



# Program for Resource Efficient Communities

We promote application of design, construction and management practices that minimize environmental degradation and make more efficient use of energy, water and other natural resources in master planned residential communities.



# **Growth Issues**

# Land Development

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# Oakland Park

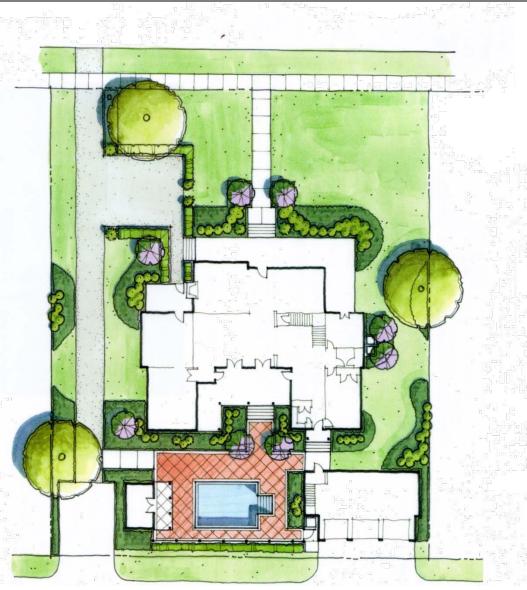






Master Plan

#### Oakland Park



#### FRONT YARD

Trees ..... minimum of 2 canopy trees

and 2 accent trees

Shrubs . . . . . . . . 20% minimum

Groundcover ..15% minimum

Turf ......60% maximum

#### SIDE YARD

Trees ..... minimum of 1 canopy tree

and 2 accent trees

Shrubs . . . . . . . . 30% minimum

Groundcover ..0% minimum

Turf ......70% maximum

#### **ALLEY YARD**

Shrubs . . . . . . . . . 30% minimum

Groundcover ..0% minimum

Turf .....70% maximum

#### Oakland Avenue Lot

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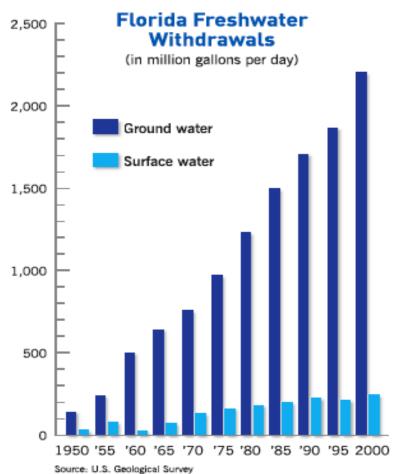




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# Water Supply

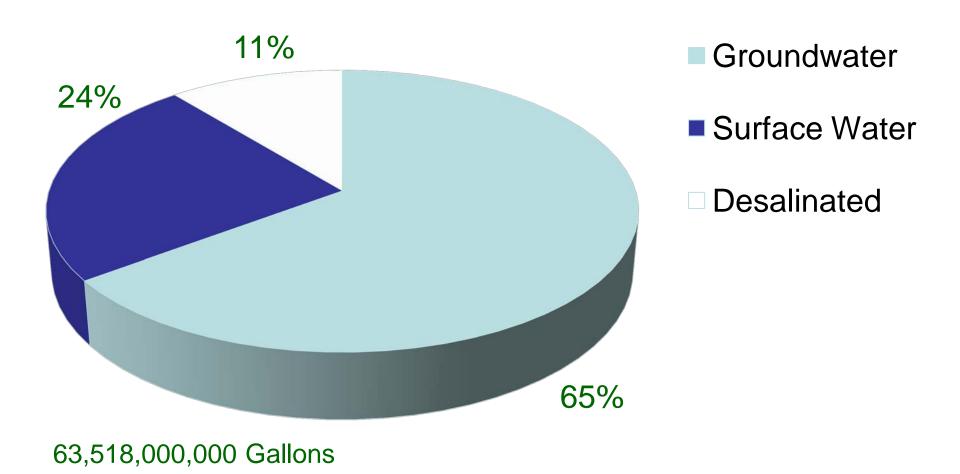
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#### Tampa Bay Water Desalinization Facility



# Water Supply



TBW - 2008 Water Produced

# St. Petersburg Times

Man jailed for brown lawn gets help

from neighbors

By Erin Sullivan, Times Staff Writer In print: Monday, October 13, 2008

BAYONET POINT — "He's in prison for God knows how long because we can't afford to sod the lawn," said his sobbing daughter, Jennifer Lehr.

