



July 12, 2023

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**RE: FLA010515 City of Clermont – East WRF Request for Exemption from the Clean Waterways Act Wastewater and OSTDS Remediation Plan Development**

Ms. Fetgatter:

The City of Clermont provides wastewater treatment at the East Water Reclamation Facility. While the construction of improvements to the WRF are currently on-going over the past two years effluent total nitrogen has averaged 3.94 mg/L, and is regularly below 3.0 mg/L. Effluent total phosphorus has averaged less than 1.5 mg/L over the same time period.

Currently, there are ten septic tanks remaining within the City limits as shown in the attached figure. An existing City ordinance prohibits the construction of new septic tanks and requires connection to the City's sewer system.

Given the already high level of nutrient removal provided at the East WRF, the anticipated increase in nutrient removal after completion of the on-going WRF construction, and the minimal number of septic tanks within the City limits, the City of Clermont requests an exemption to the requirement to prepare a Wastewater and OSTDS Remediation Plan under the requirements of the Clean Waterways Act.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Scullion".

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Enclosures

# Clermont Septic Tank Areas

