

Lower West Coast Water Supply Plan

Modeling the Floridan Aquifer System

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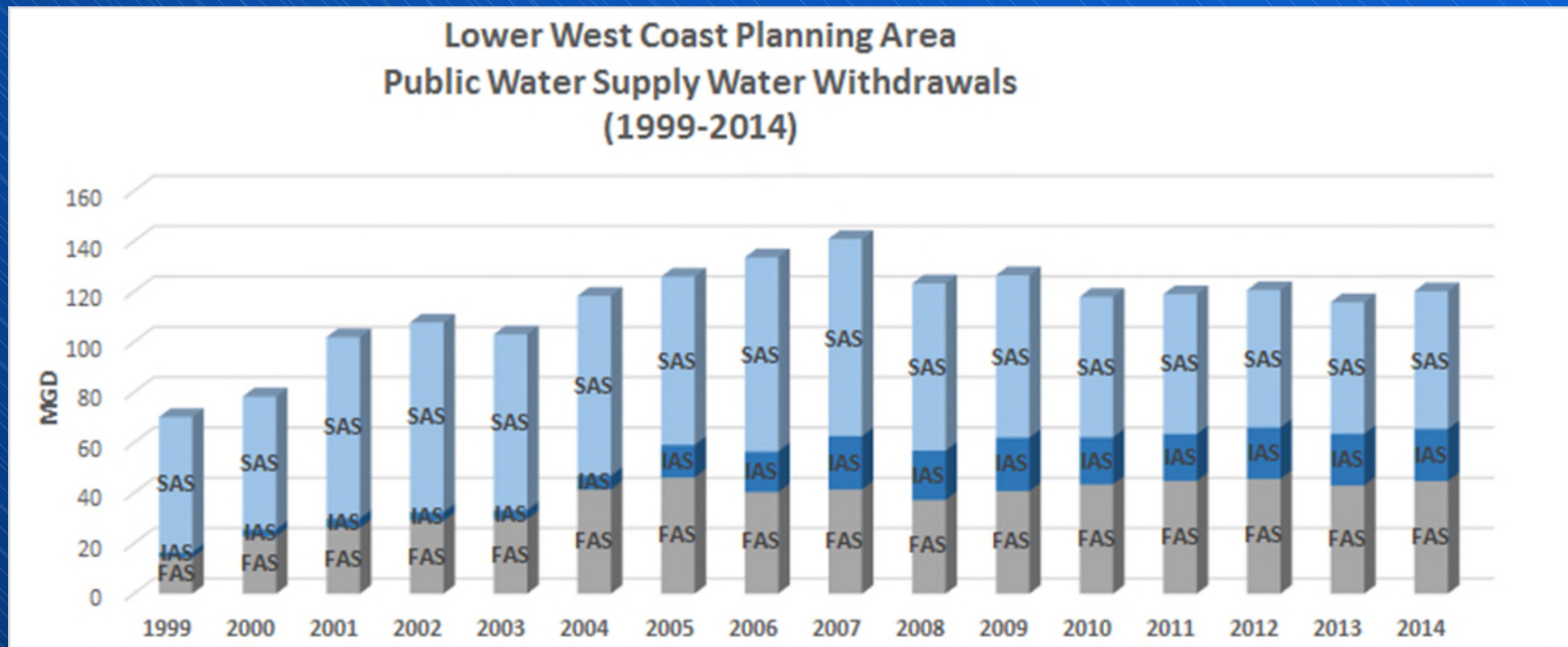
Today's Agenda

- Introduction Mark Elsner, Section Administrator, Water Supply Development
- Modeling Overview John Mulliken, FAS Modeling Coordinator
- Next Steps Bob Verrastro, LWC WSP Project Manager

