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# Water Forum 2010

# **AGENDA**

Friday, June 4th 10:30am -1:30pm

#### Welcome

Barney T. Bishop, President & CEO Associated Industries of Florida & Chuck Carden, Chairman Florida Section of the American Water Works Association

- I. Water Forum Ground Rules John Shearer, Moderator
- II. Introduction of Candidate for Governor
- III. Gubernatorial Candidate
  Attorney General Bill McCollum (R)

#### Break

- IV. Introduction of Candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture
- V. Commissioner of Agriculture & Consumer Services Candidates (in alphabetical order)

Scott Maddox (D) Rick Minton (D) U.S. Congressman Adam Putnam (R)

VI. Lunch with Guest Speaker – Senator Lee Constantine (R-Altamonte Springs) 2010 Legislative Session Recap

Adjourn





# Florida Water Forum Participants



### **Moderator**

**John Shearer, P.E., BCEE** – With more the 36 years of experience in dealing with complex water and environmental issues, John Shearer has first-hand knowledge of the challenges facing Florida as it relates to water policy. Mr. Shearer served as Assistant Secretary of Florida's Department of Environmental Protection from 1987-1991 and is the former Executive Vice President of PBS&J. In this capacity he was the National Director of Environmental Services. Currently, Mr. Shearer runs Shearer Consulting Inc.

#### **Candidate for Governor**



Attorney General Bill McCollum (R) – Bill McCollum has served our nation and the people of Florida as an officer in the Navy JAG Corps, in the United States Congress, on the Board of Governors of the State University system of Florida, and most recently as Florida's Attorney General. In 1992 he retired from the Naval Reserve as a Commander having served 23 years as an officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAG). From 1981 to 2001, he represented the people of Central Florida in the United States Congress. As Attorney General, McCollum's priorities have included consumer protection; combating Medicaid fraud; improving the state's security against terrorist threats; and fighting crimes against the elderly, especially identity theft.

### Candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services



Scott Maddox (D) – Scott Maddox's roots run deep in hard work and service to our state. In 1993, Maddox was elected the youngest City Commissioner in Tallahassee's history. Two years later Maddox was elected mayor and subsequently as Tallahassee's first leadership mayor in 1997. As mayor of Florida's capital city, Maddox took bold leadership steps such as acquiring environmentally sensitive land, overseeing a large expansion of the city's parks, greenways and trails. In 2003 he was elected Chairman of the Florida Democratic Party. Following his tenure at the Democratic Party Scott joined with his political mentor, Mallory Horne, in opening Maddox Horne Law firm.



**Rick Minton (D)** — Rick Minton is a former state legislator, serving for 8 years as a Representative in the Florida State House. Minton has a strong track record for protecting Florida's consumers as well as safeguarding one of Florida's largest industries — agriculture. During his tenure in the state legislature, Minton led four committees as Vice-Chairman: General Government Appropriations, Regulated Industries, Water Policy and Community Affairs. For 25 years, he has held positions on the Advisory Council to two Commissioners of Agricultural & Consumer Services. In addition, Minton served 17 years as an elected official as a Supervisor of St. Lucie County Soil and Water Conservation District.



**U.S. Congressman Adam Putnam (R)** – Adam Putnam has been a strong, conservative voice in both the Florida House of Representatives and the U.S. Congress. Elected to the state House at the age of 22, Putnam quickly became the Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, where he led on the many issues facing Florida's dynamic agriculture industry. Throughout his Congressional career, he has been recognized as a leader on a variety of issues, most notably agriculture, food safety, childhood nutrition, energy and government efficiency. As a member of the Farm Bill House-Senate Conference Committee, Putnam helped bring major program reform to policies impacting Florida agriculture.



## **Luncheon Speaker**

Senator Lee Constantine (R-Altamonte Springs) — Sen. Constantine has been a public servant from Central Florida for almost 30 years. He has been Commissioner and Mayor of Altamonte Springs, a four term Representative of the Florida House and chair of the Seminole and Orange County Legislative Delegations. In 2000, Constantine was elected to the Florida Senate. Currently, Sen. Constantine serves as the Chairman of the Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee, as well as Chair of the Inland Waters Select Committee. He also serves as a member of the Policy and Steering Committee on Energy, Environment, and Land Use.

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