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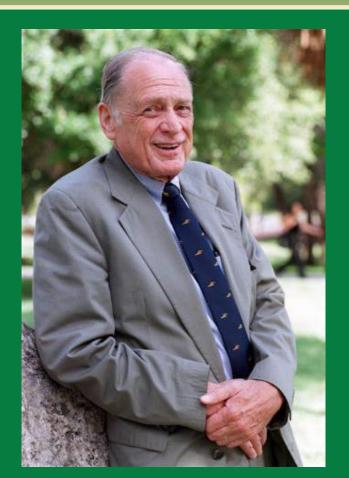
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Timothee Sallin



- Actively involved in water conservation, sustainable landscaping and responsible agriculture in Florida over the past 15 years through role as President of Cherrylake.
- Cherrylake is a vertically integrated landscape company providing commercial landscape and irrigation construction and maintenance services and is the largest grower of ornamental trees, palms and shrubs in the State of Florida.
- Cherrylake and sister company IMG Citrus manage over 6,000 acres of land in Florida and have a long track record of sustainable land management and stewardship.
- Passionate about connecting people to plants and promoting healthy ecosystems within our urban environments.
- Actively involved in promoting environmental best practices across diverse industries through collaboration with industry associations such as ULI, ASLA and FNGLA as well as through research and development partnerships with UF IFAS and the SJRWMD.
- A graduate of New College in Sarasota Florida earning a degree in Economics and International Studies.
- Lives in Clermont with wife Ellen and daughter Aria; son Tristan is an undergraduate student at Georgia Institute of Technology.

Pierce Jones



- Professor at the University of Florida
- Directs Program for Resource Efficient Communities
- An interdisciplinary group that promotes the adoption of "best design, construction and management practices" in master planned developments
- Program directly participates in land development and building projects that adopt and demonstrate "green" practices
- PhD in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Florida in 1980





Sustainable Landscaping Principles and Practices







1 Sustainable Landscaping:

To provide equivalent value to society with landscaping while minimizing the use of inputs, primarily: water, nutrients, horticultural chemicals, labor, fuel and equipment.







Sustainable Landscaping:

To increase the societal value landscaping provides by incorporating functional and environmental goals such as: stormwater management, water quality, wildlife habitat, heat reduction, energy efficiency, economic development and human health and well being.







