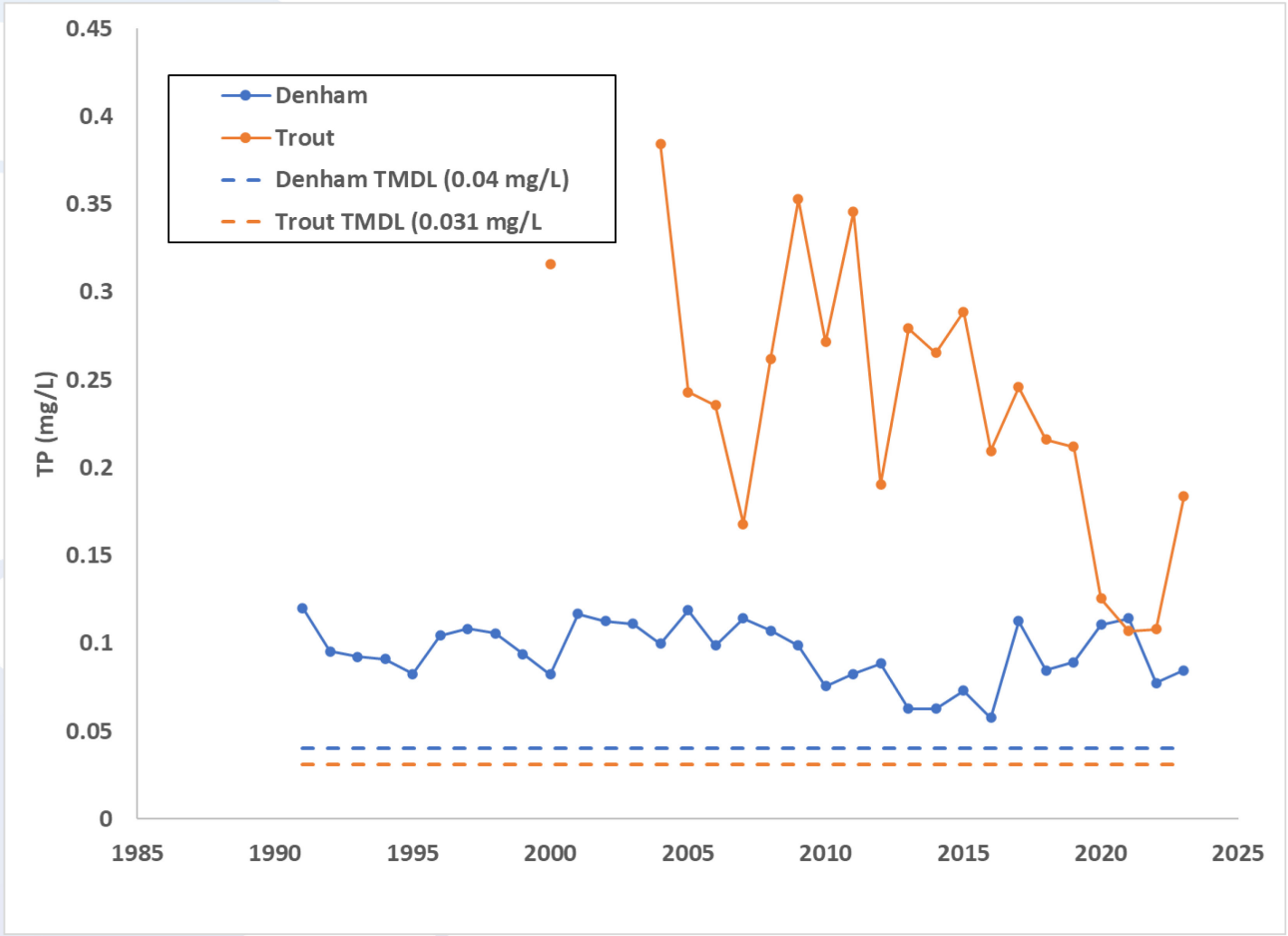
TP concentration in Lake Denham and Trout Lake



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TP loading to the UORB lakes and their TMDL loading targets

	TP annual loading (kg/year)		
Lake	TMDL	2023	2019-2023 average
Apopka	15,900	11,090	13,691
Beauclair	3,200	1,650	4,264
Carlton	88	171	180
Dora	6,000	2,914	5,274
Eustis	9,200	6,985	10,310
Griffin	12,200	9,169	13,596
Harris	8,300	8,878	9,994
Weir	1,667	1,629	1,784
Yale	1,290	1,713	1,905

Green number indicates met TMDL loading target

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TP concentrations in UORB lakes and their TMDL targets

	TP concentration (µg/L)			Met TMDLs loading based on recent 5 years average
Lake	TMDL	2023	2019-2023 average	
Apopka	55	69	65	Yes
Beaclair	32	37	41	No
Carlton	32	33	36	No
Dora	31	37	37	Yes
Eustis	25	32	28	No
Griffin	32	32	32	No
Harris	26	34	33	No
Weir	10	10.7	16	No
Yale	20	19	26	No
Denham	40	85	95	NA
Trou	31	184	147	NA