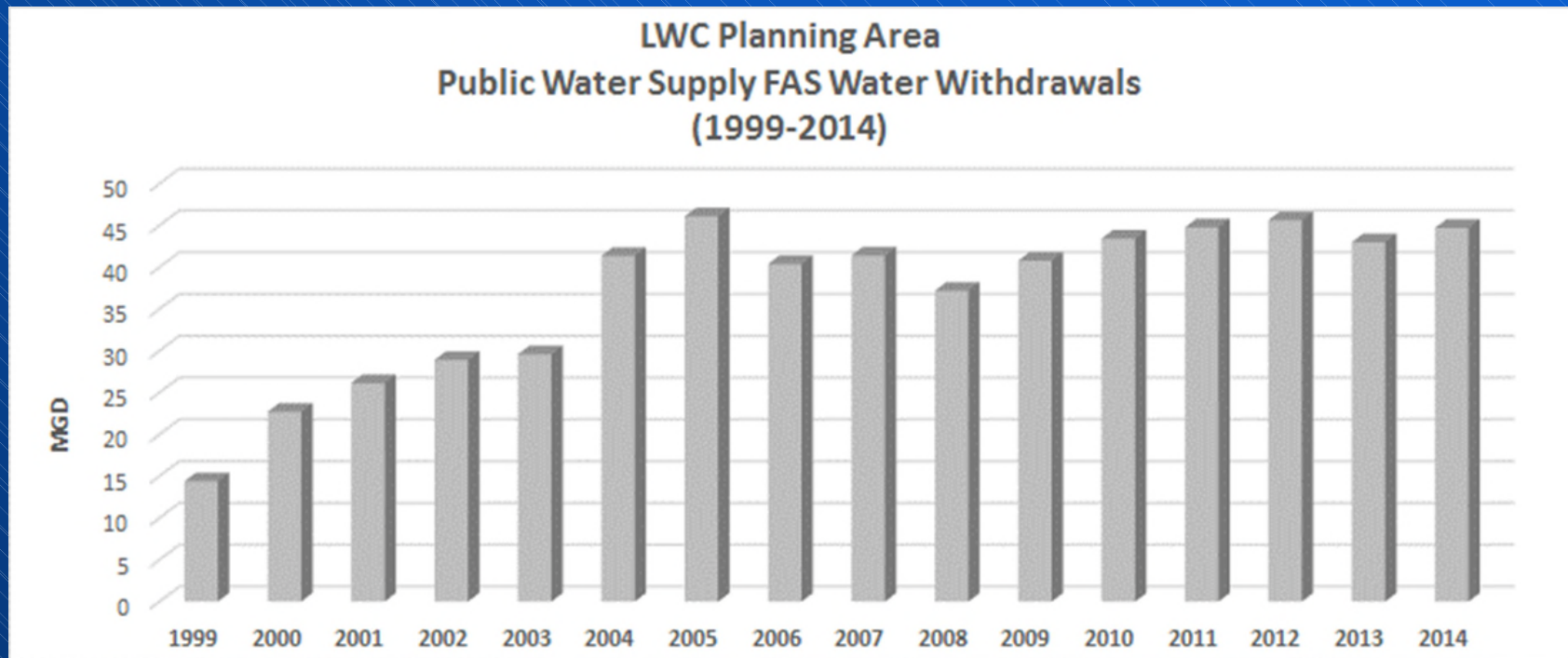
Introduction

Mark Elsner

Historic PWS Water Use by Source



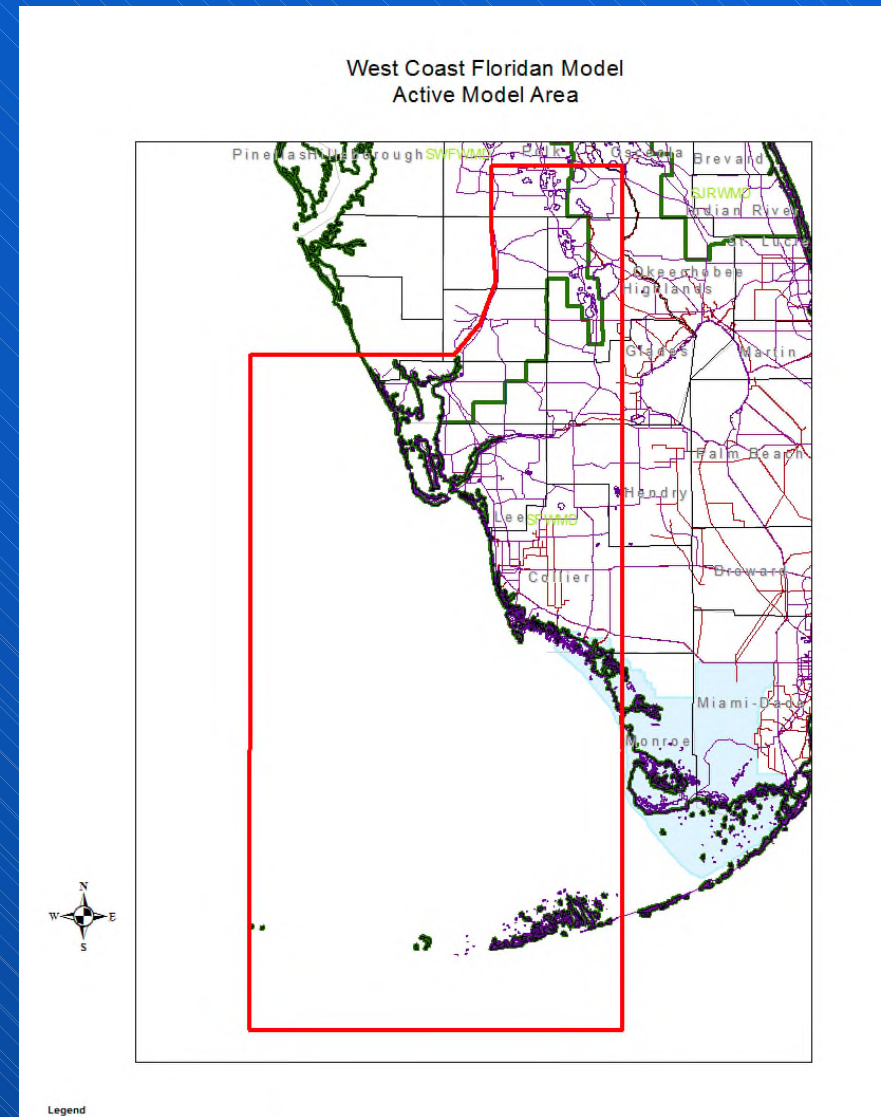
Historic Floridan Use by LWC Utilities



FAS Modeling Overview

John Mulliken

- West Coast Floridan Model (WCFM)
- Model Domain – Active Area
- Model extent
 - North: State Road 60
 - South: Florida Straits
 - West: Dry Tortugas
 - East: Edge of East Coast Floridan Model
- Captures all FAS users in LWC except Clewiston



- Analysis is focused on LWC Planning Area
- Results will be displayed as subset of model domain
- WCFM has Lower Hawthorn Aquifer as top layer
 - SAS and IAS not represented in WCFM
 - Lower West Coast Surficial and Intermediate Model (LWCSIM) in development



Draft FAS Modeling Objective for Lower West Coast

- Conduct a regional-scale, planning-level evaluation of the FAS as a water supply source
- Evaluate the potential of existing and proposed facilities to meet 2040 water demands
- Focus analysis on potential changes to water quality (TDS) and water levels
- Consider the modeling results in LWC Plan Update process when determining if proposed FAS projects:
 - Are generally feasible
 - Have potential to meet projected demands