THE FUTURE IN FLORIDA



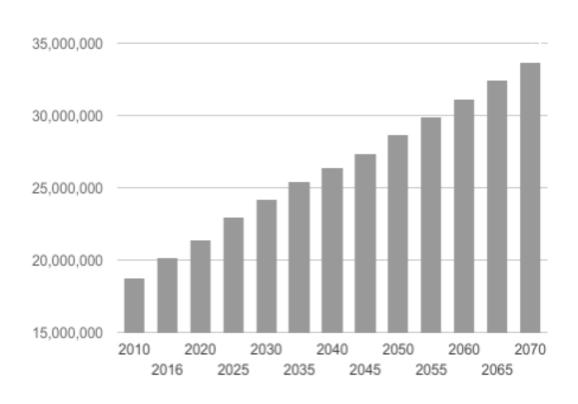








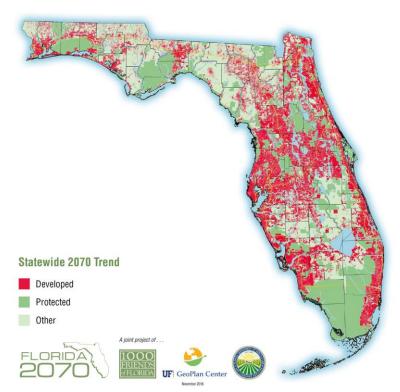
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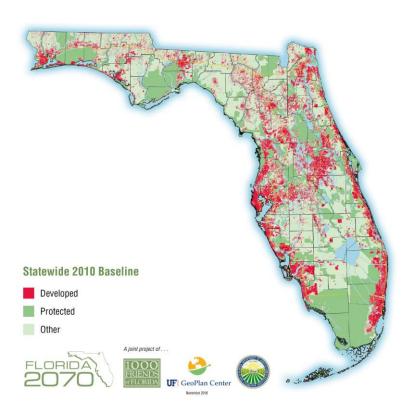
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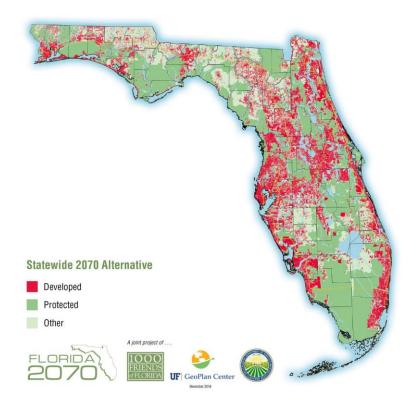




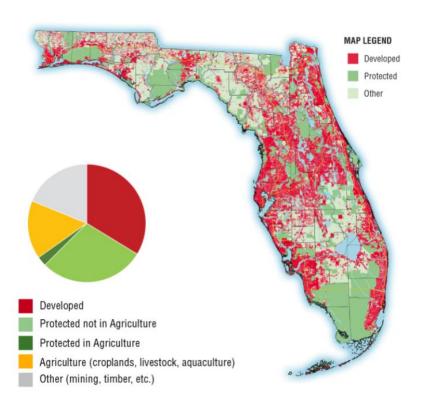
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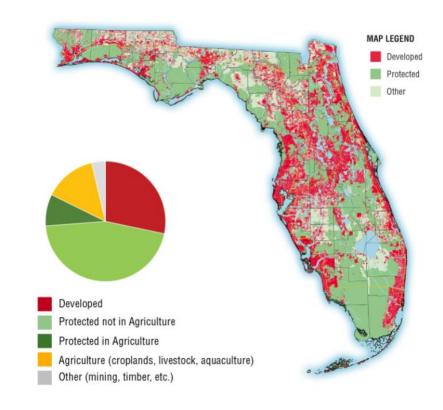
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2070 TREND



2070 ALTERNATIVE





Context Florida Land Development:

Current Conventional Practice

Florida Land Development

Conventional Practice









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Conventional Practice









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.

Development Impacts:

Water Supply

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

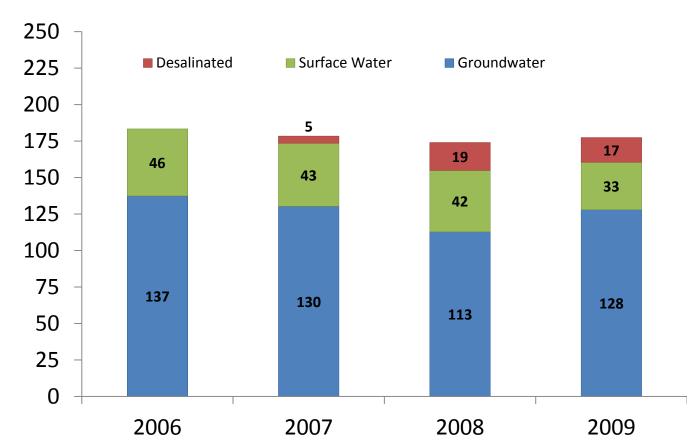
Get used to having a brown lawn for a while. As of this week, Tampa Bay Water has virtually drained its 15 billiongallon reservoir.



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.

