



# Reclaimed Water

The City's reclaim water is highly treated wastewater suitable for irrigation. Reclaim water helps conserve the limited supply of groundwater (drinking water) in the Aquifer since reclaimed water is used in place of potable water for irrigation. Using reclaim water for irrigation also helps use wastewater from treatment plants in an environmentally safe way and reduces fertilizer use, as some nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus remain in reclaim water.

Reclaim water does contain more nutrients than potable water, so it's important to reduce runoff from irrigation systems to prevent nutrient pollution in our surface waters.

**Additional Reclaim Water Information (links)**  
[Reclaimed Water and Florida's Water Reuse Program](#)  
[Reclaimed Water for Homeowner Irrigation](#)  
[Using Reclaimed Water \(SJRWMD\)](#)  
[Florida Department of Environmental Protection](#)  
[Water Recycling and Reuse: The Environmental Benefits \(EPA\)](#)

**Pollution Prevention (links)**  
[Algae \(SJRWMD\)](#)  
[Fertilize Responsibly \(Orange County\)](#)  
[Lake Apopka](#)