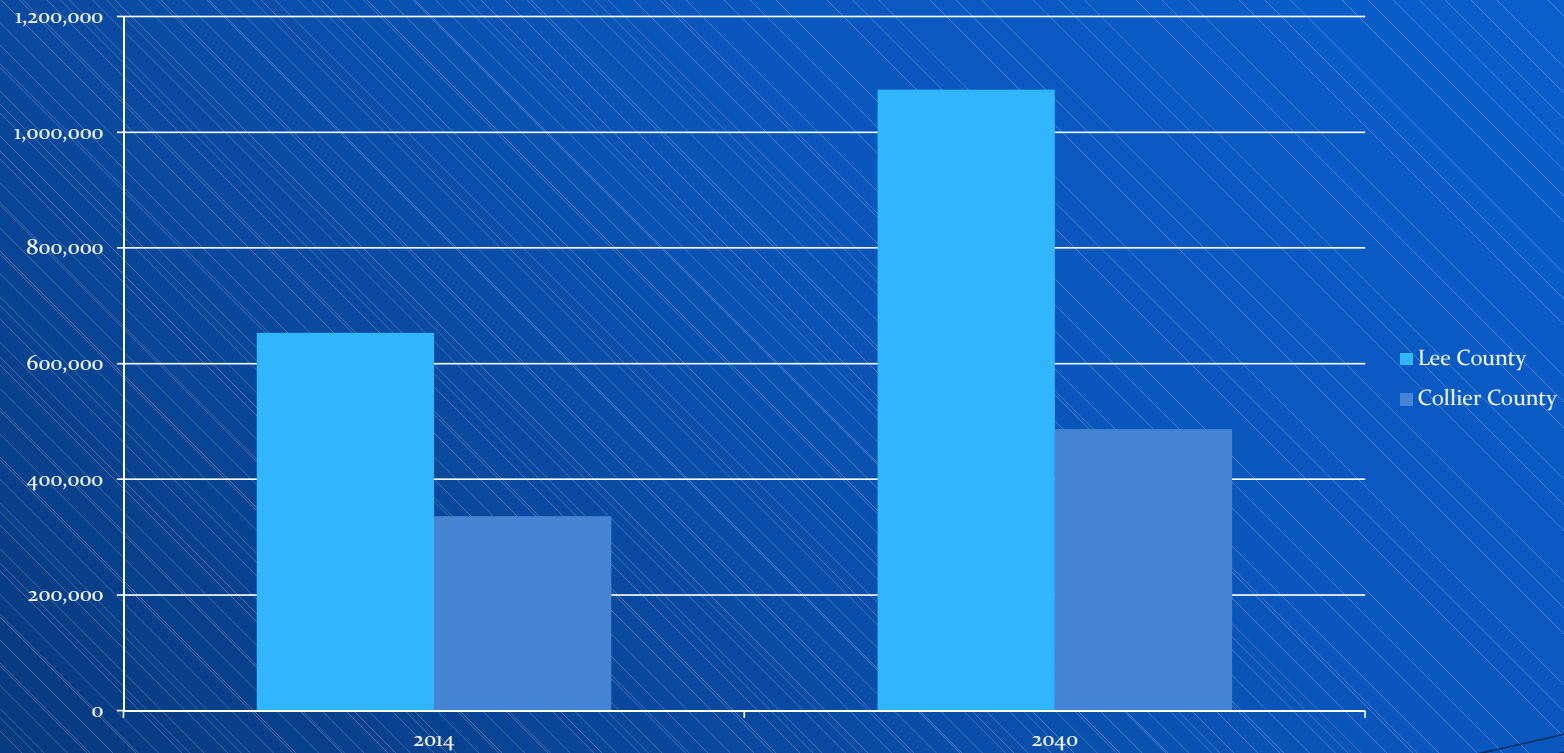
Preparing for Modeling

- Calibration Period: 1989 to 2014
- Establish baselines
 - Current conditions (2014)
 - Future conditions (2040)
- Develop demand projections – all use categories
 - Population growth, changes in agricultural and other irrigation acreage
 - Determine portion of demand to be met from the FAS

Modeling Assumptions

- Public Water Supply
 - Distribution of population growth