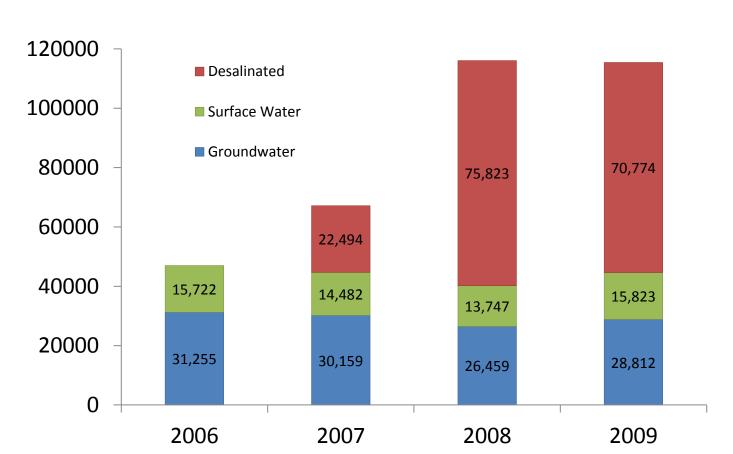
Water Supply

TBW Annual Production by Supply Type (MGD)



Water Supply

TBW Carbon Footprint by Supply Type (mtons CO₂e)



Development Impacts:

Water Quality

POLICYFORUM

Controlling Eutrophication: Nitrogen and Phosphorus

Daniel J. Conley, Hans W. Paerl, Robert W. Howarth, Donald F. Boesch, Sybil P. Seitzinger, Karl E. Havens, Christiane Lancelot, Gene E. Likens

The need to reduce anthropogenic nutrient inputs to aquatic ecosystems in order to protect drinking water supplies and to reduce eutrophication, including the proliferation of harmful algal blooms and "dead zones" in coastal marine eco-systems has been widely recognized. ...a cascading set of consequences has been set in motion, arising from massive increases in fixed N additions to the biosphere, largely through the production of fertilizers and increases in fossil fuel emissions. P levels have also significantly increased because of fertilizer use, as well as from wastewater.







Florida Land Development

Conventional Practice







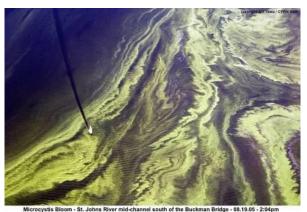


Water Quality (2005)

St Johns River, FL









Microcystis Bloom - East bank of the St, Johns River - Mandarin - 08.19.05 - 2:42pm copyright BN Takes / CYTRI 2005 at hights reserved

Water Quality

2005 Fertilizer Consumption (Tons/yr):

■ Clay 1,190	5,230
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■ Nassau 1,540 2,040

■ Duval 3,970 23,500

St Johns 22,780 3,480



Water Quality (2018)

Southwest Florida







Development Impacts:

Landscaping

Conventional Practices









UF Recommended Practices



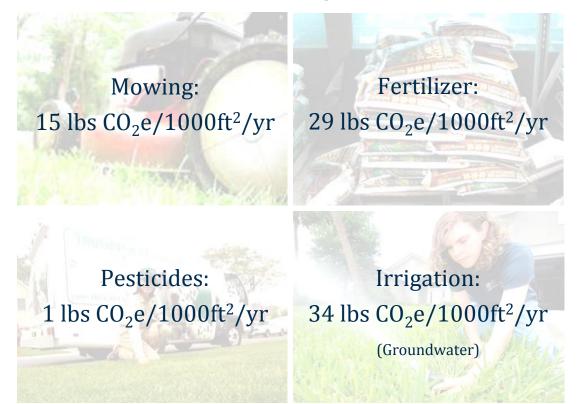
Table 2. Fertilization Guidelines for Established Turfgrass Lawns in Three Regions of Florida