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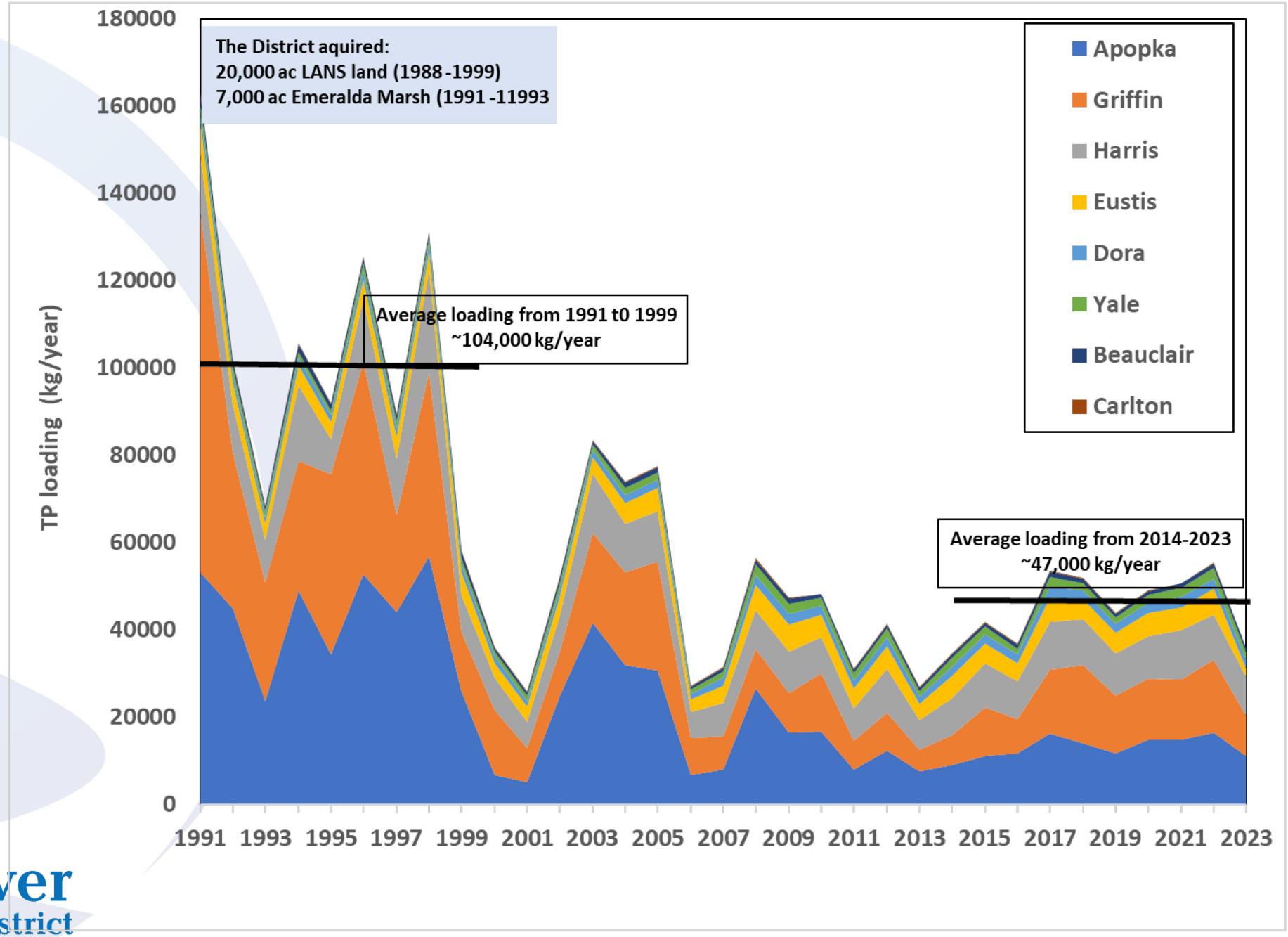
Annual TP loads from watersheds (not including input from upstream lakes



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Top two TP loading sources to UORB lakes in the recent 10 years

	Highest loading source		2nd highest loading source	
Lake	**Source**	**Percent (%)**	**Source**	**Percent (%)**
Apopka	Atomspheric	43	Stormwater Runoff	24
Harris	Atomspheric	34	Stormwater Runoff	31
Weir	Atomspheric	62	Stormwater Runoff	18
Carlton	Stormwater Runoff	56	Atomspheric	29
Yale	Stormwater Runoff	48	Atomspheric	38
Beauclair	Upstream	75	Stormwater Runoff	16
Dora	Upstream	54	Stormwater Runoff	23
Eustis	Upstream	45	Stormwater Runoff	26
Griffin	Upstream	39	Atomspheric	27

