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# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - UTILITIES

## SE REGIONAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPDATE

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# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Motivation for the Project.
- Scope of the Project.
- History of the Project.
- Comparison of the Locations.
- Request for consensus on direction from Board.

# MOTIVATION FOR THE PROJECT

- Marion County is experiencing growth in the SE Region.
- Marion County Utilities provides water service to the region.
- The community has a need to increase Water Treatment Plant capacity.
- Minimum Flow and Level established for Silver Springs.
- Minimum Flow and Level being developed for Lake Weir.
- The community has a need to develop an alternative water supply.





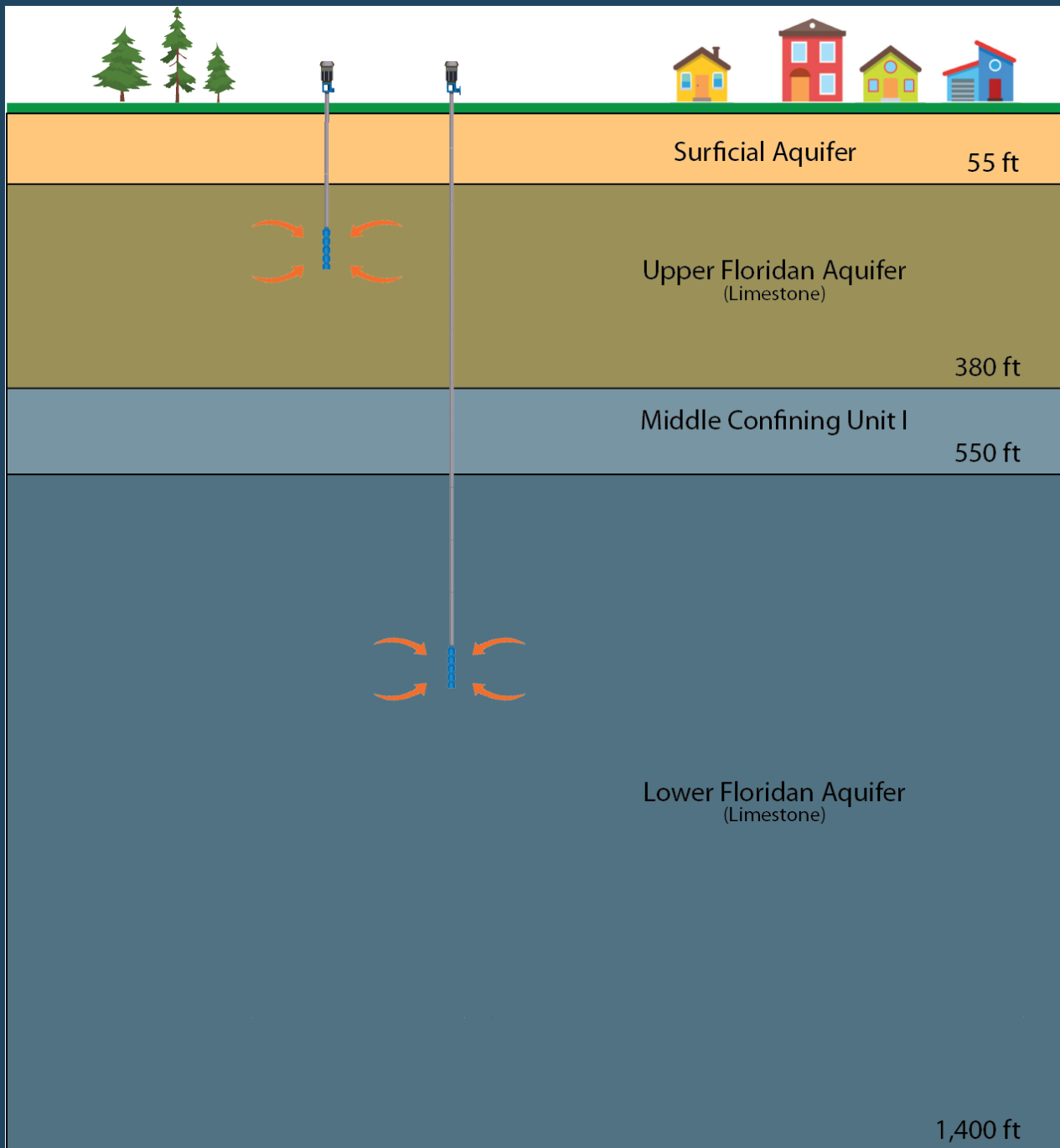
# SCOPE OF PROJECT



- Proposed Regional Drinking Water Plant
  - Wells
  - High Service Pump Building
  - Ground Storage Tank(s)
  - Treatment Equipment

- Develop Alternative Water Source via Lower Floridan Aquifer (LFA) Wells.
- Offsite transmission water mains.