Nitrogen recommendations (lbs N/1000 ft²/year)*

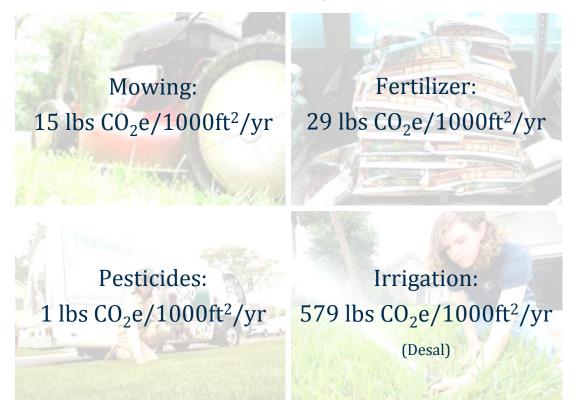
Species	North	Central	South
Bahiagrass	2-3	2-4	2-4
Bermudagrass	3-5	4-6	5-7
Centipedegrass	1-2	2-3	2-3
St. Augustinegrass	2-4	2-5	4-6
Zoysiagrass	3-5	3-6	4-6

^{*} Homeowner preferences for lawn quality and maintenance will vary, so the UF Turfgrass Science program recommends a range of fertility rates for each grass species and location. Also, effects within a localized region (for instance, shade, drought, soil conditions and irrigation) will require using a range of fertility rates. FYN generally recommends applying no more than the lowest of the recommended fertilizer ranges. These recommendations assume that grass clippings are recycled.

Greenhouse Gas Accounting (Groundwater)



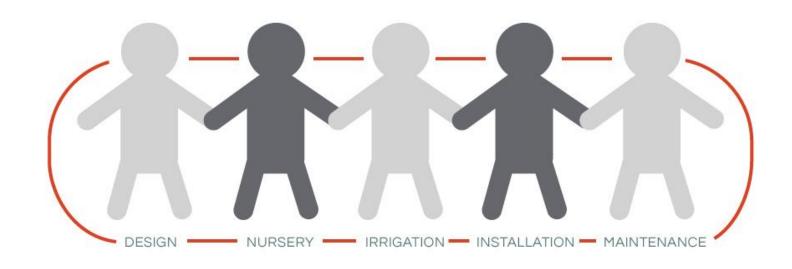
Greenhouse Gas Accounting (Desal)





CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Integrity



Continuity

Accountability



Design

Soils

Hydrology

Habitat Types

Plant Communities

Florida Friendly Principles



Design

Species Selection

Irrigation Design

Specifications and Standards

Construction Observation



Nursery

Root Systems

Genetics

Trunk & Crown

Inventory Availability



Irrigation

Pressure Regulation

Low Volume

Flow Sensors

Check Valves



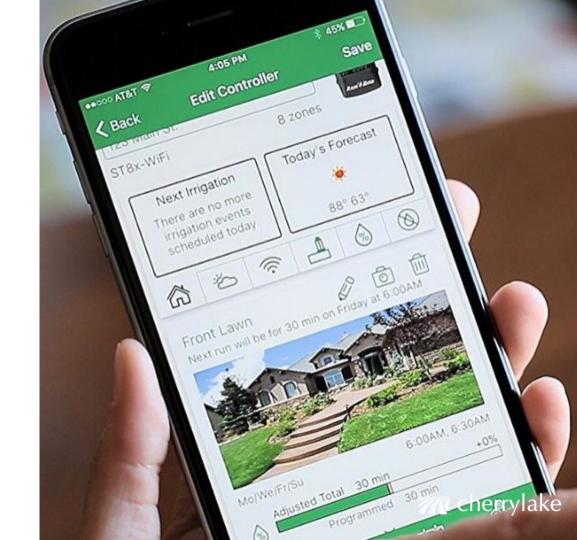
Irrigation

Smart Controllers

Central Control

Climatic Conditions

Quantitative Feedback



Installation

Promote Optimal Establishment

Minimize Stress

Secure Quality Nursery Stock

Adhere To Design Intent



Installation

Follow Best Practices

Focus on the Future

Turnover to Maintenance Team



Maintenance

Minimize Inputs

Optimize Plant Health

Quantify & Document

Employee Growth & Training



Maintenance

Landscape Asset Management

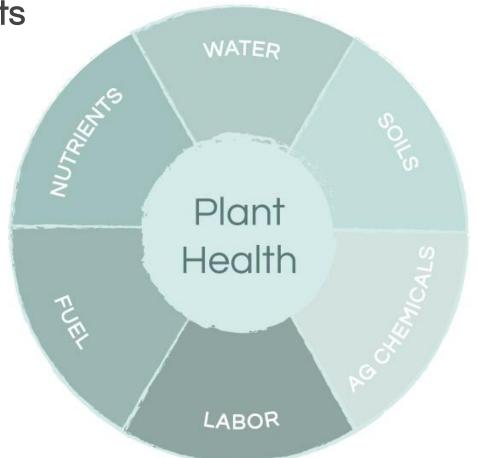
Long Term Planning

Community Engagement

Property Certification



Circle of Inputs





Victory Pointe Park















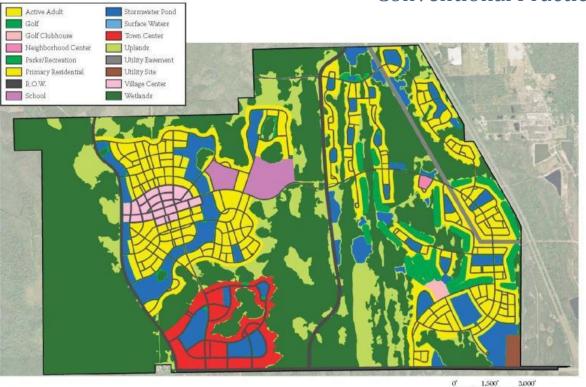


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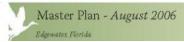
Restoration

Restoration 2006

Conventional Practice



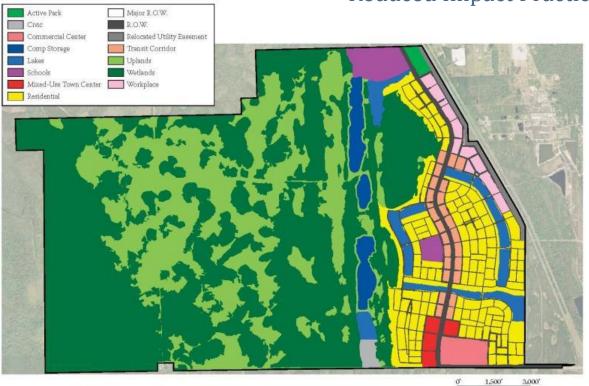






Restoration 2009

Reduced Impact Practice









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Quantifying Impacts:

Roads

Restoration's Road Infrastructure

Life Cycle Analysis (50 year life)

Inputs	2006 Plan	2009
• Miles:	Plan 72	39
Lane miles:	186	103
 Impervious area, ft² 	17,000,000	10,000,000
 Landscaped area, ft² 	6,000,000	3,000,000
• Cost	\$383,623,680	\$238,180,800
GHG Emissions		
Mtons CO2e/yr:	13,031	7,176
Metric tons	CO2e/yr avoided	d: 5,855
Initial costs avoided: \$145,442,880		

Quantifying Impacts:

Landscaping

Restoration 2009

Reduced Impact Design

- The largest lots are 60' wide
- Compact homes (45'x 70' lot) 375 ft² landscaped area
- Less than 25% of residences with lots designed for any turf







Landscaping Impacts – Restoration Designs

Resources Accounting

Inputs

 Landscaped Area - acres 	
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- Pesticides lbs
- Fertilizer lbs N
- Mowing gal gas
- Irrigation mgal

GHG Emissions

Mtons CO2e/yr:

2006 Plan	2009 Plan
988	428
2,240	345
135,000	18,400
33,000	4,460
988	63
PROBLEM VARIETY	

11,685 798

Metric tons CO2e/yr avoided: 10,900

Madera: Quantifying Impacts

Landscaping (2007)