Prudente has owned a home in the deed restricted community since 1998. The covenants require homeowners to keep their lawns covered with grass.



Free from jail, Joseph Prudente, 66, inspects his new lawn with pride Sunday. Prudente, who says he barely has enough to pay the mortgage, was jailed for having a brown lawn.

# St. Petersburg Times

# Tampa Bay Water makes last withdrawal from tapped out reservoir

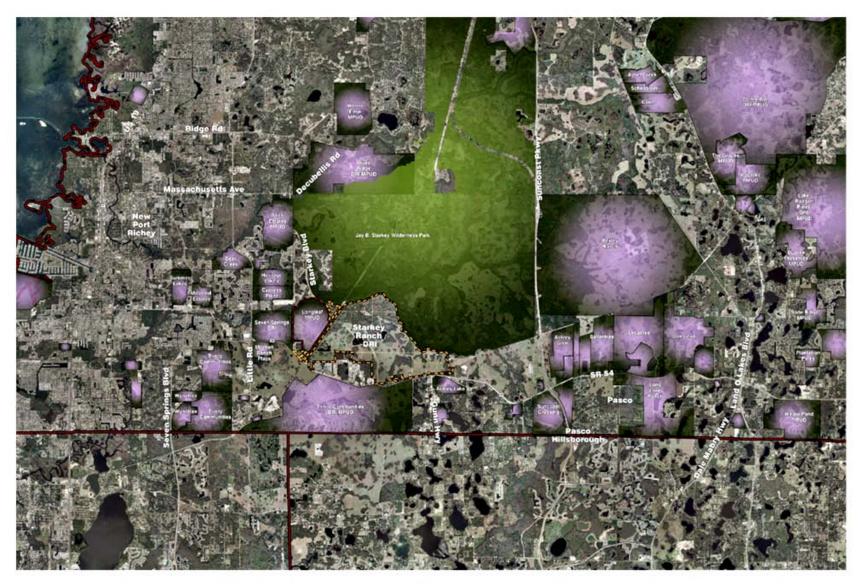
By Craig Pittman, Times Staff Writer In Print: Saturday, March 14, 2009

Get used to having a brown lawn for a while. As of this week, Tampa Bay Water has virtually drained its 15 billiongallon reservoir.



From now until the summer rainy season, it must rely on its two remaining sources of water: its sometimes troubled desalination plant and the dwindling supply in the underground aquifer. "It's going to be a long couple of months waiting for the rainy season," Tampa Bay Water spokeswoman Michelle Robinson said Friday.

# Land Development



South Pasco County

# **Growth Trends**

HB 697















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#### Office of the Secretary

# The Implementation of House Bill 697

The Florida Legislature recently enacted HB 697 that establishes new local planning requirements relating to energy efficient land use patterns, transportation strategies to address greenhouse



gas reductions, energy conservation, and energy efficient housing. These new requirements became effective on July 1, 2008.

#### **Growth Trends**

# GHG Accounting: Landscapes

http://buildgreen.ufl.edu/news.htm

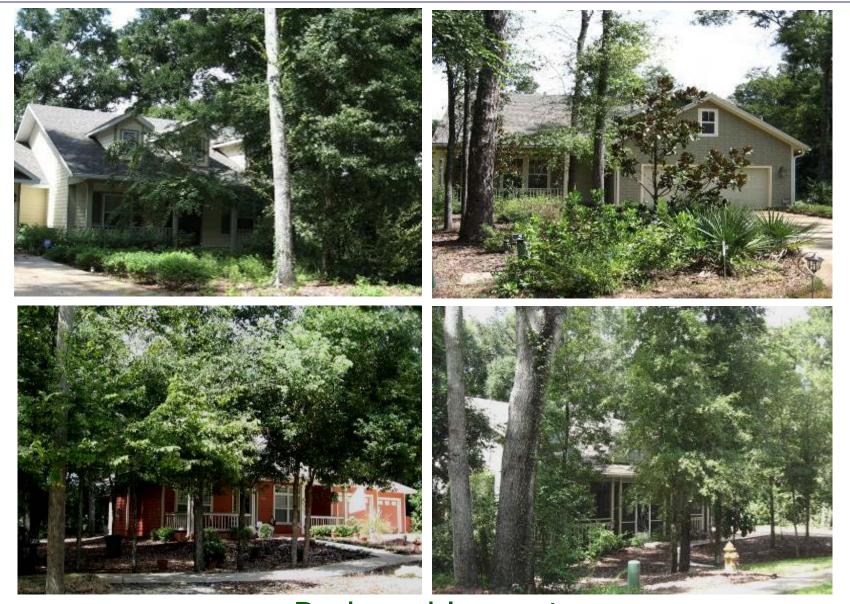








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Reduced Impact

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**Conventional Practice** 

Estimated GHG Emissions/1000 ft<sup>2</sup> Landscaped Area:

