

Second Public Workshop in the Northwest Area (Keystone)
Keystone Civic Center
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Summary of Comments

The following major issues were brought up at the second workshop in Keystone.

1. Over pumping of well fields and objections to water supply development and damage it has caused in the area by Tampa Bay Water.
2. Proposed regulation of horse stables and equestrian activities without any evidence that they were a threat to water supplies.
3. The proposed modeling for well field protection zones using a ten year travel time does not protect private water wells and shrinks the existing zones.
4. The reduction of petroleum tank setbacks from 1000 feet to 500 feet because of the state law change is unacceptable.
5. Protection of the water table level and protection of water supplies from contamination are equally important.
6. The Technical Advisory Committee doesn't have anyone on it from Keystone, so the areas concerns have been ignored.
7. There is an ulterior motive in the current proposal to allow more development by reducing the size of well field protection areas.
8. The proposed zones undermine the rural lifestyle developed through the Keystone Community Plan.
9. Several people remarked that the scope of the project was wrong and should include water quantity along with water quality (contamination) issues.
10. Shrinking the resource protection zones will exacerbate the problem by allowing development, which will use more water, the development will create more pollutants, causing more and more problems, both quality and quantity.