

### Adjoining Waterkeeper Territories:

I have spoken to each of Flint, Altamaha, Satilla, St. Mary's, and St. John's Riverkeepers, all of whom tell me they are in favor of this addition of the Santa Fe River sub-basin to Suwannee Riverkeeper territory.

There is no Waterkeeper for the Ochlockonee River to the west of us. Since it goes through Tallahassee, the capital and seventh largest city of Florida, in addition to Thomasville in Georgia, that river would be a great candidate for a new Waterkeeper organization.

Within HUC 0311, and thus within Florida's Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD), there are no Waterkeepers for the Aucilla, Wacissa, Econfina, Fenholloway, or Steinhatchee River to the northwest, nor for the Wacassasa to the southeast. Because they are in SRWMD, and because their Florida counties have joined the Task Force to deal with Valdosta sewage, we deal with those counties frequently.

There is also no Waterkeeper for the Withlacoochee (south) River outside SRWMD to the south, although we have some quite active members from that last watershed.

