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NOTICE:

UPPER FLINT REGIONAL WATER PLANNING COUNCIL NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF INITIAL RECOMMENDED REGIONAL WATER PLAN TO EPD AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Announcement Date: May 9, 2011

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

The **Upper Flint** Regional Water Planning Council has submitted its Initial Recommended Regional Water Plan to the Environmental Protection Division.

As required by the State Water Plan, the initial recommended regional water plans are subject to a public notice and comment period prior to EPD adoption. Therefore, EPD is releasing for public notice and comment, each of the ten initial recommended regional water plans. This 45-day public notice and comment period will begin on May 9, 2011.

More information about the public comment process for all plans, Upper Flint's included, may be found at the Georgia State Water Planning website at the following link - <http://www.georgiawaterplanning.org>

The **Upper Flint** Initial Recommended Regional Water Plan and associated materials may be found at the Upper Flint Council website at the following link (in addition to the State Water Planning website): <http://www.upperflint.org/>

For additional information about the **Upper Flint** Regional Water Planning Council please contact:

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NOTE – the plan transmittal letter to EPD is attached to this notice



Georgia's State Water Plan

Upper Flint Water Planning Council

April 29, 2011

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Subject: Submittal of Recommended Regional Water Plan for public comment

Dear Director Barnes:

I am pleased to submit the Upper Flint Water Planning Council's Recommended Regional Water Plan. With the assistance of Georgia EPD and numerous stakeholders, our Council voted on April 14, 2011 to recommend our plan be submitted to Georgia EPD and released for public comment.

Our recommended plan was prepared in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement executed by our council, EPD and the Department of Community Affairs, as well as the rules for Regional Water Planning, Chapter 391-3-32, and the regional planning guidance issued by EPD. Our council members invested a considerable amount of time, effort, and energy in developing the Recommended Regional Water Plan. We look forward to reviewing and considering comments collected through the public comment process.

Our Council requests EPD and planning contractor support for at least one additional plan review committee meeting and one full council meeting to allow the Council to adequately consider comments and to take final action on our Regional Water Plan later this year.

Sincerely,

Donald Chase, Chairman
Upper Flint Water Planning Council

Cc: Mr. Tim Cash, Georgia EPD
Mr. Bill Morris, Georgia EPD
Mr. Stephen Simpson, Black & Veatch