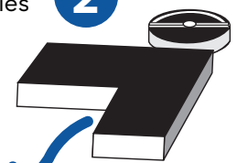
Where does the water come from?

1 The average home produces approximately 400 gallons of wastewater daily.

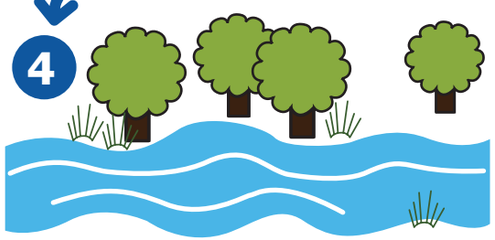


2 Wastewater from parts of Orange and Seminole counties is pumped to the City's Iron Bridge Regional Water Reclamation Facility in south Seminole County.





3 Of this highly treated reclaimed water, up to 35 million gallons a day are sent to the 1,200 acre man-made wetlands where aquatic plants further remove nutrients.

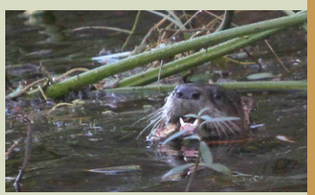


4 It takes approximately 40 days for the reclaimed water to filter through man-made marshes before reaching the St. Johns River.

Facts

- Orlando Wetlands is one of the world's first large scale man-made wetland designed for advanced treatment of reclaimed water.
- The wetlands began receiving flow from the Iron Bridge Regional Water Reclamation Facility in July 1987.
- Over eighteen miles of berms were built to create 18 wetlands cells and 67 water control structures were incorporated into the system. A 75-acre lake was created to provide material to construct the berms.





- The treatment wetland system also provides habitat for numerous animal species including otter, bobcat, deer, turtles, snakes, alligators, and over 220 species of birds.
- The Cypress Boardwalk is an over-water hiking path with closeup views of aquatic wildlife and the Cypress Dome.
- Oyler Overlook is an earthen mound created from thousands of yards of muck and cattails. The mound is approximately 30 feet talll and gives visitors an outstanding view of the surrounding wetlands.



About Orlando Wetlands

Orlando Wetlands is open to the public for nature study and peaceful enjoyment. Allowed activities include walking, jogging, bicycling, horseback riding, wildlife appreciation, bird watching, and nature photography.

FACILITY HOURS:
Sunrise - Sunset
Tuesday - Sunday (Closed Monday)

VISITORS CENTER HOURS:
9 am - 4 pm
Tuesday - Saturday (Closed Sunday & Monday)

FREE ADMISSION



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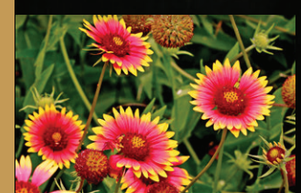
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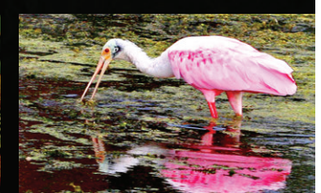
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Reminder

Please sign in when you arrive and sign out when you leave to help us monitor facility usage.

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Things to do

Hiking, bicycling, horseback riding, wildlife viewing, and nature photography.
Visit orlando.gov/wetlands for tour schedules and details.

Rules

The following are **PROHIBITED**:

- pets
- littering
- swimming
- hunting
- fishing
- boating
- camping
- campfires
- alcoholic drinks
- motorized vehicles
- taking plants or animals
- launching or landing of drones









ORLANDO WETLANDS LOCATION MAP