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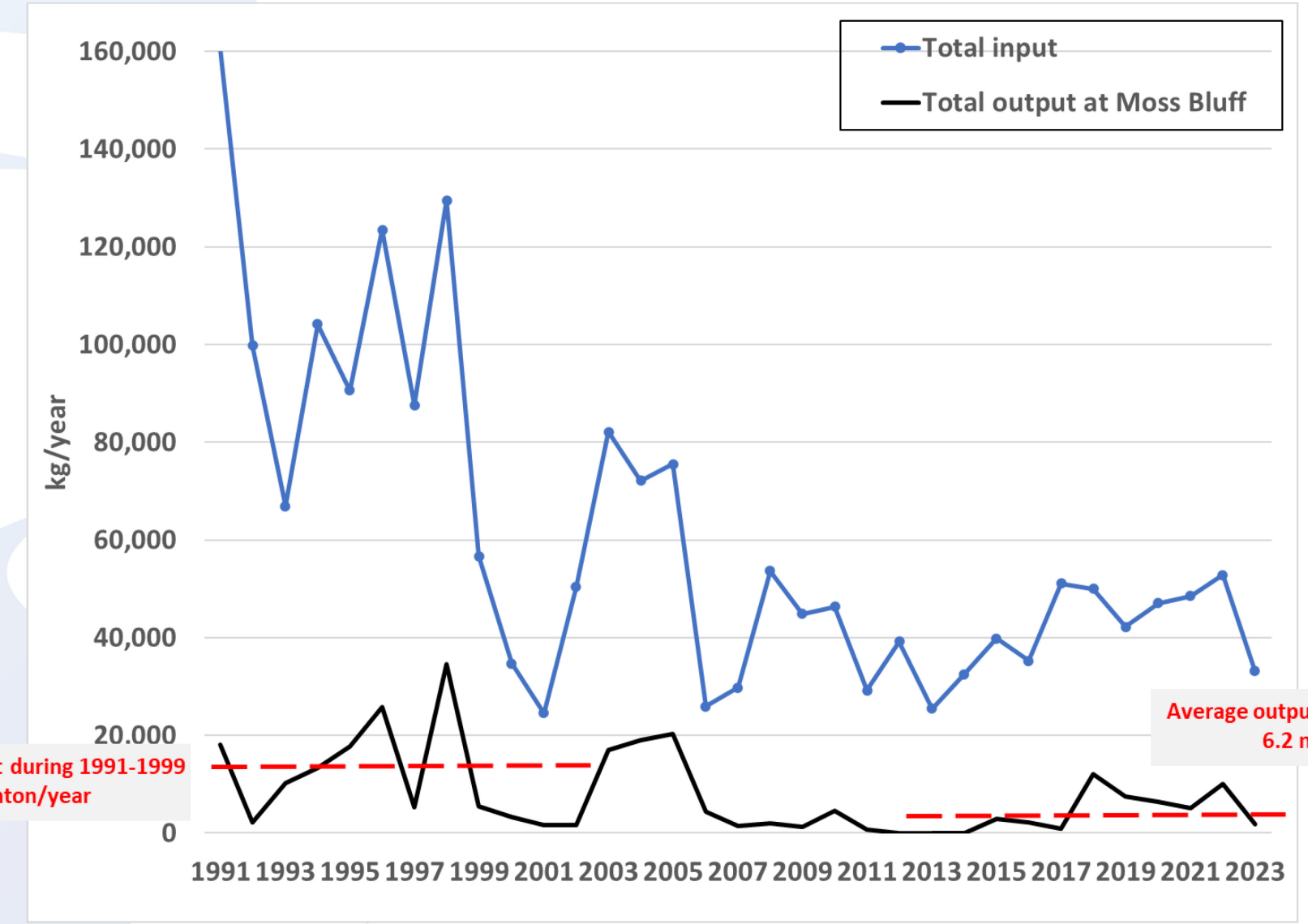
Annual TP input to Harris Chain of Lakes and output at Moss Bluff Lock and Dam from 1991 to 2023



Summary

- Average TP loading in the recent 5 years (2019–2023) to most of the lakes in the basin exceed their TMDL loading targets, except Lake Apopka and Lake Dora.
- Average TP concentrations in the recent 5 years (2019–2023) exceeded their respective TP TMDL concentration targets in all the lakes, except in Lake Griffin.
- TP loading to the Apopka, Beauclair, Dora, Eustis, Harris, and Griffin reduced from about 104 mton/year in the 1990s to about 47 mton/year in the recent 10 years, which is about 55% of reduction to the lakes.
- About 89% of the P loading to the Harris Chain of Lakes retained in the lakes, 11% of the TP loading to the lakes was exported over the Moss Bluff Dam to downstream.
- Average output at Moss Bluff was about 15 mton/year in 1990s, and it was about 6.2 mton/year in recent 5 years, which is about 59% reduction to the Ocklawaha River.
- The District is planning to update land use data next year.

Thank You!

Questions?

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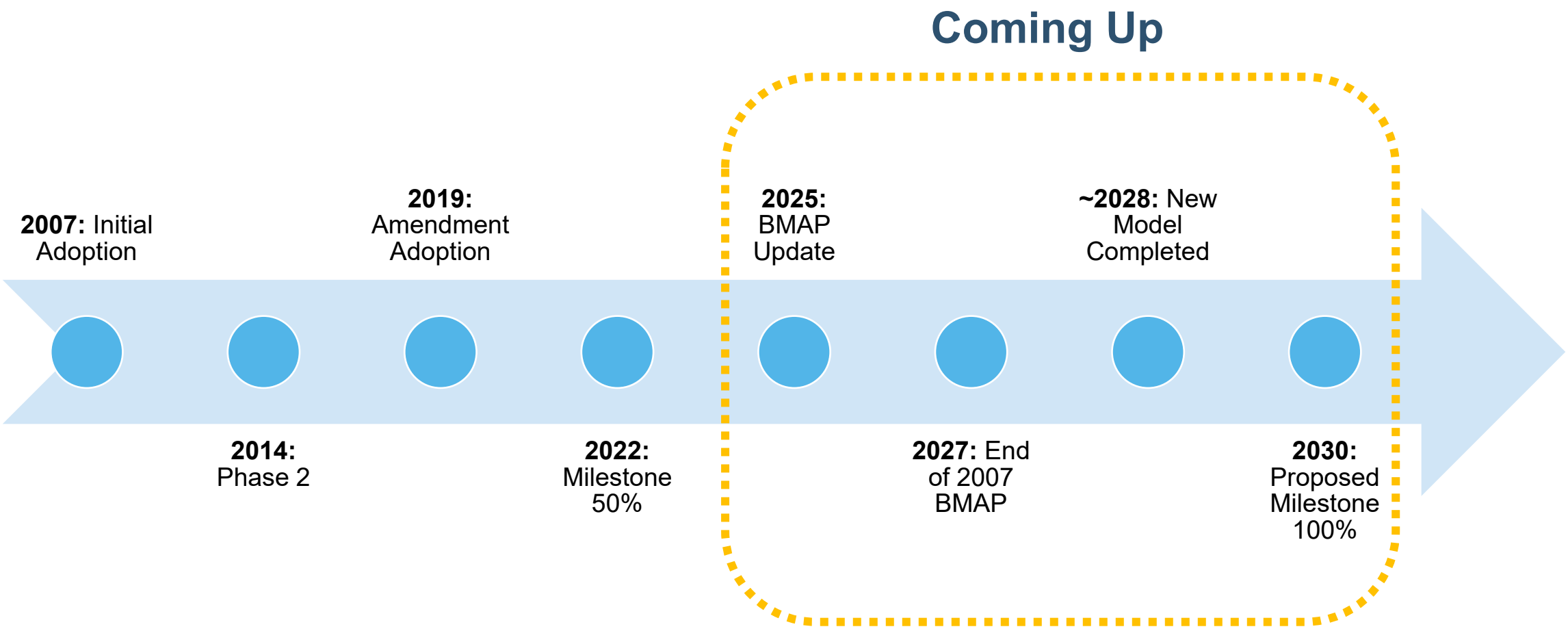
UPCOMING BMAP UPDATE
COMPONENTS