 - Future Floridan use – new or expanded wellfields
 - Pumping protocols
 - Seasonal variations in water use
- Agriculture
 - AGR Floridan use: Mostly north and east of LWC
 - Projected acreage by crop type
- Other FAS Use
 - Golf course and landscape irrigation

LWC Population Projections (2014-2040)



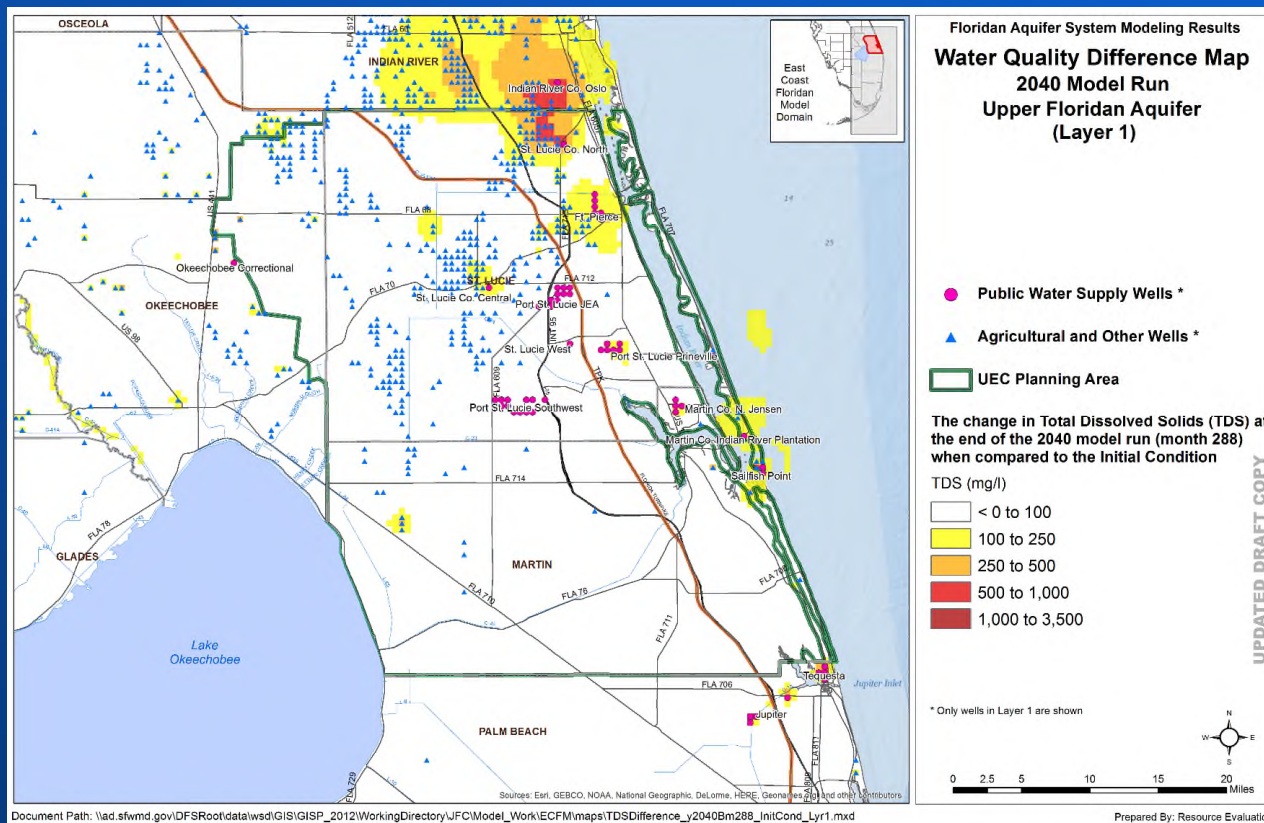
Source: University of Florida, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, 2015

