



**6915 Perrine Ranch Road  
New Port Richey, FL 34655  
Phone: (727) 372-0115 Fax: (727) 372-2677**

### **NOTICE TO USERS OF REUSE WATER**

As a new reuse customer of Florida Governmental Utility Authority (“FGUA”), you have been provided with our standard “Notice to Residents” which describes our Cross-Connection Control Program requirements which apply to all customers. In addition to the standard cross connection control information, users of reuse water are hereby provided this additional information:

Reuse water, also known as “reclaimed water,” is a source of water used primarily for irrigation purposes in this water system. It is produced at the Seven Springs Wastewater Treatment Facility (SSWWTF) by highly treating domestic wastewater to remove impurities and pathogenic (disease causing) organisms. Therefore, as its name implies, reuse water is water that is used more than once by a community. When reuse water is properly used to irrigate lawns, pastures, golf course turf and other green areas, it safely utilizes one of our dwindling resources, potable water, in a very environmentally and fiscally responsible way.

Reuse water is never to be used to fill swimming pools, hot tubs or wadding pools. No connection to FGUA’s reuse lines must occur that results in the installation of above ground hose bibs of any kind. All connections to FGUA’s reuse system must be to approved irrigation systems only. All connections to FGUA’s reuse system must be made in accordance with the Cross-Connection Program (1994) and this Addendum 1.

A cross-connection is the interconnection of potable (drinking) water systems and other waters. Other waters may include raw sewage, industrial process waters, reuse water, surface water (drainage) and other non-drinking sources of water. Many of these non-drinking water sources may contain contaminants that could severely pollute the potable water supply if they were to enter the potable water system. In fact, some of these non-drinking water sources, such as industrial process waters and raw sewage, could cause serious health problems if customers were exposed to them. Therefore, it is imperative that non-drinking water sources never find their way into the potable water system. No reuse water system and potable water system interconnection shall be allowed under any circumstances. Also, no reuse water shall enter any dwelling unit under any circumstances.

Reuse water mains in this system are color coded. Reuse lines are colored:

1. Fully purple in color (PVC)
2. White with a purple band (PVC), or
3. Metallic with a purple band (Ductile Iron)

No connections to reuse piping shall be made by anyone for any purpose other than to connect an irrigation system via an FGUA approved connection.

All reclaimed water valves and outlets shall be appropriately tagged or labeled (bearing the words in English and Spanish: “Do not drink” together with the equivalent standard international symbol) to warn the public and employees that the water is not intended for drinking. All piping, valves, and outlets shall be colored purple to differentiate them from potable water fixtures.

Please remember that the intent of these requirements is to insure the safety of your drinking water supply. If you have any questions, or feel that you may have a cross-connection, please contact FGUA immediately at (727) 372-0115.