Madera – Gainesville, FL



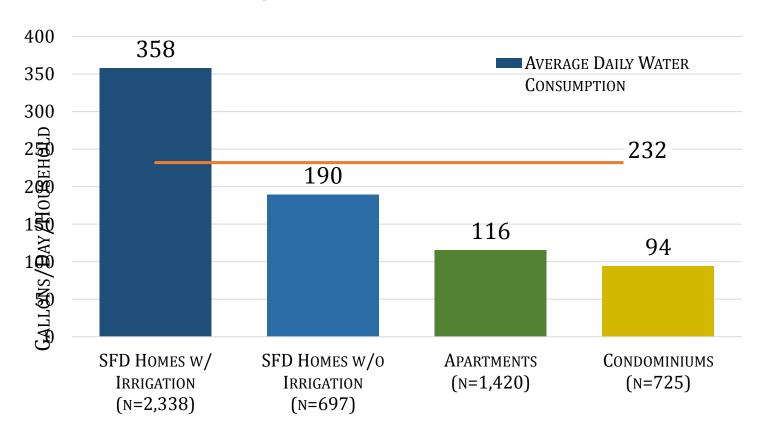






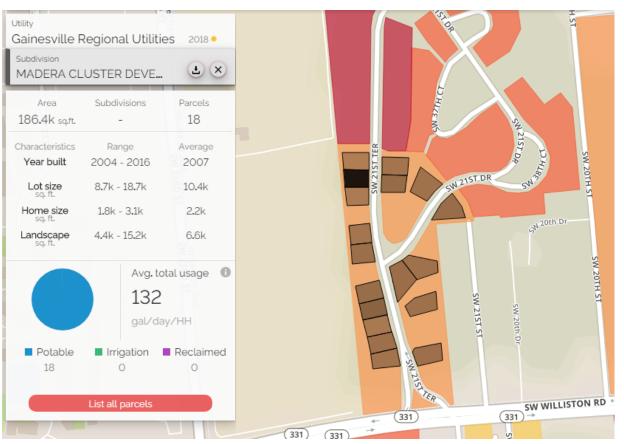
Water Consumption by Dwelling Unit Type

Gainesville Regional Utilites (2009 – 2013)



Water (2018)

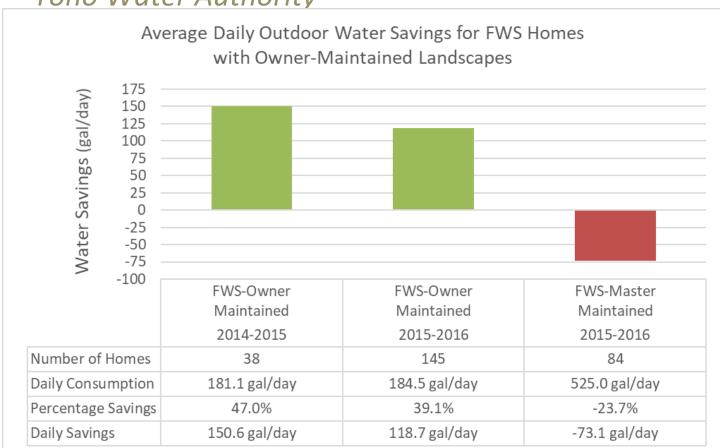
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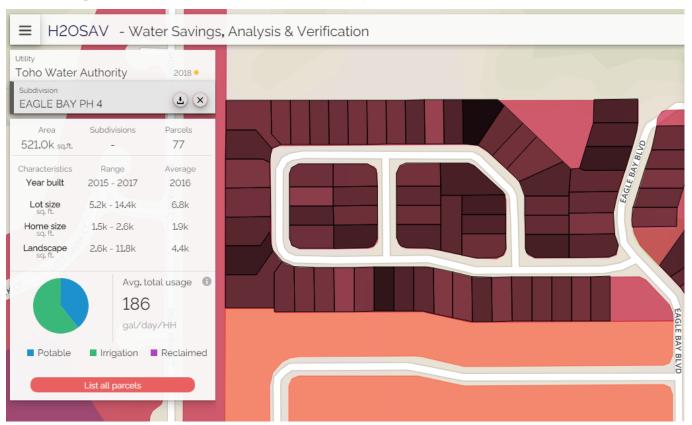
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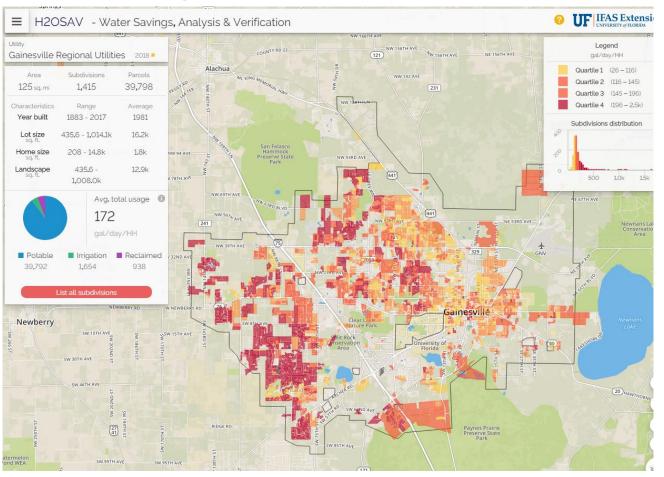
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Eagle Bay – Osceola County, FL



