Background

- Protection of ground and surface water resources has to be one of the highest priorities in Florida.

- Water resources are being competed for:
  - Natural resource uses
  - Man oriented uses:
    - Potable
    - Agricultural
    - Industrial
    - Recreational

Nowhere is water resource competition more keenly felt than in the Tampa Bay area where:

- Documented natural resources impacts exist
- Existing groundwater pumping is mandated to be cut from 192 mgd to 90 mgd by 2008
- New water supplies: 85 mgd must be brought on line by 2008; additionally 17 mgd of conservation/resuse by 2005

Tampa Bay Water Major Water Supply Projects

- Alafia River
- Tampa Bypass Canal
- Hillsborough River
- Regional Reservoir
- New Treatment Facility
- Cone Ranch
- Two Rivers Ranch
- Brandon Wellfield
- Cypress Bridge II
- Seawater Desalination
- Brackish Water Desalination
- Desalination II
- Pipelines