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Adaptation, Emergency Management, and Hazard Mitigation in Southeast Florida Webinar

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Topics

- MDWASD Overview
- Development of Integrated Master Plan
- Assumptions on Climate Change and Considerations
- Tools to Assess Climate Change Impacts
- Existing Mitigation and Adaptation Measures
- Previous Experience with Natural Disasters



MDWASD Overview

Largest water and sewer utility in Florida, serving more than 2.2 million residents

Water System:

- > 3 large regional and 5 small water treatment plants
- Supplying an average of 305 million gallons per day (MGD)
- > 90% of the County's public water supply
- Per capita water use 132 gpcd
- > 14 wholesale customers
- ➤ 424,764 retail customers
- ➤ 100 water supply wells
- > 7,918 miles of pipes
- > 38,204 fire hydrants
- > 126,000 valves





MDWASD Overview (continued)

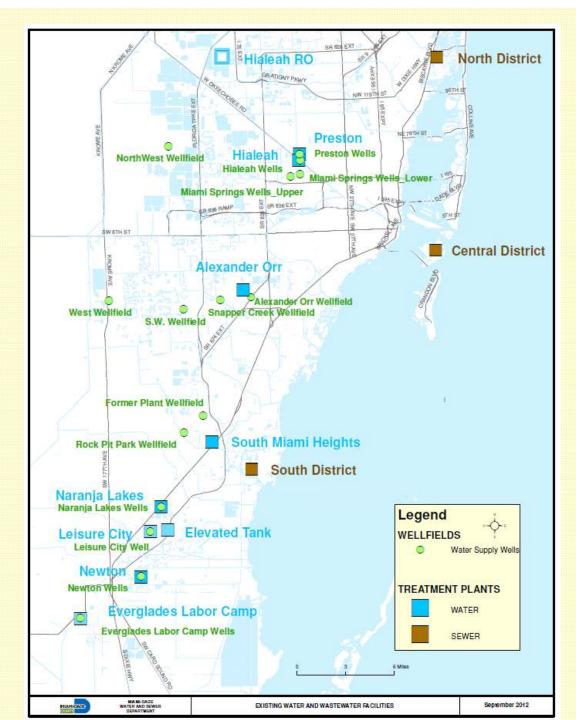
Wastewater System:

- > 3 wastewater treatment plants
- ➤ 2 ocean outfalls and 21 deep injection wells
- ➤ Collecting, treating, and disposing 325 MGD
- > 342,539 retail customers
- > 13 wholesale customers
- ▶ 6,277 miles of mains and laterals
- ➤ 1,042 sewer pumps stations
- ➤ Reusing 10.2 MGD







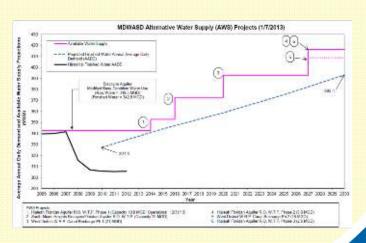


Water & Wastewater Treatment Facilities

Integrated Master Plan

(Water, Wastewater, & Reclaimed Water)

- Updated demand projections to 2035
- Alternative water supply (including reclaimed water)
- Plan to address State 2008 Ocean Outfall Legislation (no ocean discharge after 2025)
- New wastewater treatment plant in the West
- Infrastructure improvements
- Redundancy analysis
- Climate Change impacts
- Energy savings projects





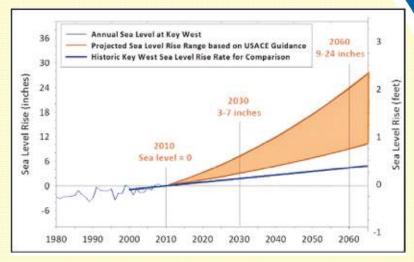
Assumptions on Climate Change Impacts

- 3 ft SLR by 2075
- Saltwater intrusion in water supply wellfields
- Increased flooding and infiltration and inflow

Impacts from storm surges

on coastal facilities

Drought conditions







Tools to Assess Climate Change Impacts

- Integrated surface/groundwater model for Biscayne aquifer:
 - > changes in precipitation
 - ➤ land use (ET & recharge)
 - > SLR
 - > canal operations
- Groundwater model of Florida aquifer:
 - changes in salinity
- Storm surge assessment for coastal facilities



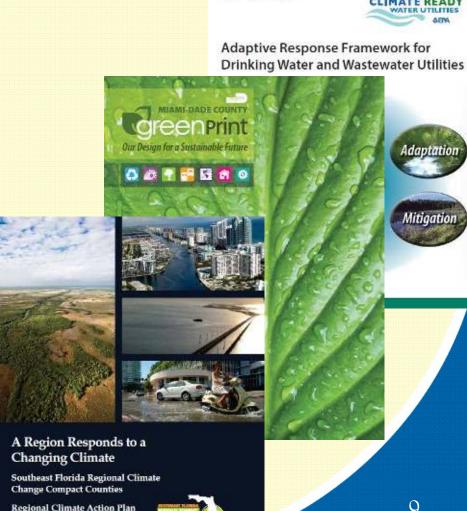


Guidance Documents

October 2012

- Miami-Dade County GreenPrint:
 - Miami-Dade County Climate Change Advisory Task Force
 - > The Mayor's Sustainability **Advisory Board**
- Southeast Florida Regional Climate Action Plan
- EPA's Climate Ready Water Utilities





Existing Adaptation and Mitigation Measures

- Water conservation
- Emergency backup power
- Standby pumps in all pump stations
- SCADA at all major plants, pump stations w/malfunction alarms
- 24/7 Emergency Call Center
- Parallel trains at all wastewater treatment plants
- Large inventory of portable power generators, piping, valves, and fittings
- Contracts with construction firms for emergency repairs







Previous Experience with Natural Disaster

Hurricane Andrew, August 1992:

- Category 4
- 16 ft. storm surge
- 140 mph winds
- Back in service in approximately 30 days
- New design approaches, like enclosing emergency generators





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