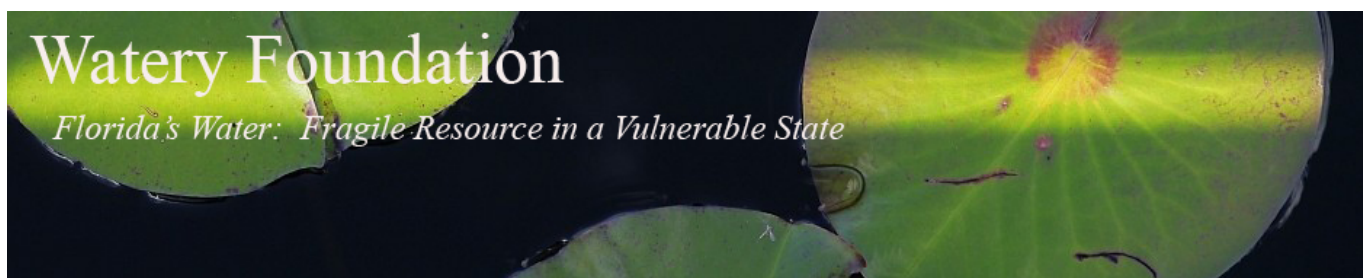


California, Texas, and Florida

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While we would never disagree with what Tom of the Waterly Foundation might write, perhaps we could elaborate a bit on the part about Florida. Tom does know that there is a comprehensive, well thought-out plan, called the [Model Water Code](#), which has been codified into law decades ago. And yes, there are [public meetings](#), as OSFR has attended countless ones, requesting, time and time again, moratoria on excessive water withdrawals.

But what Tom writes is indeed true, since the static status quo is as if nothing existed: the law is ignored, the moratoria pleas fall on deaf ears, and big water users are happy using their free water at the public's expense, even as the [rivers and springs disappear](#).

But we must let Tom continue:



On March 26, 2015 at 07:07AM, Tom at [Waterly Foundation](#) published the following article:

California, the most populous state, has a highly-detailed and structured [state water planning process](#), involving public

meetings, task schedules, legislative recommendations, and [five-year plan updates](#).

Texas, the second most populous state, has a highly-detailed and structured [state water planning process](#), involving public meetings, task schedules, legislative recommendations, and [five-year plan updates](#).

Florida, the third most populous state, is different. The so-called [Florida Water Plan](#) is only one short policy rule plus a list of existing FDEP programs. No state water planning process, no public meetings, no task schedules, no legislative recommendations, and no schedule for updates.

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