- Establish entity milestones.
- Wastewater effluent limits based on size of facility and effluent disposal method utilized.
- OSTDS requirements for new systems on lots one acre or less.
- Inclusion of a hot spot analysis.
- Evaluation of the monitoring network.
- Inclusion of regional projects.
- Addition of future growth estimates.
- Inclusion of the Clean Waterways Act requirements.

BMAP TIMELINE AND MILESTONES



HOT SPOT ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENT

OVERVIEW

Purpose:

- To find more specific areas to focus restoration activities.
- To highlight areas where projects might have stronger results.
- To highlight areas where more investigation is needed.

Analysis is NOT to determine BMAP or TMDL compliance.

HOT SPOT ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENT

COMPONENTS OF THE HOT SPOT INDEX

These four statistics calculated for the BMAP overall and used to compare against each station average:

- TN or TP concentration average.
- TN or TP 90th percentile.
- TN or TP Standard Deviation (SD).
- TN or TP Percent Frequency of Samples over Threshold.

BMAP Threshold:

- Upper Ocklawaha:
  - TN – 0.78 mg/L.
  - TP – 0.02 mg/L.

HOT SPOT ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENT

INDEX RANKING APPROACH

Station Concentration Average Rank

Compare to BMAP Threshold and overall BMAP average.

Rank 0: Station average below BMAP threshold.

Rank 1: Station average above threshold but below BMAP average.

Rank 2: Station average 2x above BMAP average.

Percentiles Rank

Compare to BMAP Threshold and 90th percentile for the whole BMAP.

Rank 0: Station average below BMAP threshold.

Rank 1: Station average above threshold but below 90th percentile.

Rank 2: Station average above 90th percentile.

SD Rank

Compare to overall BMAP SD.

Rank 0: Station average below BMAP average + 0.5 SD.

Rank 1: Station average at or above average + 0.5 SD but less than BMAP average + 1 SD.

Rank 2: Station average at or above BMAP average + 1 SD.

Frequency Rank

Compare to BMAP Threshold.

Rank 0: Station percent exceedance below 5% of samples.

Rank 1: Station exceedances between 5% and 49% of samples.

Rank 2: Station exceedances over 50% of samples.