- **Upper Floridan Aquifer (UFA)**
  - Relatively shallow – 50 ft. – 400 ft. BLS
  - Potential to interact with surface waterbodies like lakes and rivers
  - 100% of County wells utilize this source
  - Private wells utilize this source
- **Lower Floridan Aquifer (LFA)**
  - Deeper relative to UFA – 500 ft + BLS
  - Separated from UFA by impervious rock layer (must be verified for each site)
  - Less potential to interact with surface waterbodies
  - Deemed an alternative water supply source
  - Too deep for private wells

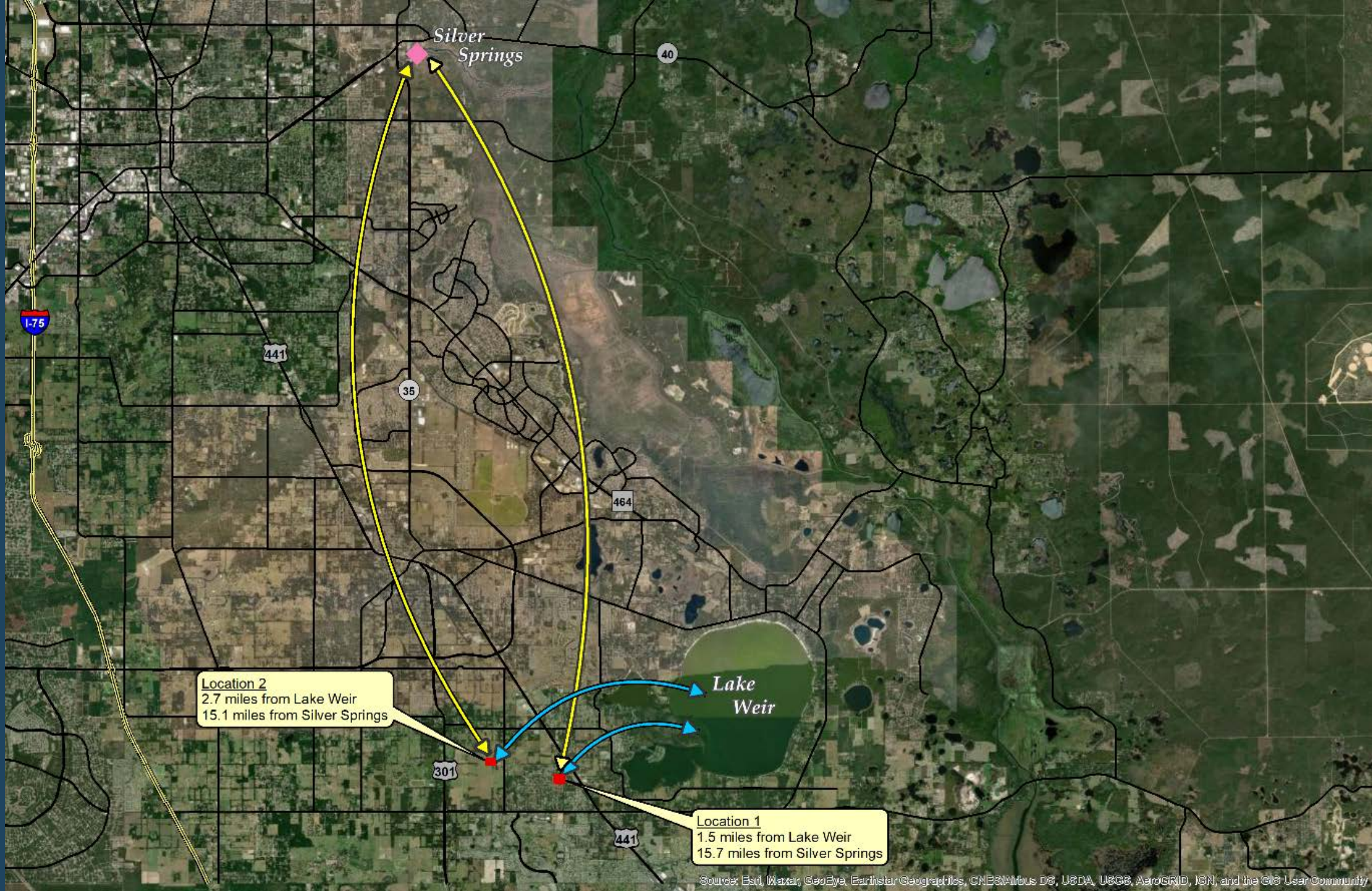
# PROJECT HISTORY

- 2017 Study performed that identified need for capacity.
- 2017 – 2018 Utilities staff began investigating potential sites.  
Identified Park owned property.
- 2018 – 2019 Performed Site Due Diligence for Park owned property.
- 2019 Special Use Permit process started for Park owned property.
- 2020 – 2021 Staff investigated alternative site and performed additional modeling and analysis to evaluate and compare two locations.
- 2021 Board Workshop to discuss findings.

# ANALYSIS OF LOCATIONS

- Two locations considered:
  - Location 1 – Existing Marion County Parks owned property.
  - Location 2 - Approved PUD WTP location.
- For each location staff and consultant analyzed:
  - Hydraulic (pipe) network to identify capacity of WTP.
  - Hydraulic (pipe) network to identify system improvements.
  - Hydrogeologic (groundwater) impacts.

