

### **Chronology of Major Events**

- 1965 to 1995 - Occidental Chemical Company began and continued phosphate mining
- 1974 – Hamilton County authorized DRI for Occidental Chemical Company to conduct phosphate mining
- 1981 – Hamilton County adopted mining rules mirroring State mining rules, issued County Permit #1 for Suwannee River Mine, and #2 for Swift Creek Mine
- 1995 - Occidental Chemical Company created White Springs Agricultural Chemical and sold 100% stock ownership in White Springs Agricultural Chemical to PCS Phosphate
- 1996 – Hamilton County merged the Suwannee River and Swift Creek County Permits into County Permit 96-4.
- 1997 – Ecosystem Team Permitting began (PCS Phosphate, FDEP, DCA, Hamilton County, and USACOE)
- 1999 – County developed Ordinance 14.7.1 Land Development Regulation specific to Phosphate mining creating the standards which Special Permit 03-1 would be issued under
- 2002 – PCS Phosphate added 410 acres. The Regional Planning Council was not convinced that the 1974 DRI was appropriate. DCA told RPC that the DRI was acceptable because the 410 acres was within the 750 acre threshold
- January 2002 – Ecosystem Management Agreement approved
- 2003 – 410 acre addition approved by Hamilton County Resolution 2003-04
- February 2003 – PCS Phosphate received Special Permit 03-1 from Hamilton County as a result of the first Ecosystem Team Permit issued in Florida
- March 2003 – PCS Phosphate received State permit(s) as a result of the first Ecosystem Team Permit issued in Florida
- July 2003 – PCS Phosphate received federal permit(s) as a result of the first Ecosystem Team Permit issued in Florida
- May 2007 – Sinkhole forms under CTC phosphogypsum stack at the Suwannee River Complex
- February 2008 – Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners renews Special Permit 03-1 for five years