

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
DeLeon Spring, Gemini Springs, and Volusia Blue Basin Management Action Plans (BMAPs)
Meeting Summary
October 29, 2024, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Lyonia Environmental Center
2150 Eustace Ave., Deltona, FL 32725

Attendees

Ginger Adair, Volusia County
Lisa Bally, Geosyntec
Tiffany Busby, Wildwood Consulting
Lee Cain, Kimley-Horn
Lauren Campbell, DEP
Patricia Coffey, FDACS
Lauren Dorval, FDACS
Chloe Dougherty, Florida Springs Council
Jessica Fetgatter, DEP
Gerald Fieser, Florida Farm Bureau
Danielle Fitz Patrick, SJRWMD
Agustin Francisco, FDACS
Holly Giles, Volusia County
Tina Gordon, Wildwood Consulting
Roxanne Groover, FOWA
Raichel Gulde, RES
David Hamstra, Pegasus Engineering
Sam Hankinson, DEP
Wayn Hartley, SMC
Moir Homann, DEP
Brian Icerman, Jones Edmunds
Bilal Iftikhar, Orange City
Al Iverson, West Volusia Beacon
Mark Kateli, Florida Native Plant Society
Chandler Keenan, DEP

Robert Lawler, Orange City
Celeste Lyon, RES
Jessica Meinhofer, Walk and Paddle
Roberto Meinhofer, Citizen
Christie Miller, Lyonia Environmental Center
Deborah Milotte, Volusia County
Amy Munizzi, DeLeon Springs Community Association
Daryl Myers, Hanson
Mark Nelson, Jones Edmunds
Joe Parish, Seminole County
Erin Reed, Volusia County
David Rickly, Citizen
Leylah Saavedra, Pegasus Engineering
Tammy Schuler, Hidden Valley
Richard Schuler, Hidden Valley
Mark Schuler, Hidden Valley
Kim Shugar, DEP
Jodi Slater, SJRWMD
Jennifer Spain, Volusia County
John Stanberry, Discovery Academy
Mike Ulrich, Volusia County Utilities
Sara Vanatta, Seminole County
Samantha West, Volusia County
Kelly Young, Volusia County

Presentation

Lauren Campbell gave a brief overview of the DeLeon Spring, Gemini Springs, and Volusia Blue BMAPs, basin required reduction, entity required reductions and the upcoming BMAP schedule. She explained that the total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) are 0.035 milligrams per liter of nitrate. Based on recent water quality data, additional reductions of 47% for DeLeon Spring, 74% for Gemini Springs, and 51% for Volusia Blue Spring are needed to meet the springs water quality target.

Lauren noted that there are some environmental groups specifically listed at the beginning of the BMAP document as interested stakeholders along with a general category of “Environmental Interests.” If there are groups that would like to have their organization listed in the 2025 BMAP update as interested stakeholders, please contact Lauren to be added.

Lauren mentioned there have been staff changes at DEP for this BMAP, so please contact her if anyone has questions about the BMAP or about BMAP Portal entries.

Lauren added that comments on the BMAP can be emailed to BMAPProgram@FloridaDEP.gov.

Poster Session

Posters were presented, along with the opportunity for attendees to review BMAP information and ask questions of DEP staff.

Written Comments

Deborah Milotte, Holly Bluff Marina, asked to be added to the BMAP subscription emails.

Mark Kateli asked to have the Cuplet Fern Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society added to the Interested Stakeholders list in the BMAP.

Action Items

Environmental Interests-- If there are groups that would like to have their organization listed in the 2025 BMAP update, please contact Lauren Campbell to be added.