- Fertilization
- Irrigation (TBW 2008 water\*) 120
- Mowing15

Total 165 lbs CO<sub>2</sub>e/yr \*Accounting for the Carbon Costs of Alternative Water Supplies in Florida

Estimated GHG Emissions/1000 ft<sup>2</sup> Landscaped Area:

- Fertilization
- Irrigation (TBW groundwater\*) 34
- Mowing 15
- Pesticides
   Total
   79 lbs CO<sub>2</sub>e/yr

UF FLORIDA \*Accounting for the Carbon Costs of Alternative Water Supplies in Florida

# Estimated GHG Emissions/1000 ft<sup>2</sup> Landscaped Area:

- Fertilization
- Irrigation (TBW surface water\*) 48
- Mowing 15
- Pesticides



# Estimated GHG Emissions/1000 ft<sup>2</sup> Landscaped Area:

- Fertilization
- Irrigation (TBW desal water\*) 579
- Mowing15
- Pesticides



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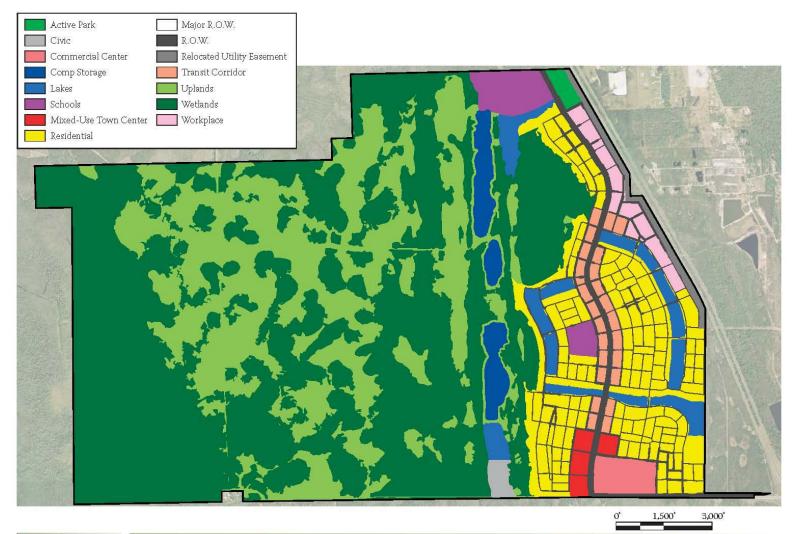
# Development Scale Impacts (Restoration)

















# Baldwin Park



Mixed Use TND/Transit-Oriented Development

Single Family	2006	2009
• 40'	200	700
• 50'	200	700
• 60'	250	275
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Land Use (ac)		<u>2006</u>	2009
<ul> <li>Preserved</li> </ul>		2,814	3,769
<ul> <li>Impervious</li> </ul>		1,029	663
<ul> <li>Landscaped</li> </ul>		<u>475</u>	<u> 191</u>
	Totals	5.187	5,187



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<u>Practices</u>		2006	2009			
<ul> <li>Fertilization</li> </ul>		272	109			
<ul> <li>Irrigation (groundwate</li> </ul>	r)	320	129			
<ul><li>Mowing</li></ul>		140	56			
<ul> <li>Pesticides</li> </ul>		9	4			
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# Development Order Requirements:

Landscaping Standards...

To ensure homeowners are in compliance with the requirements for minimal to no added inputs of water and synthetic fertilizers and pesticides, the HOA/CDD covenants shall include provision for a third party field contractor/on-site naturalist for long-term environmental monitoring (including water quality, potable water usage and biodiversity) and education to ensure environmental goals are met.

# **Growth Trends**

# Summary

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### Florida's Land Development Environment:

- Conventional practices are failing
- Tested, better practices are available
- Developers are not resistant



# Guidelines for New Developments

#### Design/specify alternative landscapes/practices:

- Eliminate all irrigation w/ potable water
- Minimize irrigation even w/ reclaimed water
- Compact design, minimize disturbance
- Minimize/eliminate fertilization
- Manage total community water budgets