Interpreting Results

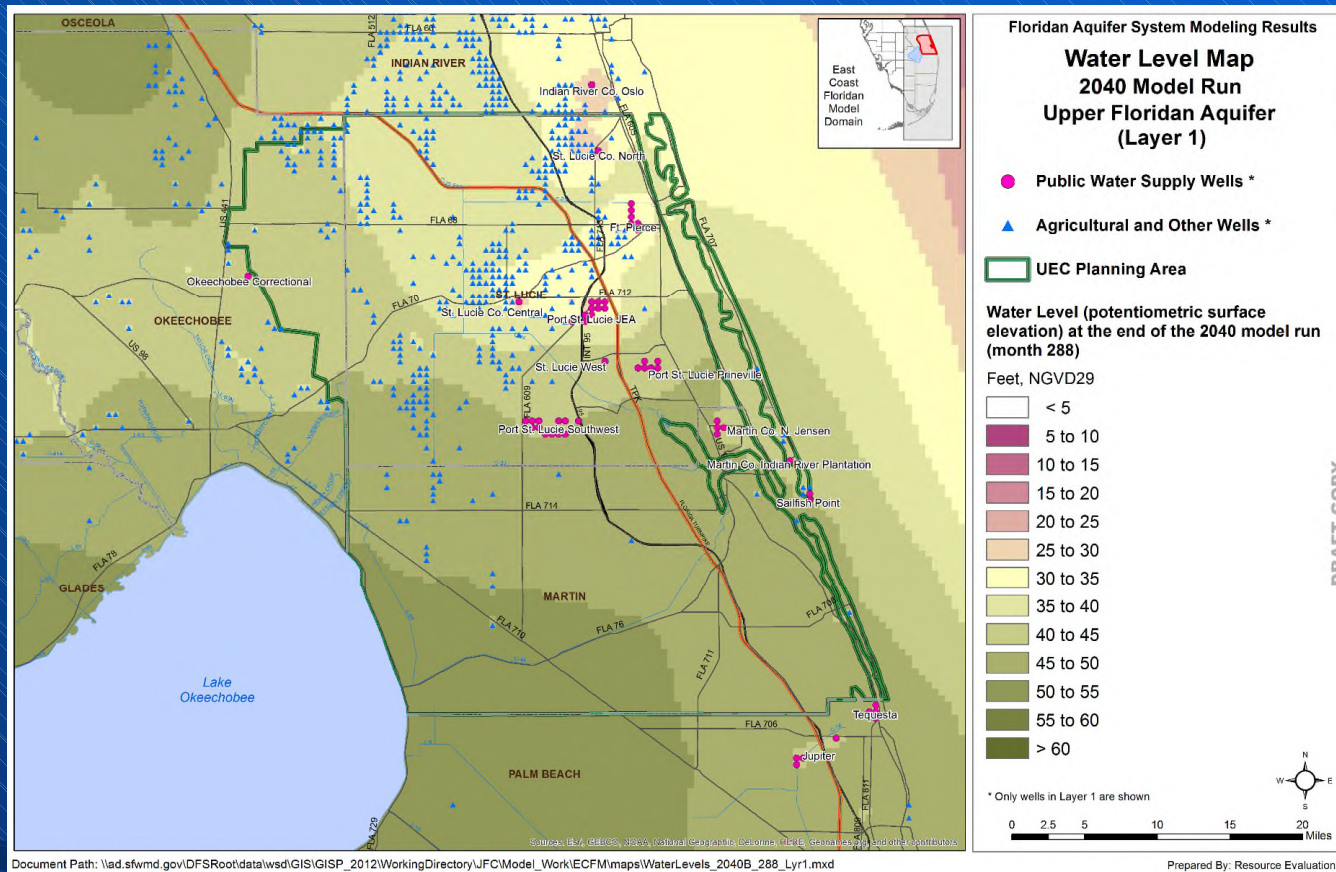
- Relative comparisons between model runs
 - 2014 Base Case
 - 2040 Base Case
- Points of comparisons
 - End of model run (Month 300)
 - 1 in 10 year rainfall deficit
 - Change from initial condition to end of model run
- Graphic representation of performance
 - Show changes in water levels (NGVD29)
 - Display differences in water quality (Total Dissolved Solids)
 - Illustrate variations in flow (horizontal and vertical)