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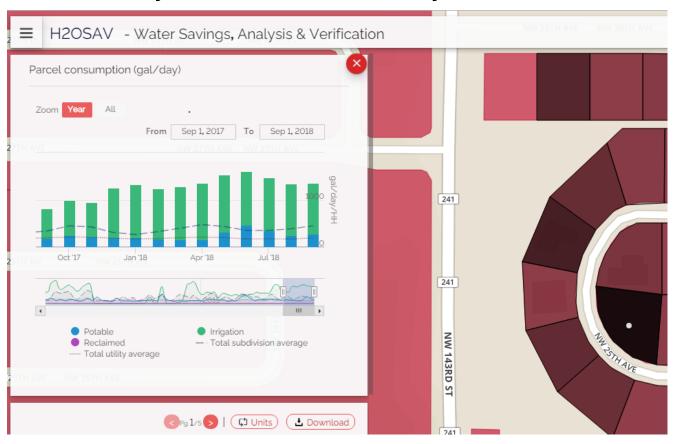
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Current Research Compost

Compost
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REASON

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POOR ROOT SYSTEM

Poor root system: Liner root ball was not root pruned as it was shifted into a #1 container.

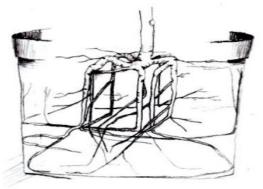


Figure 8b. Two months after shifting, roots that grew down and around the sides of the liner pot became woody and grew in diameter. These woody roots retained their original orientation, and many of the new roots produced in the #1 container grew from the bottom of the liner root hall.

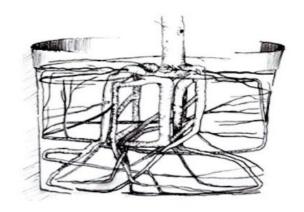


Figure 8c. Six months after shifting, the main woody roots that had been originally deflected by the liner pot continued to grow in diameter. Many roots that grew near the surface of the root ball originated near the bottom of the liner. The #1 container wall deflected a second set of roots up, down, and around. Some of these roots will become woody and grow into a second set of defects.



GOOD ROOT SYSTEM

Good root system: Liner root ball was shaved (Fig. 7) when shifted into a #1 container.

