

SAVE OUR LAKES



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TREATMENT AREA PROGRESS

Top: Treatment Area panorama with Lakes Brooklyn on the left, Crystal, center, Magnolia on the right with Lowry in the distance.

Clockwise from the right:

- Cell 5 is receiving its treatment media.
- Inlet pipes in Cell 5 are marked with green paint and orange paint to show the final levels of the white gravel and then the treatment media.
- Additional rip-rap is being brought to the area above the discharge structure leading to Alligator Creek. The Engineers determined that additional reinforcement of the structure would be appropriate and most easily accomplished now.
- A solar panel to charge the battery of a water quality testing device sits on top of the device's cabinet. Water from the treatment ponds is automatically drawn from the concrete structure below for testing. Results are reported to the control station. The water must meet all standards before it is released into Alligator Creek.
- Water level sending units and remote valve actuators (top photo) are being installed on all six of the treatment ponds.



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Scott Slater Reports on the Geneva Project

Black Creek Aquifer Recharge cannot get here soon enough! As of Monday, 10/27 Clay County staff awaiting final draft of Appropriations Agreement from FDEP for funding transfer to Clay County. The anticipated receipt will be in the coming days.

If it is received in time, the agreement will be on the agenda for the Clay County Commission approval at the November 10th meeting.

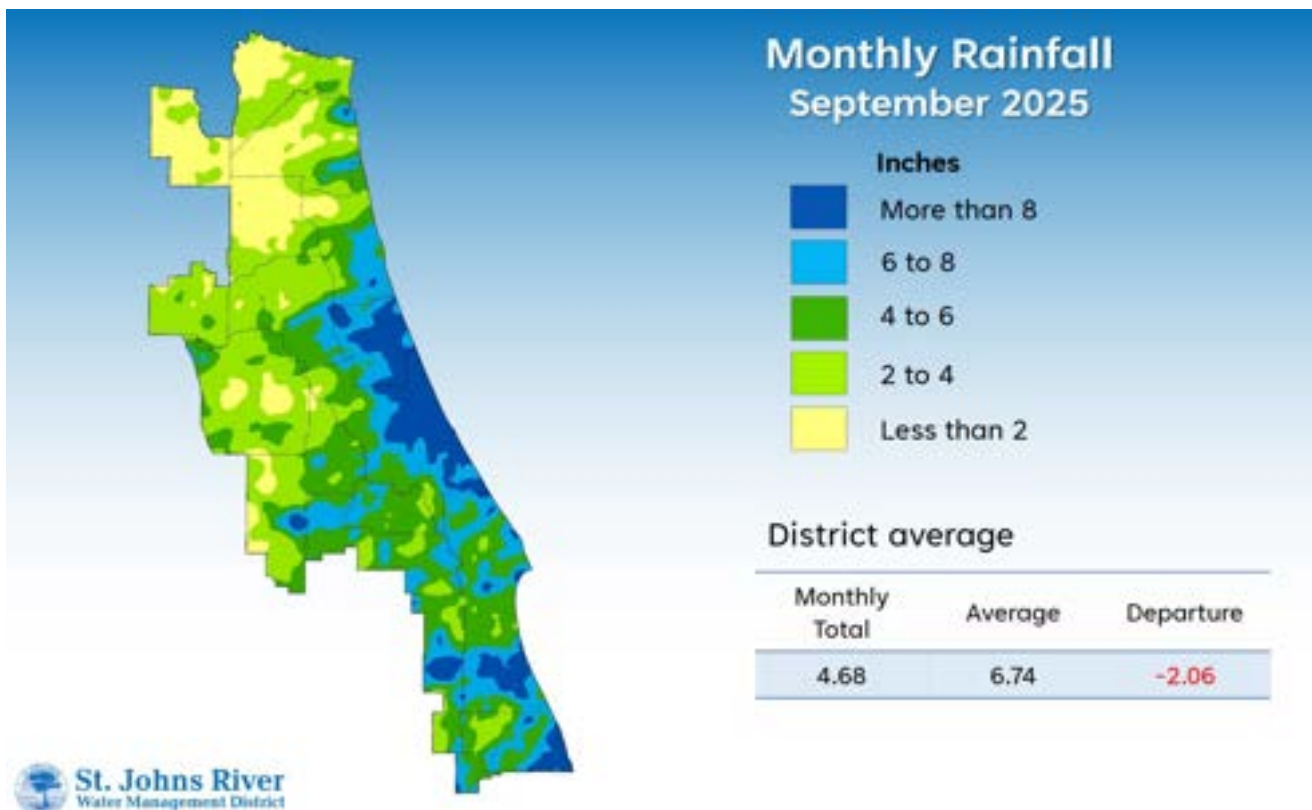
Once approved by the County Commission, Clay County Purchasing will issue a solicitation for a BID to remove trees 4" and larger with additional pricing requested for burning the remaining smaller trees and brush in specific locations on State Sovereign Land which is allowed under the existing General Permit for Lake Geneva Restoration.

This approved method for burning the smaller materials alleviates the need to pursue any additional Permit to complete the restoration activities. This is also the least expensive option for completing the project prior to higher lake levels as a result of the Black Creek Aquifer Restoration Pipeline

Thank you for your membership and support. Bring a friend or neighbor to our next SOLO members meeting on November 11th.

Sincerely,

Scott Slater, SOLO President



Rainfall District Wide This SJWMD graphic from the October Governing Board Meeting demonstrates the variability of the rainfall amounts in the different parts of the District. The Northern counties, including Clay County and the South Prong of Black Creek tributary area received less than 1/3rd of its normal amount. Counties further south received more than twice the average amount expected. In October, the pattern only repeated itself. Dry in the north with flooding in the middle counties.

SOLO WEBSITE www.saveourlakes.org

You can get information as well as communicate with us through our website: www.saveourlakes.org or our email: save-our-lakes@comcast.net. Our newsletter comes out once a month by email and US Mail (usually the first week of the month).

Please feel free to check us out!

***DON'T IMPEED PROGRESS!
LEAVE THE SURVEY STAKES ALONE!***

10/27/2025 DATA (Elevations NAVD88)

Brooklyn Level: 105.1 Ft

Alligator Creek Flow: 0 MGD Level: N/A

Geneva Level: 92.35 Ft

S. Fork Black Creek (SR-16): Flow: 13.1 MGD: Level: 9.2 Ft

SJRWMD Monthly Radar Rain Keystone: 3.87"

(Source: SJRWMD and USGS)



Alligator Creek North of Immkolee Road



Alligator Creek South of Immkolee Road

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