



St. Johns River

Water Management District

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Flat Island Preserve
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Dear NAME:

The St. Johns River Water Management District is seeking your input as part of our work to develop minimum flows and levels (MFLs) for the Upper Ocklawaha River Basin (UORB) — including lakes Apopka, Beauclair, Dora, Eustis, Harris, Griffin, and Yale in Lake, Marion and Orange counties.

MFLs are the minimum water flows and/or levels adopted by the District's Governing Board as necessary to prevent significant harm to the water resources or ecology of an area resulting from permitted water withdrawals.

One component of setting MFLs is gathering information through a survey of businesses, residents and recreational users to determine the potential impacts of water levels on businesses and recreational users. Results from the survey will assist the District in assessing whether the draft MFLs for these lakes would provide protection for recreation and navigation. District staff seek to gather data that will describe water-related recreation facilities, recreational activities and primary recreational functions that could be affected by the lakes' water levels.

We invite you to share your knowledge of and experiences on these lakes through our brief online survey. Please visit floridaswater.com/upperocklawahariver/survey to access the survey through January 30, 2015. Links to more detailed information about MFLs are also available on the survey web page.

For more information or questions, please contact Sonny Hall at shall@sjrwmd.com or (386) 329-4368.

Sincerely,

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Initiative Director
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