

Dan Waters

Big Cypress Basin Board Vice Chair

Dan Waters, PE is a professional engineer who currently serves as a project manager for Peninsula Engineering in Naples. Dan has worked in Collier County and southwest Florida as an engineer for over 20 years and in that time has worked on some of the largest and most significant land development projects in southwest Florida. During his professional career the projects that Dan has been participated in the design and permitting of include the Town of Ave Maria in eastern Collier County, the Hyatt Regency at Coconut Point and Raptor Bay Golf Club in the City of Bonita Springs, the Winding Cypress / Verona Walk residential development in Collier County, the Founders' Square mixed-use development in Collier County, the Estuary at Grey Oaks in the City of Naples, and the renovation of the Hole in the Wall Golf Club in the City of Naples.



In addition to working in the private sector as an engineering consultant, Dan previously worked for the South Florida Water Management District in the regulation division. During his time with the District, Dan initially served as a section leader responsible for supervision of the surface water permitting program within the District's Lower West Coast Service Center in Ft. Myers. Dan later assumed the role of the Regulatory Administrator of the Lower West Coast Service Center as was responsible for management and supervision of the District's Environmental Resource and Consumptive Use permitting programs in Collier, Lee, and portions of Charlotte and Hendry counties.

Dan was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and has lived in Florida since 1980. Dan grew up in Hollywood, Florida and attended Chaminade Madonna High School in Hollywood prior to attending the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida for his undergraduate studies. Following his graduation from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering in 1999, Dan moved to Collier County and began his professional career with Wilson Miller (now Stantec). Dan later earned a Master of Engineering with a major in Environmental Engineering Sciences from the University of Florida. The focus of the masters work was stormwater and wastewater treatment techniques and Dan's professional and academic interests include the ability to apply proven wastewater treatment techniques to stormwater management systems.

In addition to his professional work Dan has been involved in civic service within southwest Florida. Dan's involvement includes prior service on the board of the Calusa Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society, the Big Cypress Basin Board, and Dan is currently a board member of the Southwest Florida Land Preservation Trust (SWFLPT). The SWFLPT was instrumental in organizing community support and advocating for the construction of the Gordon River Greenway in Collier County and now that the greenway is complete the SWFLPT is beginning to alter its mission to support water resource restoration projects within Collier County. Dan and his wife Amy, a lifelong Collier County resident, live in the City of Naples.

Current Term: December 2020 – March 2023

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Areas Represented: Collier County and portions of Monroe County

Appointed by: Governor Ron DeSantis

Original Appointment: December 2020

Education:

- **M.E. - Environmental Sciences:** University of Florida
- **B.S. - Civil Engineering:** University of Florida

Occupation:

Project Manager, Peninsula Engineering

Professional, Business and Service Affiliations:

- Southwest Florida Land Preservation Trust (SWFLPT)
- Florida Engineering Society - Calusa Chapter