

WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER CONTAMINATION

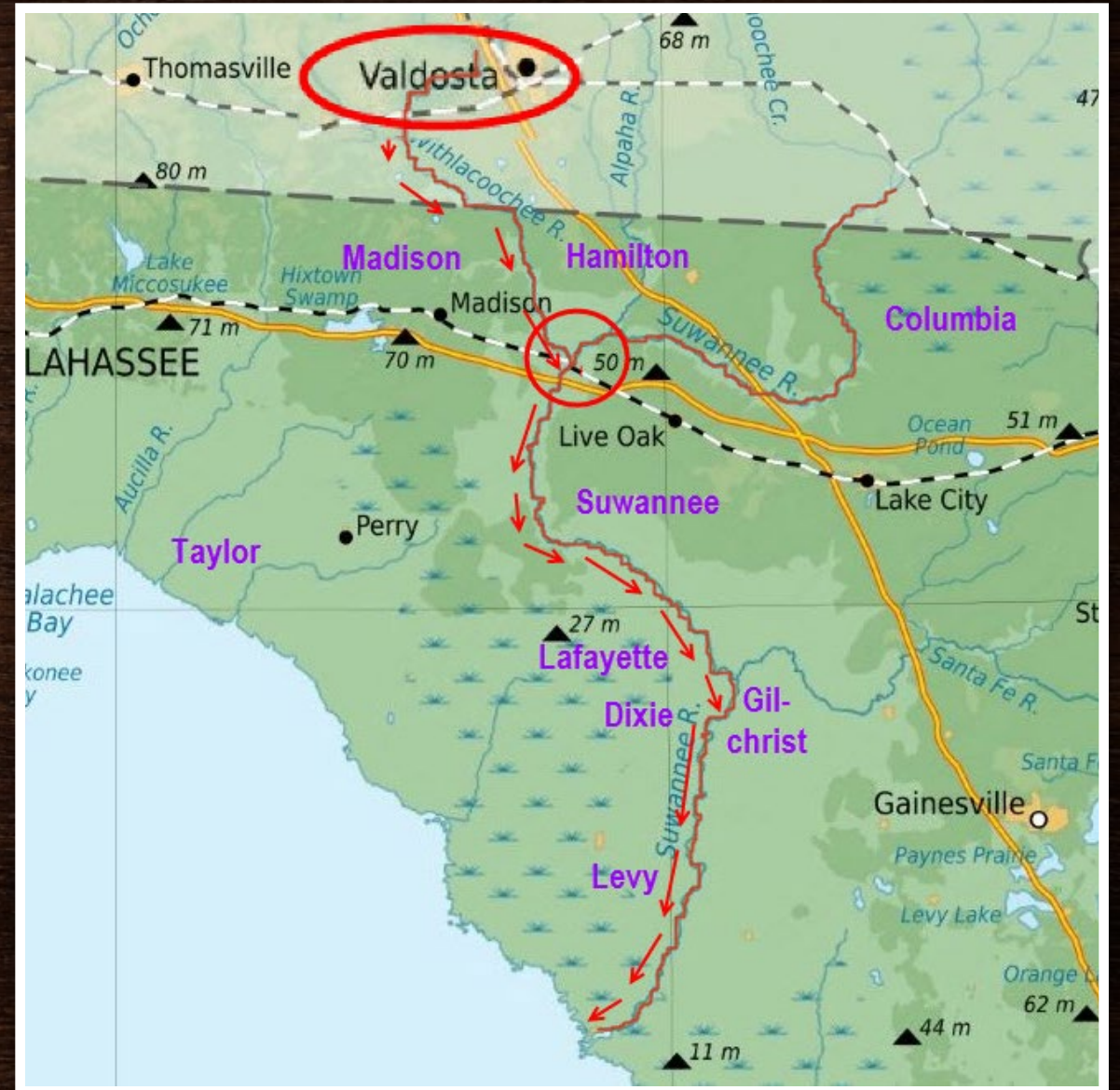


...A FARMER'S PERSPECTIVE

Lay of the Land

Enters the State of Florida in Madison County and meanders south

Major tributary to the Suwannee River and home to a Outstanding Florida Spring (OFS)



The Issue

- Constant contamination of the river due to negligence from the city of Valdosta, Ga and the State of Georgia
- Health and drinking water concerns
- Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Limits and unrealistic requirements