HOT SPOT ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENT

FINAL OVERALL RANK

Average Rank
+
Percentile Rank
+
SD Rank
+
Frequency Rank

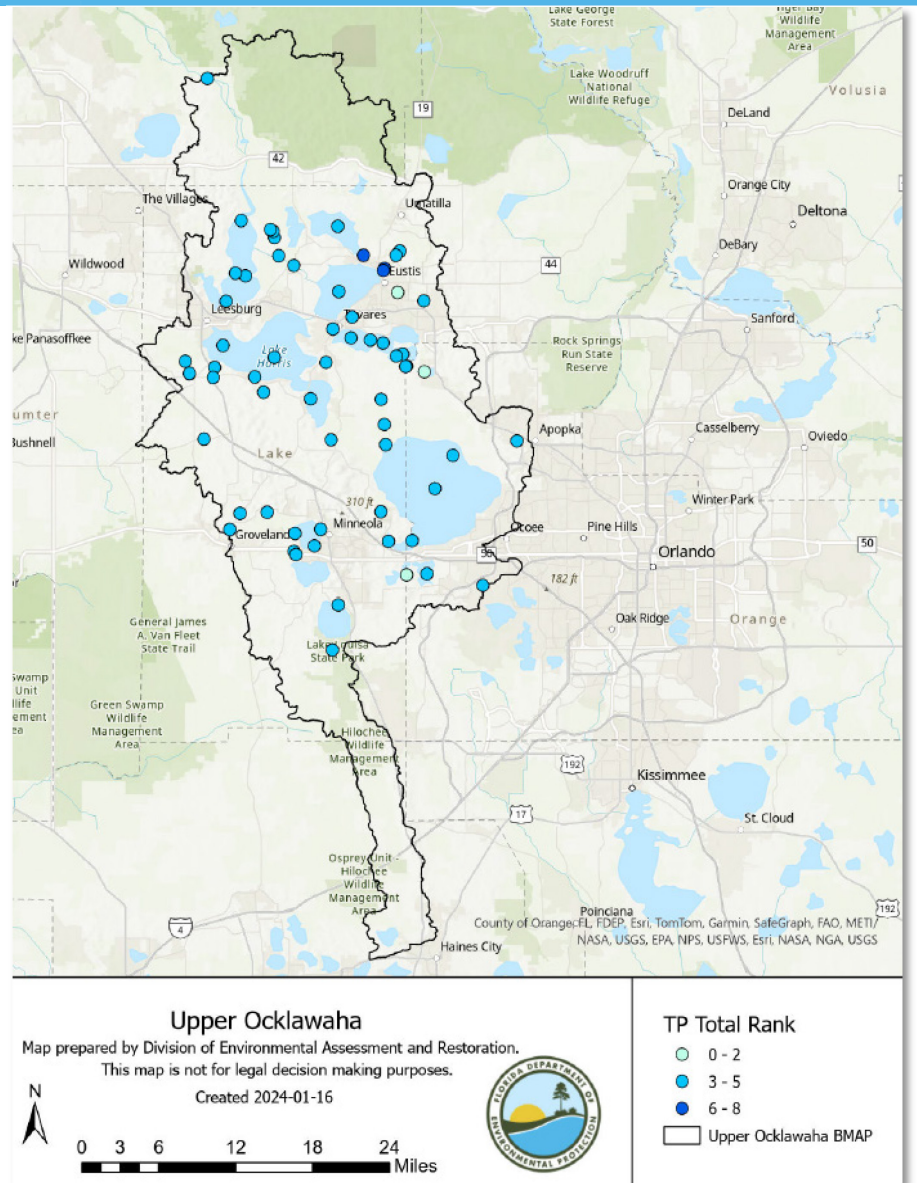
=

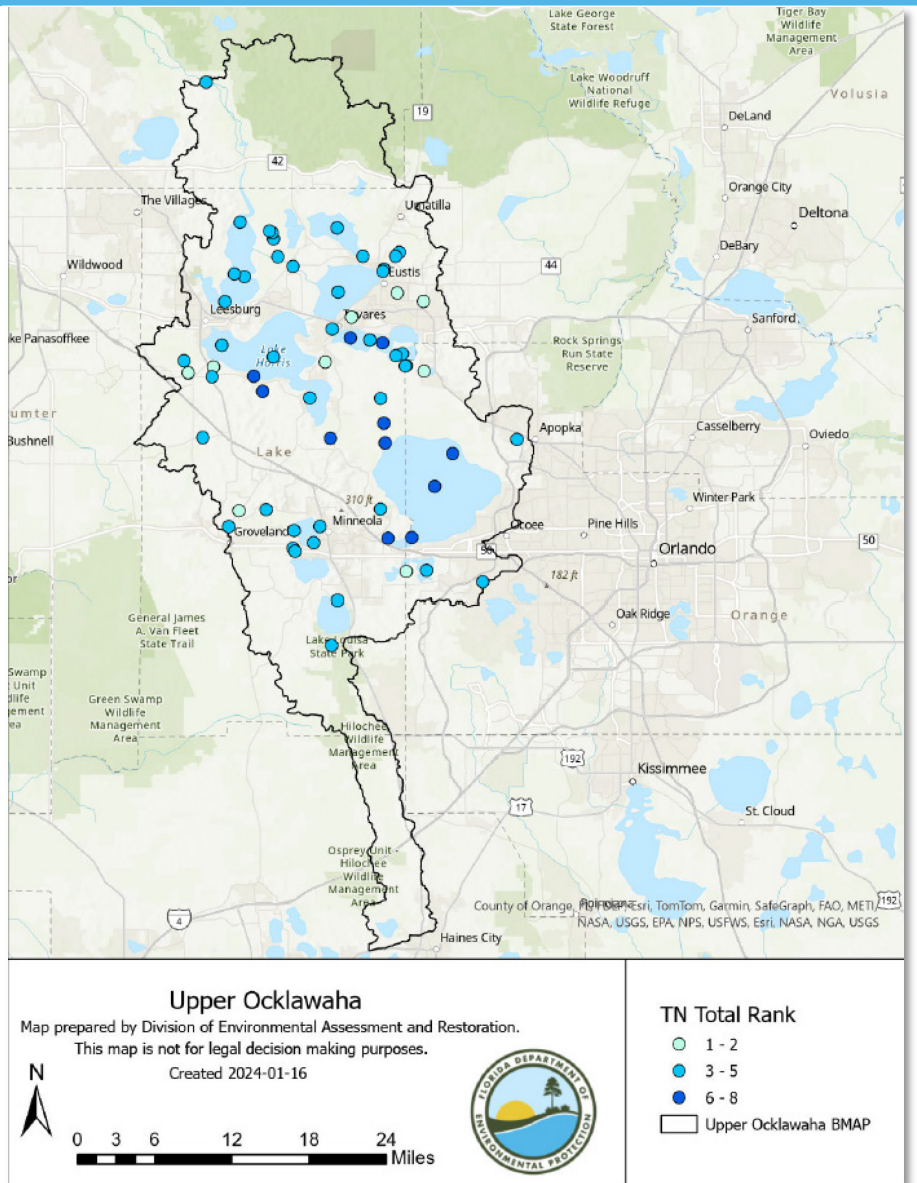
Total Index Rank

Rank 0 = Least Concern
Rank 8 = High Concern

HOT SPOT ANALYSIS RESULTS DRAFT

UPPER OCKLAWAHA





AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE ELEMENT (ACE)

- Cooperative Agricultural Regional Water Quality Improvement elements will establish a collaborative framework for identifying, prioritizing and implementing regional projects that address nutrient loading from agricultural operations in Florida's waterways.
- These elements establish a structured framework efforts among key stakeholders, including:
  - DEP.
  - DACS.
  - WMDs.
  - Agricultural producers.
  - Local communities.

AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE ELEMENT (ACE)

- Engaging producers in the decision-making process is key to this element and ensures that projects are practical, feasible and tailored to the needs and realities of agricultural operations.

- Partner agencies work in annual cycles to provide technical support, regulatory guidance and funding opportunities, enhancing the implementation and success of regional water quality improvement initiatives.

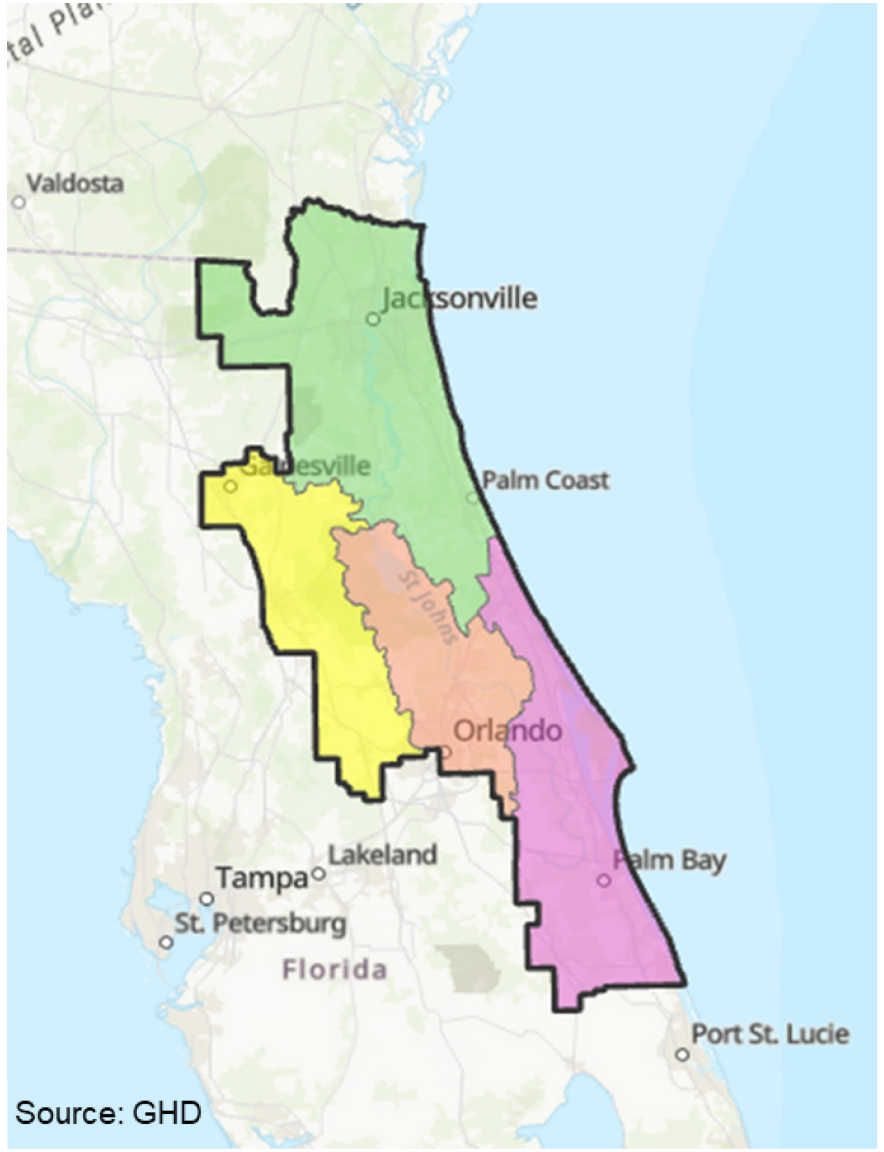
FUTURE GROWTH

- **Domestic Wastewater Projections:**
  - Use wastewater to estimate future growth projections.
  - Start with population growth for each county from Bureau of Economic and Business Research:
    - 2040 Medium Growth Projections.
  - Proportion growth for each entity based on land area.
  - Distinguish the future population expected to be served by sewer versus those with OSTDS based on the most recent Florida Water Management Inventory for each BMAP county.
  - Use per person calculations to estimate future loads from wastewater treatment facility and OSTDS.

- **Agriculture Projections:**
  - Exploring different tools to estimate future changes in agricultural acreage in the BMAPs to estimate changes in agricultural loading.

ST. JOHNS RIVER MODEL UPDATE

- Public meeting was held on March 12, 2024.
- Meeting materials are available at the QR code below.