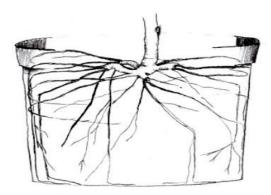


Figure 8d. Two months after root pruning and shifting, the new roots grew horizontally and downward. The roots at the top of the container originated from the top of the liner root ball, providing greater stability for the tree.

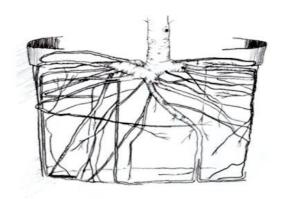


Figure 8e. Six months after root pruning and shifting, the main woody roots were oriented in a more natural form. Some main roots grew horizontally, while others grew downward. Both horizontal and vertical roots are needed for tree stability. The inner root ball was free from defects such as circling, stem-girdling, and kinked roots. However, this plant should be root pruned again when it is shifted to the next container size or planted in the ground.

Good root systems start in the nursery at propagation in the liner stage and require attention each time the tree is shifted into a larger container. Large main mother roots should grow straight from the trunk without circling the trunk or deflecting downwards...

Most defects such as circling roots in the root ball interior, can be mostly eliminated with appropriate and timely management in the nursery.

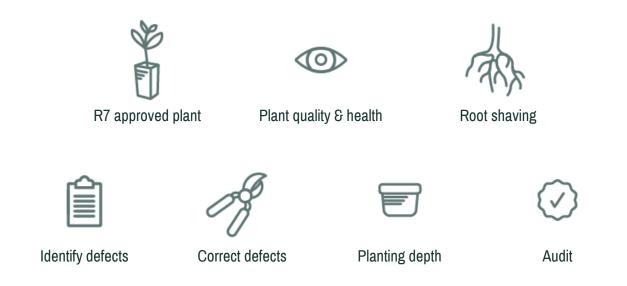
Gilman: Strategies for Growing a High-Quality Root System, Trunk and Crown in a Container Nursery





THE PROCESS

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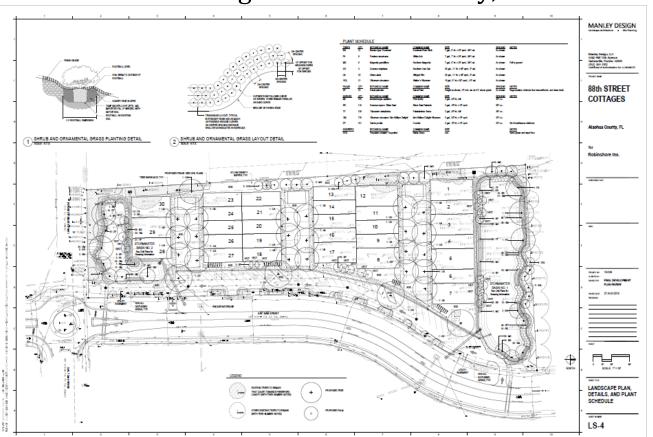
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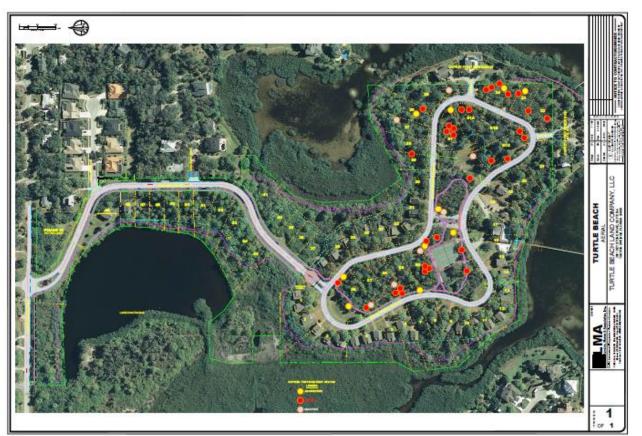
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88th Street Cottages – Alachua County, FL



Turtle Beach – Pinellas County, FL



Incentives

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Social Engagement



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