

FWEA Utility Council 2006 Regulatory/Legislative Agenda

Regulatory:

FAC 62-640 revisions- Biosolids Rule ([Hanson/Hicks](#))

DEP SSO Guidance Document-review and comment ([Hanson](#))

TMDL Issues

-Listing methodology ([Hicks/Alves](#))

Surface water classifications, designated use and attainability ([Hughes](#))

Blending and other handling of wet weather flows ([Hughes](#))

Atmospheric Deposition ([Hughes](#))

Mercury ([Hughes](#))

Coliforms, other indicators (e.g. E. Coli) and standards ([Hughes](#))

Triennial Review of State Surface Water Quality Standards ([Hughes](#))

Bacterial Water Quality Criteria for Enterococci in Coastal Recreation Waters ([Hughes](#))

62-302.530 Human health based surface water quality criteria ([Finn/Hughes](#))

Development of Numeric Nutrient Criteria for Florida's Waters ([Hicks/Hughes](#))

Operator Staffing- account for automation, remote monitoring and operating capabilities ([Hughes](#))
-reciprocity for Operator licensing ([Hicks](#))

62-555 -monitor progress on alternatives to 4-log virus removal ([Finn](#))

62-610 -monitor revisions to pathogen monitoring and annual reuse reports ([Hanson](#))

Legislative:

Springs Legislation

- propose the use of TMDLs for nutrient reduction in springs where appropriate ([Hanson](#))
- lack of scientific basis for establishing springs related initiatives ([Hicks](#))

SSO Legislation- *possibly* co-sponsor bill with Clean Water Action to standardize SSO reporting and increased funding of wastewater infrastructure rehabilitation ([Hanson](#))

SB 444 glitch items -allow some of the funding for developing alternative water supplies to be used to fund the state's conservation clearinghouse and initiatives in utilities that improve the effective and efficient use of water including reclaimed water ([Staubus/Finn](#))

- [FS 373.227 requires a clearinghouse and a funding source was not identified when adopted by the legislature in the 2004 session.](#)

- The clearinghouse will be a resource for water conservation program information and results that would improve the quality of conservation programs statewide.
- Current information is fragmented, incomplete and difficult to use as a resource for developing utility specific goal based programs, which is provided for in FS 373.227.

Infrastructure Funding (water and wastewater- state/federal)- (Hughes)

Right of Way/Private Property- water/sewer locates (Hughes)

Pollutant Tax- Department of Revenue Rules and Regulations, Part IV, 12B-5, Tax on Pollutants requires users of methanol and anhydrous liquid chlorine to pay a tax. When used for water or wastewater treatment the user may apply for a refund of taxes paid. Suggest legislation to exempt collection of tax for water and wastewater treatment use. (Pickard)