ST. JOHNS RIVER MODEL UPDATE

PROJECT SCHEDULE

April 2024:
Modeling Document/Quality Assessment (QA) Plan

March 2025:
HSPF Model

July 2025:
EFDC Model

June 2026:
WASP Model

HSPF: Hydrologic Simulation Program FORTRAN
EFDC: Environmental Fluid Dynamics Code
WASP: Water Quality Analysis Simulation Program

ST. JOHNS RIVER MODEL UPDATE

STAKEHOLDER COORDINATION

- Periodic project updates will be sent via email.
- The project email list will be used for sending updates.
- To be added to the project email list, send your contact information:
  - Admin@WildwoodConsulting.net.
  - Or visit the website (QR code below), go to the “Contact” tab and enter your contact information.

ST. JOHNS RIVER MODEL UPDATE

DATA SHARING: OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

Source: Plexel

- Provide additional data for the EFDC Model by Aug. 1, 2024.
- To share data, questions or concerns, please contact StJohnsRiverData@ghd.com.
- Data must:
  - Meet the requirements of DEP's Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
  - When sharing data, please include:
    - Name.
    - Organization/Company.
    - Role.

We will make every effort to include data which meet these standards. However, due to necessary consistency across districts and/or other concerns, not all provided data may be utilized.

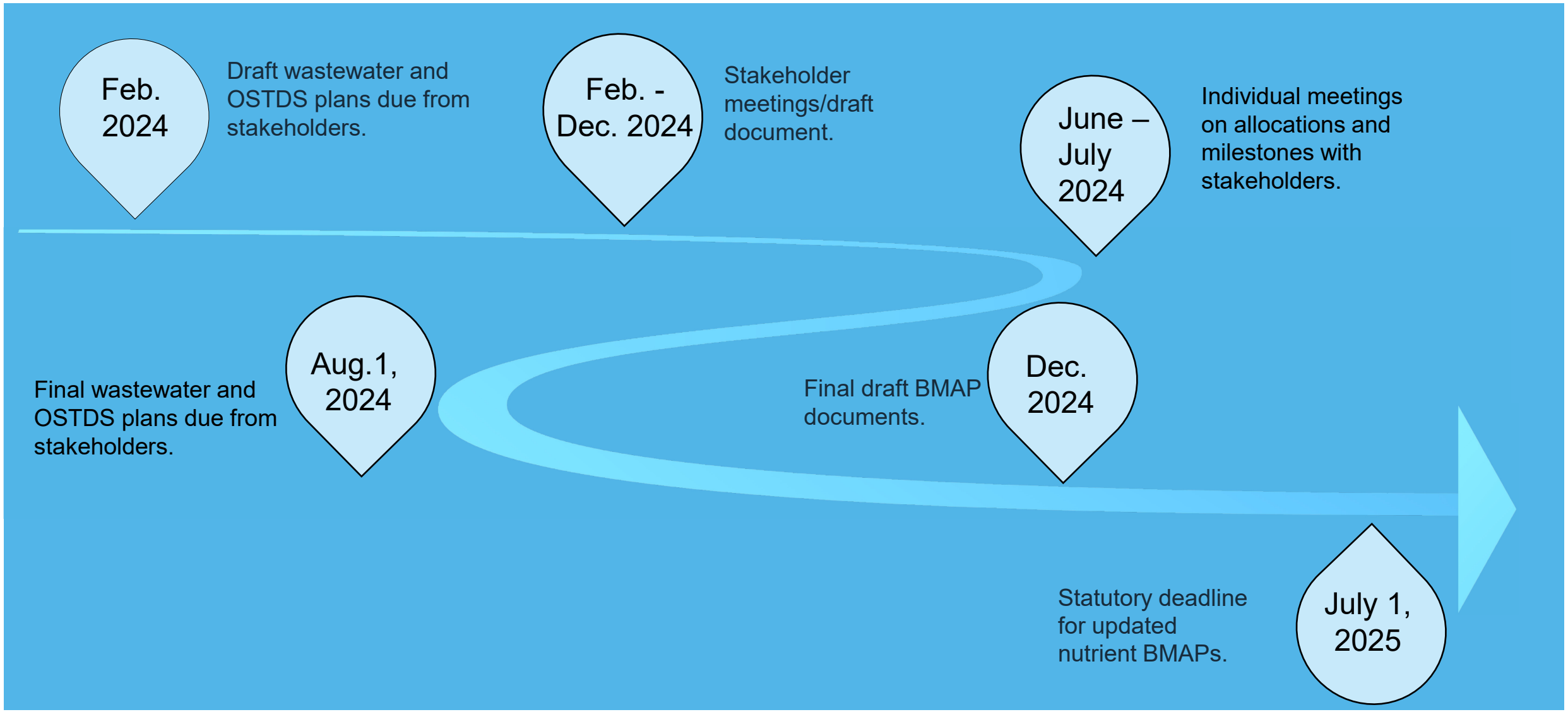
ST. JOHNS RIVER MODEL UPDATE

DATA INVENTORY

Land Cover	Florida Land Cover Classification System (FLUCCS) 2014.
Meteorological	NCDC, NEXRAD, Rain Gages and other local data from SJRWMD.
Boundaries (Planning Units, Subbasins, etc.)	SJRWMD Geospatial Open Data.
Water Quality Ambient Data	Impaired Waters Rule (IWR) Database, Run 63.
Flow Data	USGS, DEP and SJRWMD.

