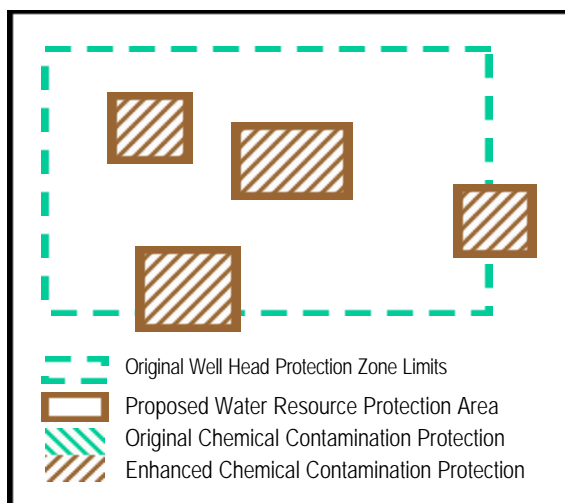


Proposed Options for the Wellhead Protection Zone in the Northwest Area of the County

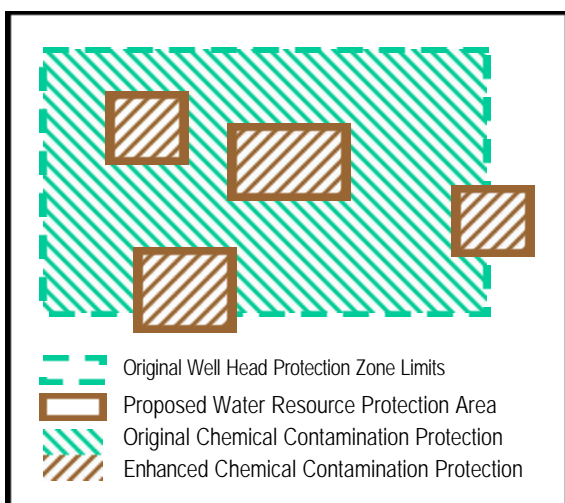
At the January 9, 2003 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, the following three options for providing chemical contamination protection for public potable water supply wells (with capacities of 100,000 gpd or greater) in the Northwest were discussed:

Option 1: Standard Protection



A single resource protection area would be defined, limited to the potential water supply zone defined by the 2002 groundwater modeling analysis (approximately 26.8 mi²), which is significantly smaller than the existing protection area on the current Well Head Protection Map (approximately 84.8 mi²) that was based upon the 1992 groundwater analysis. Enhanced chemical contamination protection as defined by the proposed 2003 ordinance would be afforded to all parcels within the proposed (26.8 mi²) resource protection area.

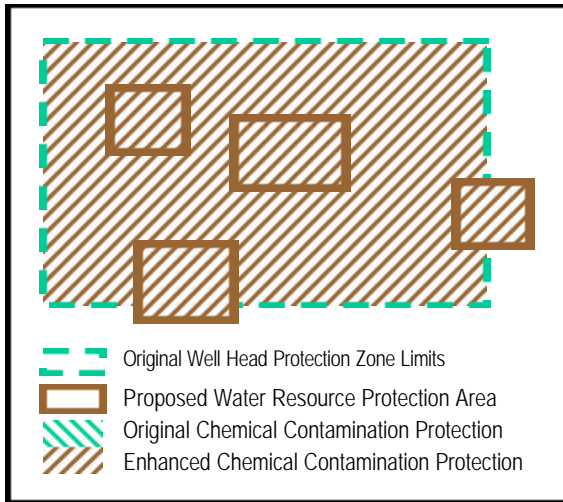
Option 2: Intermediate Protection



A two-level protection strategy would be defined that uses both the proposed (26.8 mi²) water resource protection area defined in the 2002 groundwater modeling analysis, in conjunction with the current (84.8 mi²) protection area on the 1992 Well Head Protection Map. Under this two-layer approach, enhanced chemical contamination protection as defined by the proposed 2003 ordinance would be afforded to all parcels within the proposed (26.8 mi²) water resource protection area, and the existing level of chemical contamination protection would be afforded to those

parcels located in the 60.6 mi² area that exists outside of the proposed (26.8 mi²) resource protection and is also located within the limits of the current (84.8 mi²) protection area.

Option 3: Maximum Protection

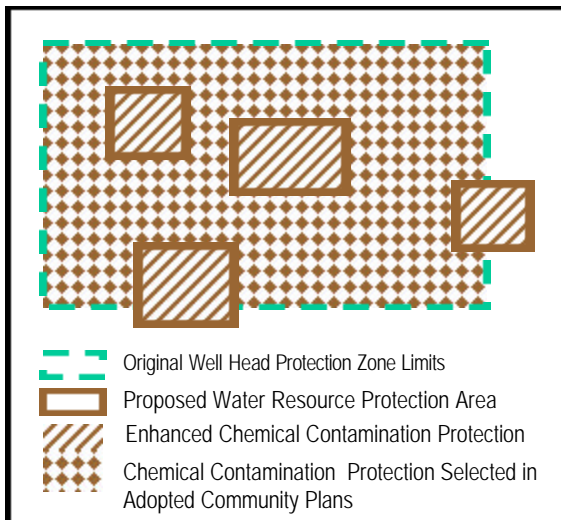


A single resource protection area (approximately 86.8 mi²) would be defined as the combination of the existing well head protection area and the proposed 2002 water resource protection area. Enhanced chemical contamination protection as defined by the proposed 2003 ordinance would be afforded to all parcels within the aggregated (86.8 mi²) resource protection area.

Voting by the TAC members, though not unanimous, indicated a preference for Option 1. Since there was no consensus among the TAC members, it was decided to present all three options to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at the BOCC Workshop to be held on February 26, 2003.

At the February 5, 2003 public meeting held at the Keystone Civic Center, the residents wanted a fourth option presented to the BOCC.

Option 4: Resident Proposed Option



A two-level protection strategy would be defined that uses both the proposed (26.8 mi²) water resource protection area defined in the 2002 groundwater modeling analysis, in conjunction with the current (84.8 mi²) protection area on the 1992 Well Head Protection Map. Under this two-layer approach, enhanced chemical contamination protection as defined by the proposed 2003 ordinance would be afforded to all parcels within the proposed (26.8 mi²) water resource protection area. The chemical contamination protection afforded to those parcels located in the

60.6 mi² area that exists outside of the proposed (26.8 mi²) resource protection area and within the limits of the current (84.8 mi²) protection area would be defined by the residents in each Community Plan Area who would determine which uses are on the Restricted and Prohibited List.