

# Upper Ocklawaha Basin Meeting

## March 17, 2010

### Announcements

- EPA has sponsored a webinar on EPA grants for April 1. Information is in a handout.
- SJRWMD Contractor presenting nitrogen fixation study done in Middle St. Johns River March 18 at 2:30 p.m. in Palatka. The meeting is being videotaped.

Question: Any interest in showing video at our next meeting?

■ 319 grant applications due May 28, 2010. For details, visit [www.dep.state.fl.us/water/nonpoint/319.htm](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/nonpoint/319.htm)

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## Florida Section 319 Grant Work Plans and Project Summaries

The Nonpoint Source Management Section administers grant money it receives from EPA through Section 319(h) of the Federal Clean Water Act. These grant funds can be used to implement projects or programs that will help to reduce nonpoint sources of pollution. Projects or programs must be conducted within the state's NPS priority watersheds, which are the state's SWIM watersheds and National Estuary Program waters. All projects must include at least a 40% nonfederal match.

Examples of fundable projects include: demonstration and evaluation of Best Management Practices (BMPs), nonpoint pollution reduction in priority watersheds, ground water protection from nonpoint sources, public education programs on nonpoint source management, etc. All approved projects will be contracted with the Department of Environmental Protection and managed by the staff of the Nonpoint Source Management Section. Project proposals are due each year in late May with project selection completed by September. To be included on the 319 mailing list, please email us or give us a phone call. [EPA](#) has the program's [guidelines](#) available on the internet.

- » [EPA Nine Elements of a Watershed Plan](#)
- » [FY 2011 Section 319\(h\) Proposal Application](#)
  - » [MSWord Form](#) (306 KB) | [Adobe Acrobat Form](#) (58 KB)
- » [FY 2011 Section 319\(h\) Application Guidance and Instruction](#)
  - » [MSWord Form](#) (1.1 MB) | [Adobe Acrobat Form](#) (463 KB)
- » [FY 2011 Section 319\(h\) Agricultural Guidance](#) (206 KB)
- » [FY 2007 Annual Report to USEPA](#) (1.5 MB)
- » [FY 2006 Annual Report to USEPA](#) (922 KB)
- » [FY 2005 Annual Report to USEPA](#) (1.04 MB)
- » [FY 2004 Annual Report to USEPA](#) (827 KB)
- » [FY 2003 Annual Report to USEPA](#) (239 KB)
- » [Summary of past and current Florida 319\(h\) projects](#)
- » [Florida's Nonpoint Source Management Program, November 1999](#) (2.62MB)

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# **DEP Activity Update**

## **Class 3 limited use designation**

- Initially proposed revision of designated water uses from 5 classifications that combine human and aquatic life uses to 7 human use/4 aquatic life use classifications
- Too complex- ERC directed DEP to simplify
- Now proposed as Class 3 limited use Designation
- Probably goes to ERC in May
- Check DEP website for details

## **What does this mean?**

**“Class III-Limited Fish Consumption; Recreation or Limited Recreation; Propagation and Maintenance of a Limited Population of Fish and Wildlife” LIMITED APPLICATION**

### **For more information:**

**Department's internet site at**

**<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wqssp/index.htm>**

**By writing to the Florida  
Department of Environmental  
Protection, Standards and  
Assessment Section, 2600 Blair  
Stone Road, MS 6511, Tallahassee,  
FL 32399-2400**

# EPA Numeric Nutrient Criteria

- Comment period extended to April 28, 2010
- Useful information at DEP website
- [www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wqssp/nutrients/federal.htm](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wqssp/nutrients/federal.htm)

- Lakes
  - In-lake (dependent on color and alkalinity)
- Streams
  - In-stream protection value (regions)
  - Downstream protection value (to protect lakes and estuaries)
- Proposed SSAC as mechanism for adopted TMDLs
- DEP prepared an evaluation of state waters using EPA proposed criteria-available from our website. Please read the supplemental instructions as they explain how DEP interpreted EPA's proposal.  
For questions, please contact Julie Espy at [julie.espy@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:julie.espy@dep.state.fl.us)