Stakeholder Interests

- Health
- Recreation
- Wildlife
- Leisure
- Regional Agricultural Use



The Meeting

Identify the common interests

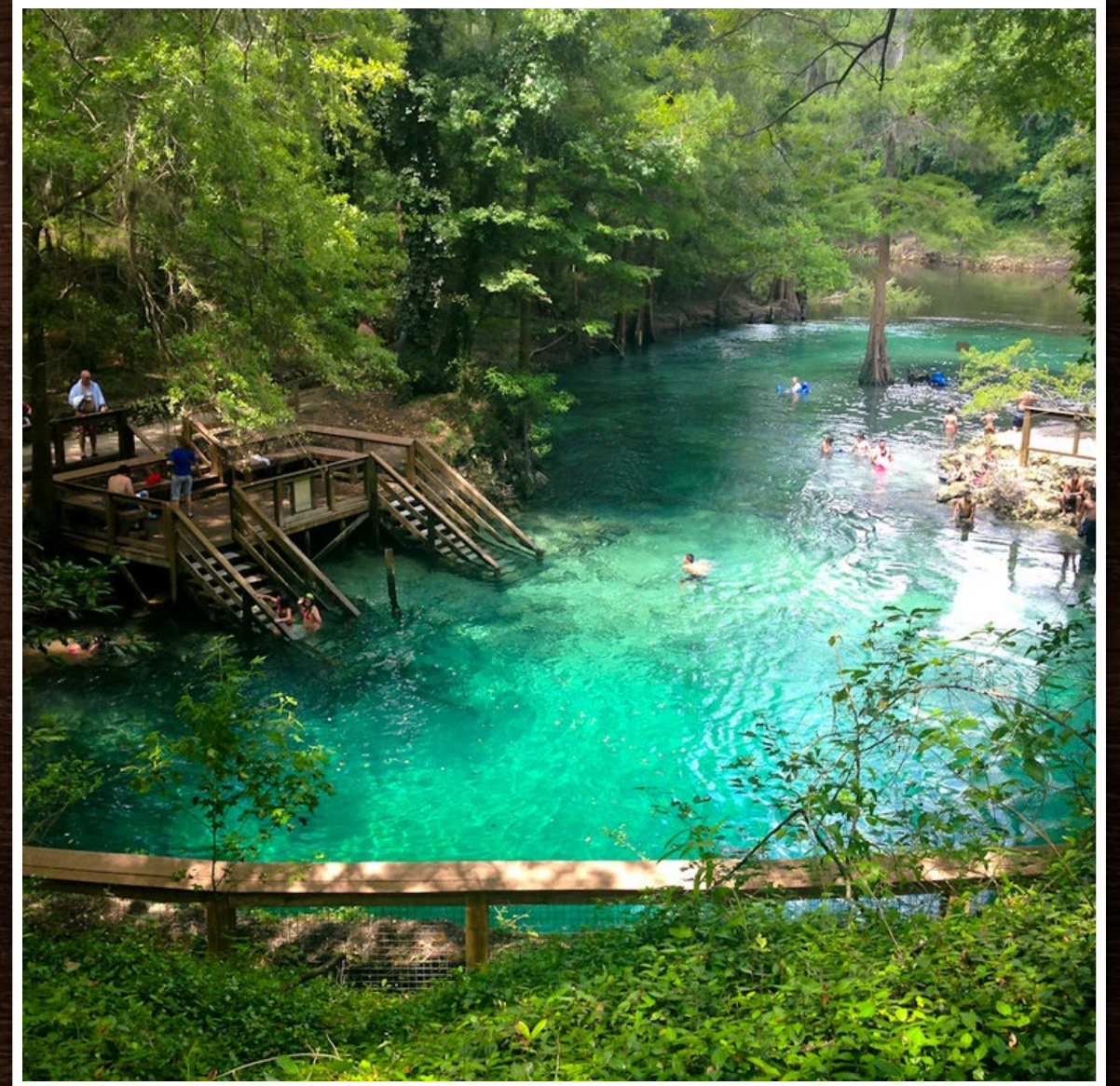
Learn more of what is being done to remedy the situation

Facilitate Collaborative Engagement (MCSWCD, SRWMD, MBOCC, FDEP, FDACS, FWCC, Public, etc.)



The Meeting Mechanics

- Meeting time June 16, 2021 at 3:15
- Structured to be preceded by a formal MCSWCD Board Meeting with Commissioners
- MSP facilitation utilizing scenarios planning/interactions
- Bi- directional Feedback to determine way(s)-ahead



Next Steps

- Disseminate meeting determinations for mutual understanding
- Continue to formulate the process as additional stakeholders are identified
- Engage in the process until a mutual solution is achieved



Questions