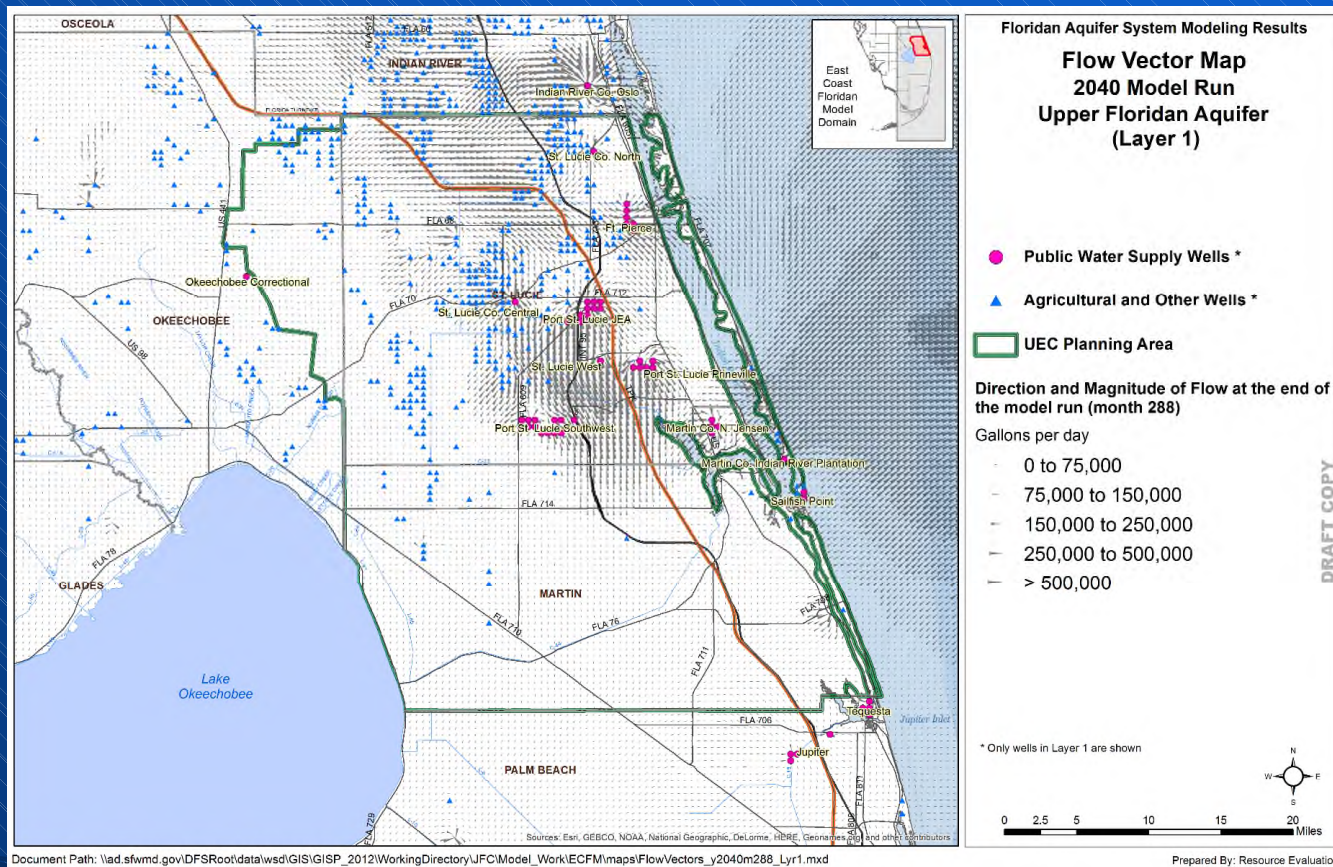
Example Graphic: Water Quality Difference Results



