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Mr. Michael Delk, AICP
City of Clearwater
Planning and Development Director
P.O. Box 4748
Clearwater, Florida 33756

Re: Clearwater 17-1ESR

Dear: Mr. Delk:

The Southwest Florida Water Management has reviewed the referenced plan amendment. The following technical assistance comments are offered.

Regional Water Supply:

1) The Work Plan has not provided evidence of adequate water supplies for the entire planning horizon. This requires analyses addressing both water sources availability and projected water supply demand for the ten-year planning horizon. For additional information, see 163.3177, Florida Statutes and the following link:

http://www.floridajobs.org/docs/default-source/2015-community-development/community-planning/comp-plan/guidepreparation.pdf?sfvrsn=4

2) The Work Plan is required to identify conservation initiatives (e.g., irrigation restrictions enforcement, plumbing retrofits, etc.) needed to help meet water supply demand. We understand the Pinellas Utilities implements water conservation initiatives but encourage the City to actively participate in water conservation since it has land use authority within its boundaries. Water conservation measures appropriate for implementation include, but are not limited to, Florida Water Star, Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ and resident education. Additional information on these programs is available at the following links:

https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/conservation/florida_water_star/
http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/conservation/irrigating/
http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/ (see Florida-Friendly Landscaping and water conservation tabs)

3) The Work Plan is required to identify facilities needed for meeting water supply demand during the planning horizon. A discussion should be included providing assurances that facilities needed for water demand during the planning horizon are planned for.

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Floodplains and Floodprone Areas

4. No comment.

Wetlands and Other Surface Waters

5. No comment.

Thank you for this opportunity to participate in the review process. Please provide the District with a copy of the adopted amendment, including any supporting data and analysis. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Brooksville office at extension 4407 or trisha.neasman@watermatters.org.

Sincerely,

Trisha Neasman, AICP

Planning Lead

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