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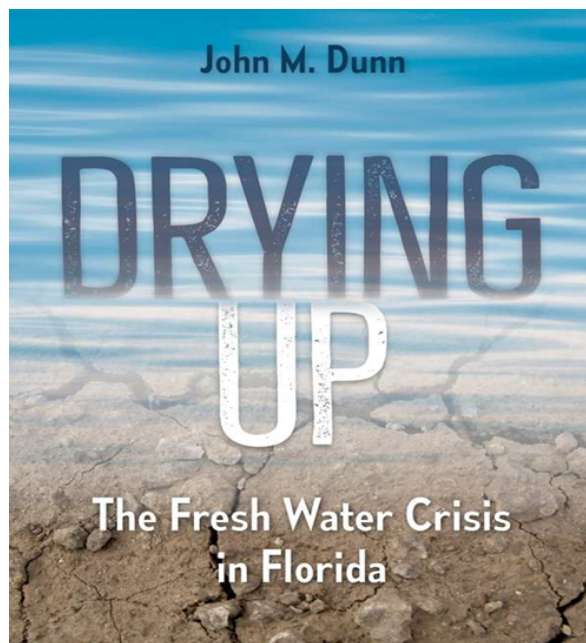
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Goals for a Florida Water Advocates

- Persuade the state legislature and local governments, water management districts, utilities, and water policy makers to:
 1. adopt Soft Path water policies;
 2. mandate septic tank inspections statewide, hold polluters responsible
 3. restore springs, rivers, and hydrologic systems,
 4. restrict new water permits, meter all existing wells
 5. adopt meaningful nutrient reduction program,

6. stop using public funds to entice more residents and tourists to Florida,
7. bring back state-supervised Growth Management,
8. honor and implement The Water and Land Conservation Amendment,
9. require all waste water to be treated at Advanced Water Treatment Facilities,
10. get real about climate change

- Lead by example:
 1. curb outdoor use of fresh water on lawns and landscape
 2. follow the examples of the determined activists of the 1970's who showed us what citizens can do to protect natural resources
 3. expect to pay more for water and meter private wells (pay for the actual value of the resource)
 4. get involved and support local and state water advocacy groups
 5. Choose politicians who understand water issues

Organizations

Sierra Club, Audubon, Florida Defenders of the Environment, Florida Wildlife Federation, Everglades Foundation, Conservation Trust for Florida, Earthjustice, 1000 Friends of Florida, the Florida Conservation Coalition, the various Riverkeepers such as the St. Johns Riverkeeper, Rainbow River Conservation, the Miami River Commission, the Indian River Land Trust, and Northwest Florida Environmental Conservancy, the Howard T. Odom Florida Springs Institute.