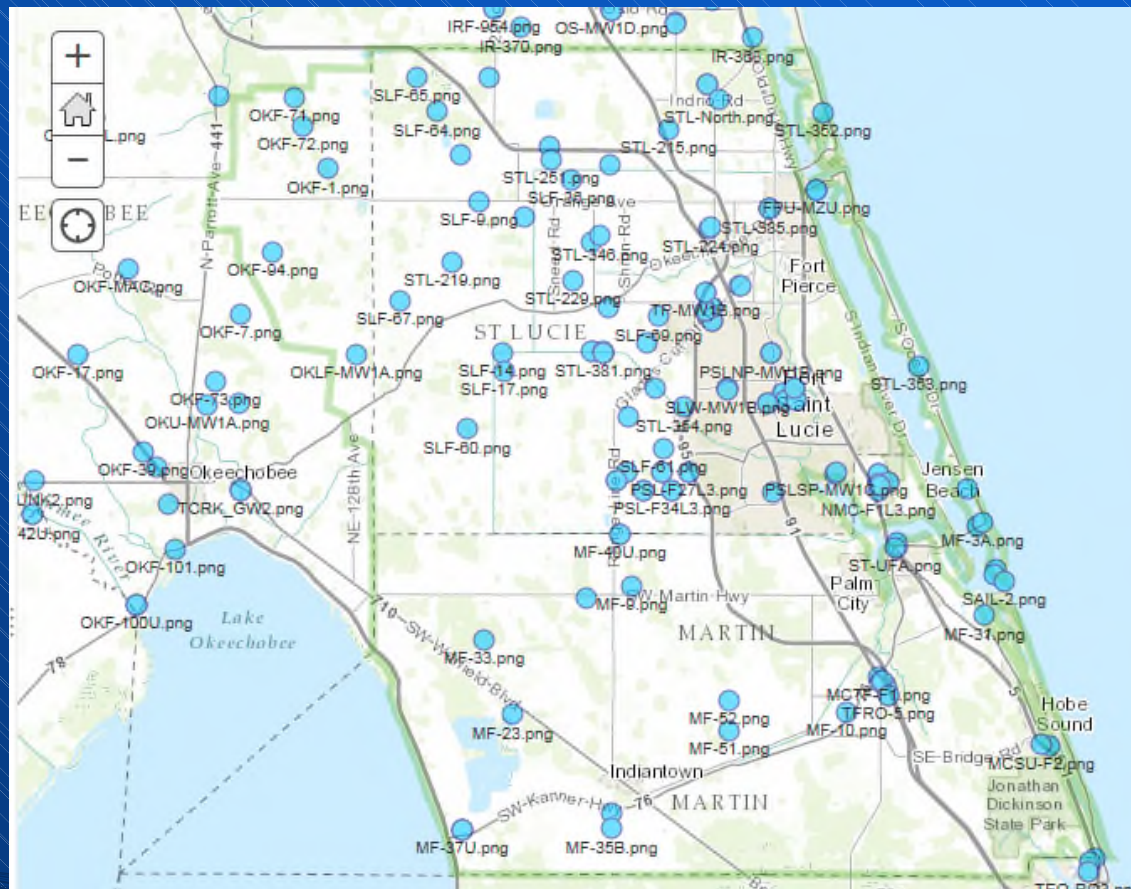
Example Graphic: Water Level Results



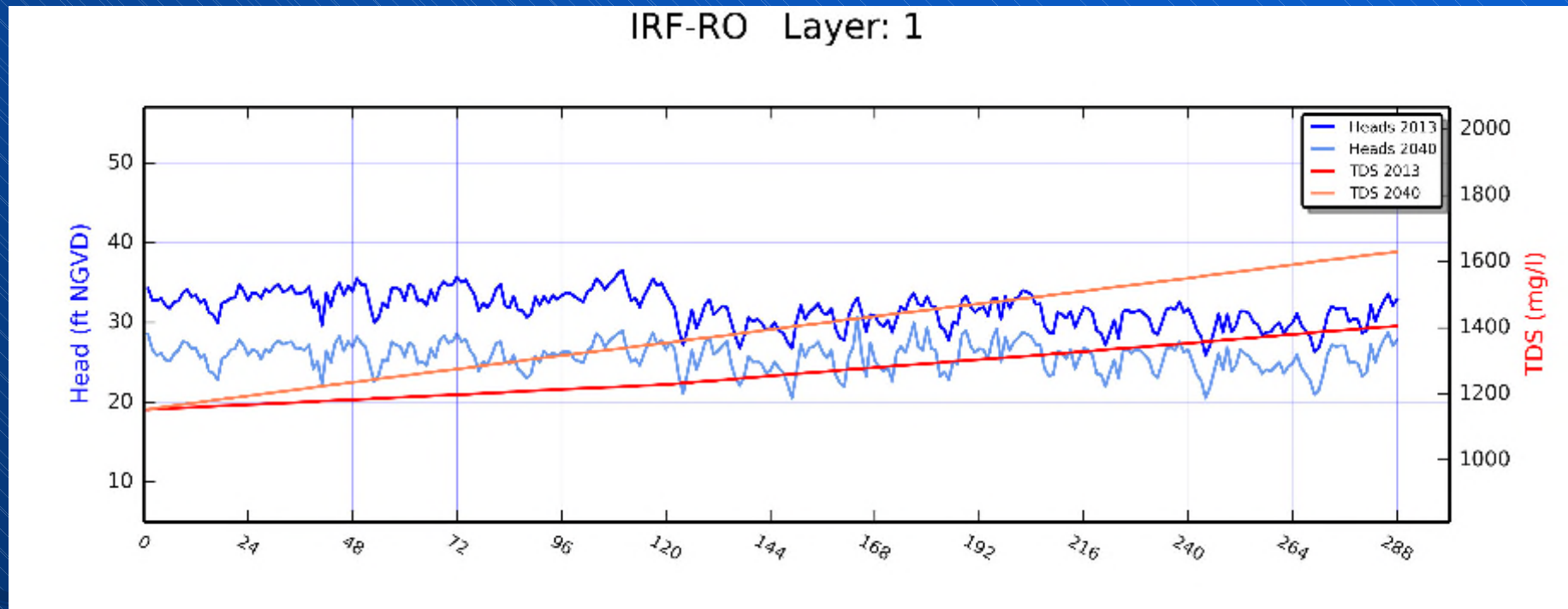
Example Graphic: Horizontal Flow Results