NCDC: National Climatic Data Center
NEXRAD: Next Generation Weather Radar
USGS: U.S. Geological Survey

UPCOMING SCHEDULE



RESOURCES

BMAP WEBSITE AND STORYMAP

Basin Management Action Plans

Home » Divisions » Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration » Water Quality Restoration Program » Ba

Water Quality Restoration Program Quick Links

- Basin Management Action Plans (BMAPs)
- Statewide Annual Report
- Water Quality Grant Opportunities 2023-24
- BMAP Public Meetings
- Impaired Waters, TMDLs and Basin Management Action Plans Interactive Map
- Tools and Guidance for

What is a Basin Management Action

A basin management action plan (BMAP) is a framework for wate reduce pollutant loading through current and future projects an permit limits on wastewater facilities, urban and agricultural bes achieve pollutant reductions established by a total maximum da stakeholders and rely on local input and commitment for develo Department of Environmental Protection Secretarial Order and a

Water Quality Protection Gr

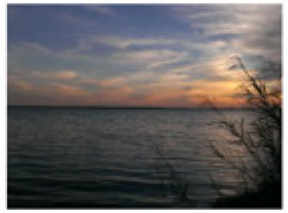
DEP has launched an online grant portal to provide eligible entit programs. Eligible entities include local governments, academic application portal opened July 5, 2023. Closing dates for individ the posted date f each grant program. Applicants are encourag

Collection

Surface Water Nutrient Basin Management Action Plans (BMAPs)

Get started

1 Legislative Requirements



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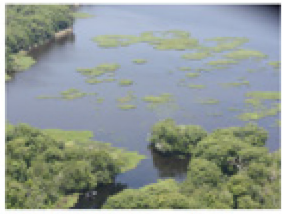
3 (COPY) Everglades West Coast Basin Management Action Plan



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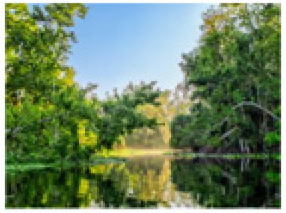

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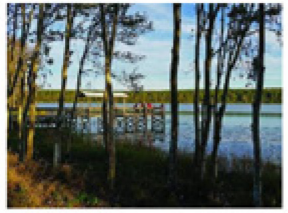
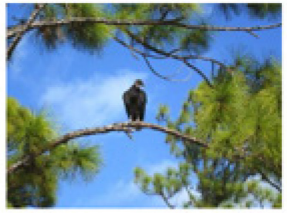


8 (COPY) Upper Ocklawaha Basin Management Action Plan



9 (COPY) Long Branch Basin Management Action Plan

RESOURCES

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Funding Opportunities

FloridaDEP.gov/Funding

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Questions & Answers Summary

Upper Ocklawaha Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Annual Meeting

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

June 18, 2024, via GoToWebinar

10:00 am – 11:29 am

Attendees

Suzanne Archer, SJRWMD
Lisa Bally, ATM
Vanessa Bauzo, FDACS
Sean Beaudet, Lake County
Evelyn Becerra, DEP
Adam Blalock, DEP
Eric Blount, City of Palm Bay
Julie Bortles, Orange County
Karl Bursa, Lake County
Tiffany Busby, Wildwood Consulting
Trevor Campbell, AECOM
Andy Canion, SJRWMD
Stacy Cecil, SJRWMD
Carolin Ciarlariello, DEP
Veronica Dau, Lake County
Susan Davis, SJRWMD
Jian Di, SJRWMD
Dean Dobberfuhl, SJRWMD
Yesenia Escribano, FDACS
Randy Fink, SJRWMD
Melissa Fuller, City of Eustis
Roxanne Groover, FOWA
Jim Gross, Florida Defenders
Justin Grubich, Pew Charitable Trusts
Chris Guth, Federico & Associates, Inc.
Samuel Hankinson, DEP
Kira Hansen, Kimley-Horn
Madeline Hart, FDACS
Ron Hart, Surface Water Professionals
Janet Hearn, ATM
Rob Heaviside, City of Winter Garden
Margarita Hernandez, DEP
Stefanie Herrera, Richardson Soils
Laila Hudda, EPA
Bryan Hummel, EPA
Roxanne Jones, Citizen
Lawrence Keenan, Citizen
Tracy Kelley, City of Wildwood
Kevin Koehler, Dewberry
Joy Kokjohn, SJRWMD
Maryann Krisovitch, Surface Water Professionals
Jeff Littlejohn, Onsyte
Celeste Lyon, RES
Erich Marzolf, SJRWMD
Lori McCloud, SJRWMD
Daniel Millan, City of Eustis
Jessica Mostyn, DEP
Daryl Myers, Hanson Professional Svcs
Mark Nelson, Jones Edmunds
Kevin O'Donnell, DEP
Michael Olka, Lake County
Josh Papacek, SJRWMD
Jim Peterson, SJRWMD
Nicolas Pisarello, ATM
Wendy Poag, Lake County
Marty Proctor, Citizen
Jerome Ryan, SWIG
Stacey Simmons, FDACS
Tiffany Simpson, DEP
Carol Sundberg, Citizen
James Thompson, City of Clermont
Diana Turner, DEP
Unknown, The Florida Channel
Lisa Van Houdt, DEP
Tim Waln, SJRWMD

Questions and Answers

Q: What was “operating on Lake Apopka in the 1990s” that is not there now?
A: There were several muck farm operations along the lake during the 1990s. The St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) purchased some of the land and converted the muck farms to wetland treatment systems, which accounts for a large load reduction to Lake Apopka.

Q: If the SJRWMD currently uses 2014 land use for the loading estimates and you update the data to use 2024 land use, should we expect to see a bump in loading next year?
A: The SJRWMD is unsure if the land use changes since 2014 will result in an increased loading estimate or not.