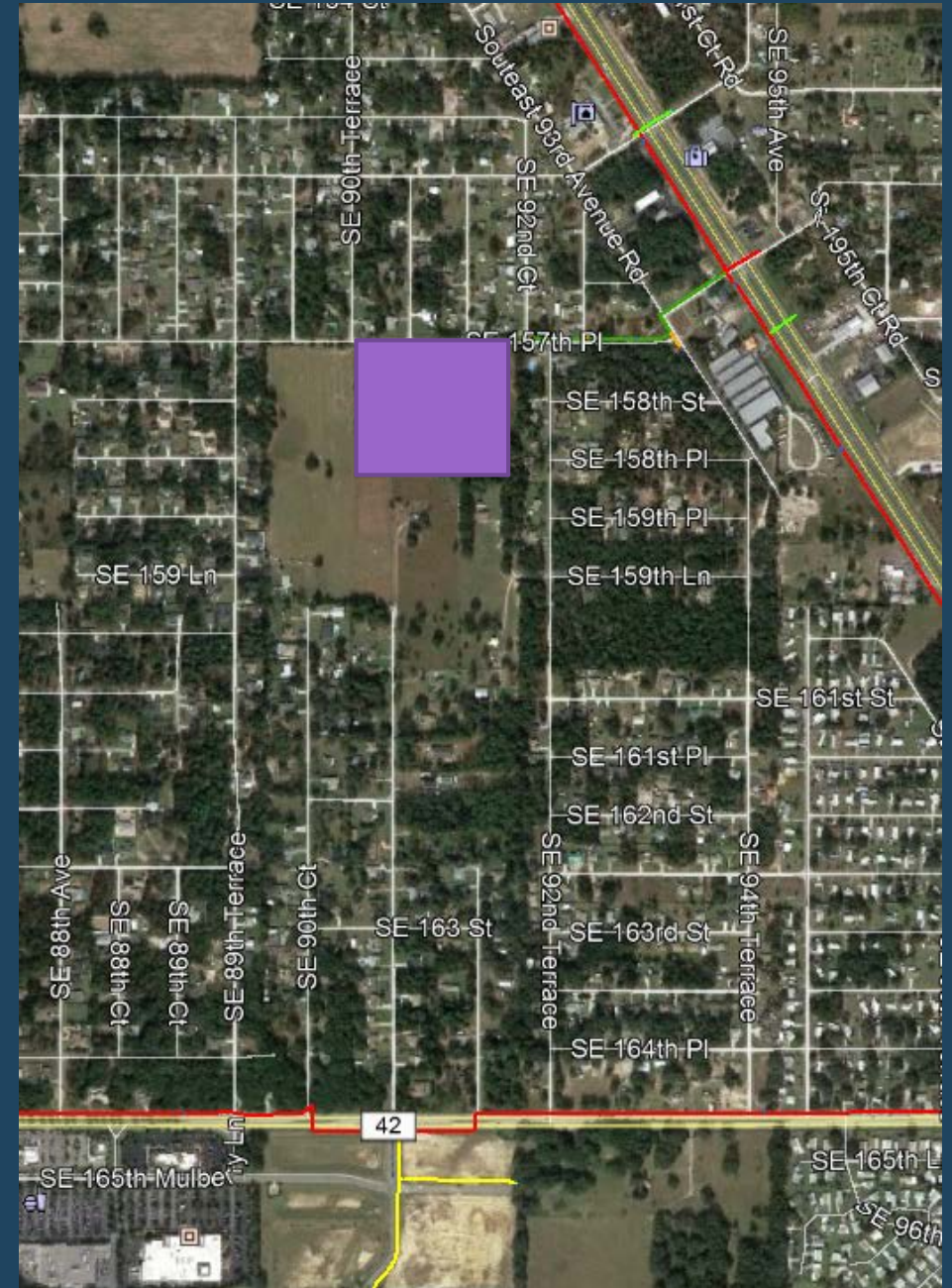






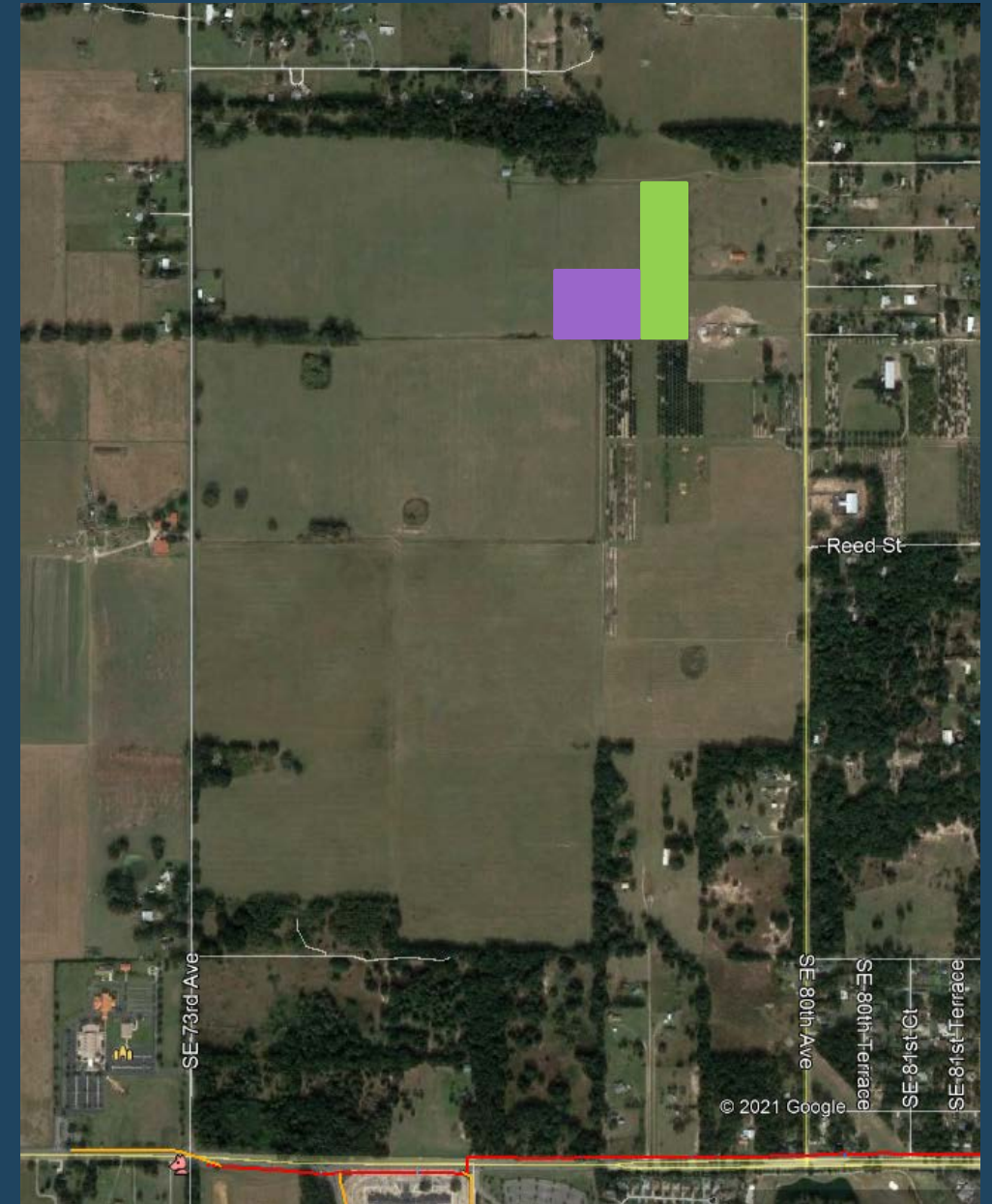
# LOCATION 1

- Park property owned on SE 157<sup>th</sup> Place.
- Due diligence performed.
- UFA ground water quality is good.
- LFA ground water quality is good but requires treatment.
- Special Use Permit will be required.
- Water main is stubbed to property.
- Located within developed neighborhood.
- Opportunity to construct park for community.