Hydrograph Example: Interactive Results



Hydrograph Example: Water Level and Quality for Period of Record



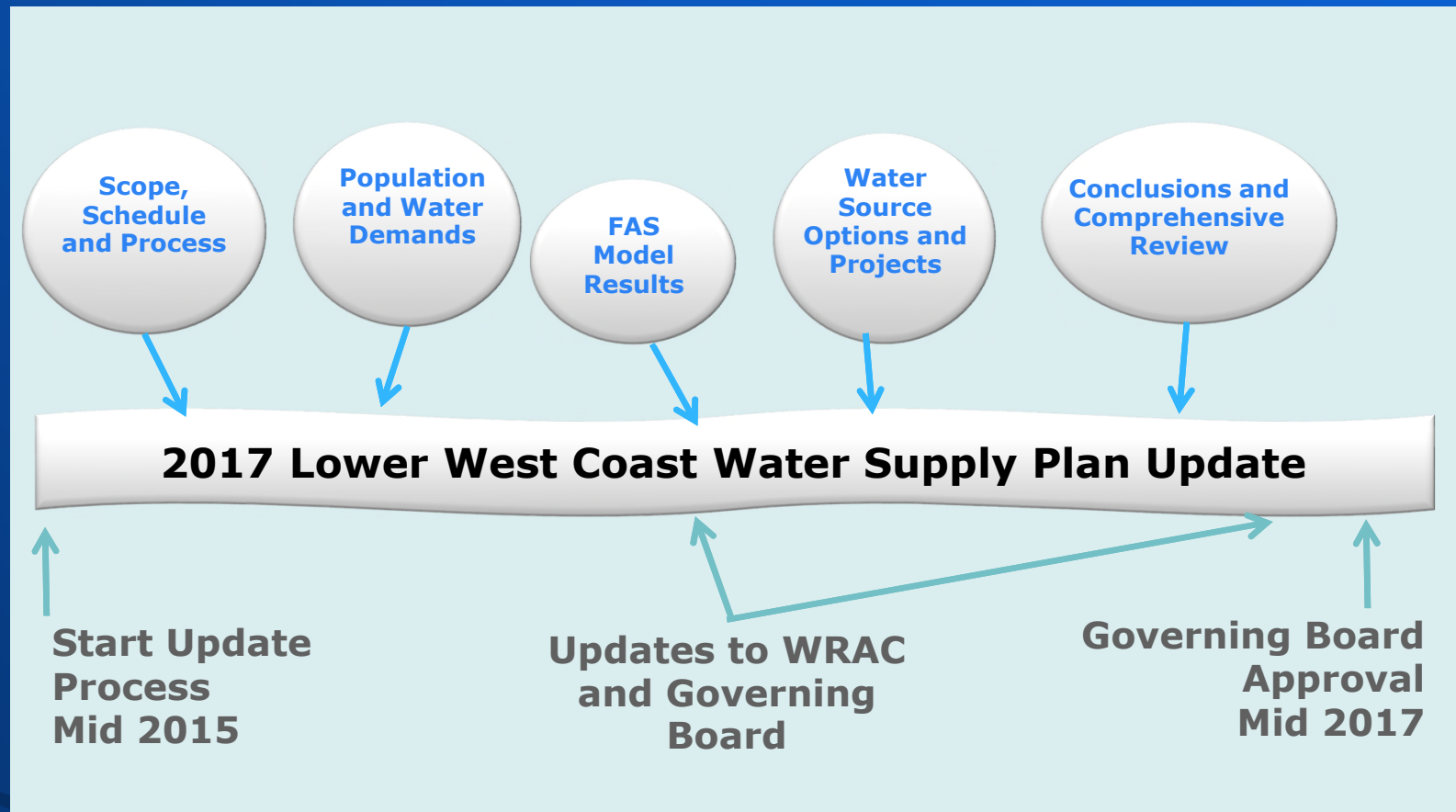
Discussion



Next Steps

Bob Verrastro

2017 Lower West Coast Water Supply Plan Schedule



2016 FAS Modeling Schedule

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| • Model development and calibration | Winter |
| • Stakeholder discussions | Winter |
| • Public workshop | Mid Spring |
| • Simulations | Late Spring |
| • Post results | Early Summer |
| • Public workshop | Mid Summer |
| • Model documentation | Late Summer |

Key Activities

- Continue to incorporate latest data into model
- Complete calibration
- Finalize future demand projections for all use categories by aquifer

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