# LOCATION 2

- Developer owned land north of CR 42 and west of SE 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Acquisition of site will require modification to existing developer's agreement.
- UFA ground water quality is good.
- Water main will need to be extended to connect to transmission system.
- 2 - 12" UFA wells constructed but not equipped.
- Located in a relatively undeveloped area.





# LOCATION COMPARISON – PLANT CAPACITY

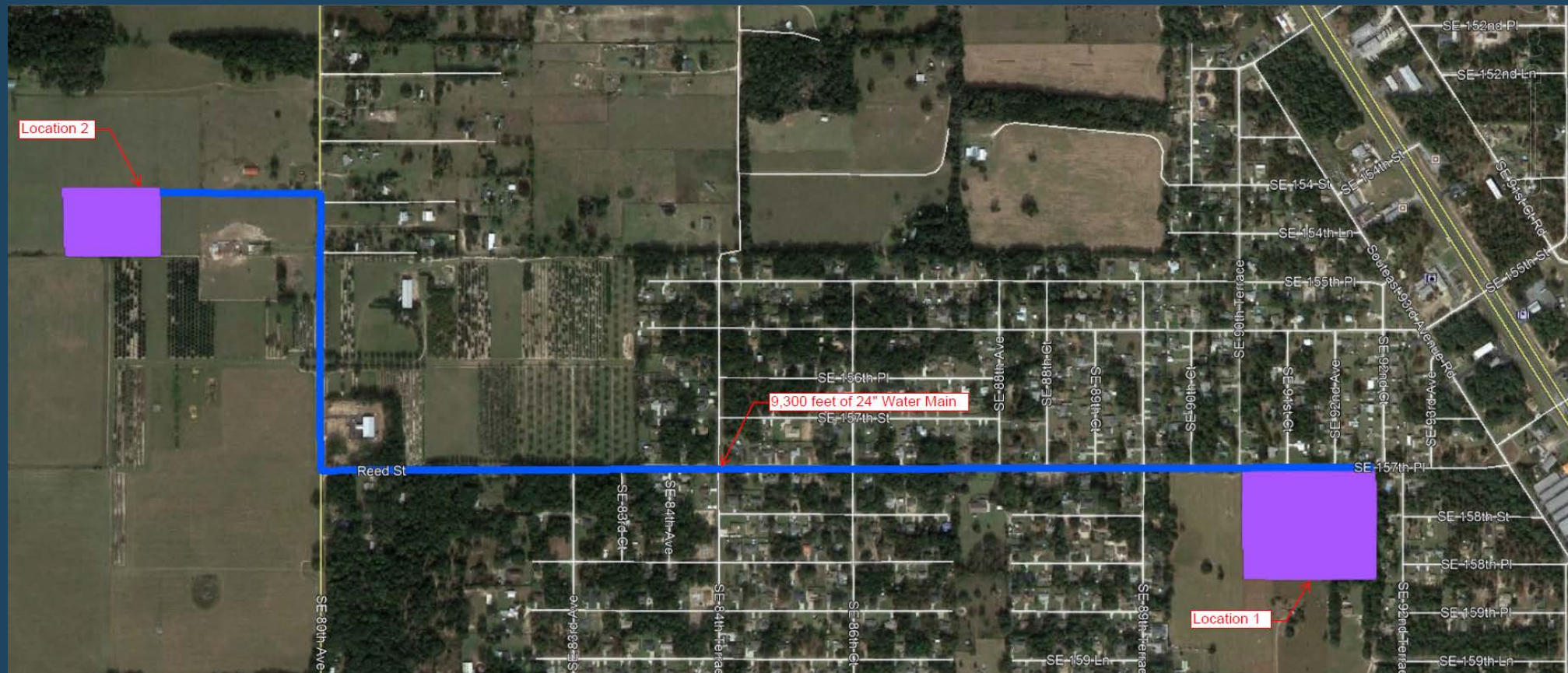
	Location 1	Location 2
Proposed Present Capacity (MGD)	2.73	2.69
Approx. Monthly Energy Cost (\$)	\$4,900	\$5,400
Proposed Future Capacity (MGD)	4.49	4.28
Approx. Monthly Energy Cost (\$)	\$9,400	\$10,200

- Both locations yield approximately the same size plant.
- Both locations reduce pumping from other existing WTPs.
- There are slight energy cost differences due to elevation differences between sites.



# LOCATION COMPARISON - HYDRAULIC

- At buildout, no significant difference in transmission main requirements between two sites.
- Location 2 requires watermain to be constructed (estimated cost - \$1.6 million).



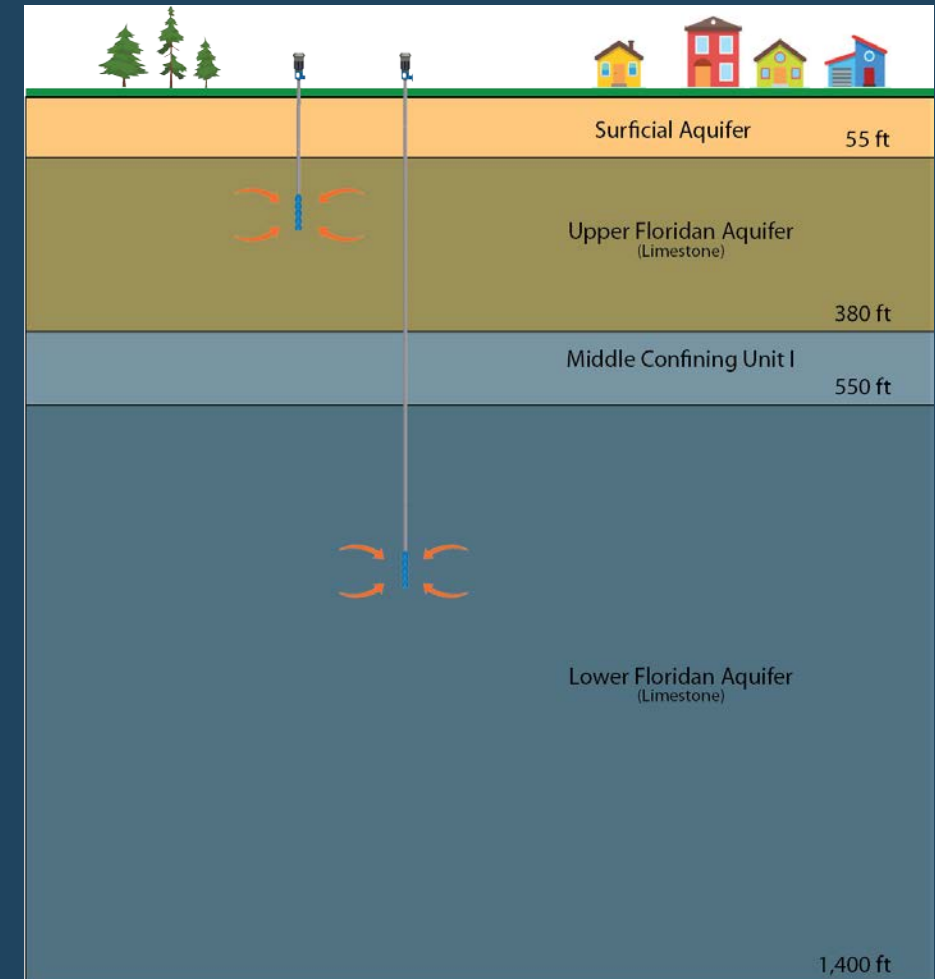
# LOCATION COMPARISON – HYDROGEOLOGIC

	Location 1	Location 2
Impact to Lake Weir	Net Positive	Net Positive
Impact to Silver Springs	Net Positive	Net Positive
Impact to Rainbow Springs	Net Positive	Net Positive

- Results above assumes that at 50% water comes from the Lower Floridan Aquifer.
- Both locations reduce water production from existing WTPs.

# LOCATION COMPARISON - LOWER FLORIDAN WELL

- Location 1 – Site specific data available.
- Location 2 – Site specific data not available.
- Reasonable to assume similar water quality between sites.





# CONSENSUS ON DIRECTION

Option 1 – Staff to pursue Location 1.

OR

Option 2 – Staff to pursue Location 2.

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ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?