

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**AGRICULTURE**  
**Senator Truenow, Chair**  
**Senator Grall, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025  
**TIME:** 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 301 Senate Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Truenow, Chair; Senator Grall, Vice Chair; Senators Bernard, Boyd, Burton, and Rouson

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Update of the State of the Citrus Industry by Shannon Shepp, Executive Director of the Department of Citrus and Matt Joyner, Executive Vice President and CEO of Florida Citrus Mutual		Presented
2	Presentation on OPPAGA Soil and Water Conservation District Performance Review by David Jahosky, Mauldin & Jenkins		Presented
Other Related Meeting Documents			

# Florida Department of Citrus

Florida Senate Committee on Agriculture  
February 4, 2025

Florida Citrus™

# The Florida Department of Citrus

## Overview

- Established in 1935 by growers
- Self-funded for 80+ years
- 11-member Florida Citrus Commission appointed by Governor
- Executive agency of Florida government charged with the marketing, research and regulation of the Florida Citrus industry



# Baseline Year: Total Contributions of the Florida Citrus Industry 2020-21

- Industry Output (Sales Revenues)  
**\$6.935 billion**
- Employment (Fulltime and Part-time)  
**32,542 jobs**
- Value Added (Gross State Product)  
**\$2.841 billion**
- State and Local Tax Contributions  
**\$151 million**

Total contributions are the sum of direct, indirect, and induced contributions and measure all activity throughout Florida's economy supported by the citrus industry.

# The Florida Citrus Industry is a significant economic contributor to the Florida economy.

- **26 counties have citrus production**
- **274,705+ acres of grove lands**
  - 254,706+ acres of bearing grove lands
- **19 registered packinghouses able to ship fresh fruit to global markets**
- **18 registered processing facilities that store and/or process citrus juice and byproducts**

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA-NASS) – Florida Field Office. Commercial Citrus Inventory Prelim. Report: 2024, August 2024

# Florida Citrus Industry: Reset and Recovery

The industry focus is centered on the reset and recovery of Florida's citrus, ensuring its legacy thrives for future generations. Over the past few years, growers have worked diligently to replant and restore groves, despite significant challenges from HLB and weather-related events that have disrupted progress.

- **Efforts to Rebuild:** From 2021 to 2024, growers planted approximately 19,999 acres of new citrus trees as part of recovery efforts.
- **Challenges Faced:**
  - Total citrus acreage declined year-over-year directly and indirectly due to storms and other challenges:
    - 2021-2022: Loss of 32,046 acres (-7.87%)
    - 2022-2023: Loss of 43,046 acres (-11.47%)
    - 2023-2024: Loss of 57,551 acres (-17.32%)
- **Progress Made:** During this period, growers reset nearly 3.7 million citrus trees, marking a crucial step toward recovery.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service. "Preliminary Report Commercial Citrus Inventory (August 2024)"

# USDA Forecast and Expectations for 2024-25 Season

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Overall, Florida citrus production forecast of 13.5 million boxes oranges, grapefruit, and tangerines represents a 33% decline when compared to the 2023-24 season

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Orange production - 12M boxes (33% decline);  
Grapefruit production 1.2M boxes (33% decline); and  
Specialty tangerines - 300k boxes (33% decline)

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Florida processors currently rely on imports and domestic receipts to meet current demand which may impact future market access for Florida growers who are actively replanting.

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Florida is projected to account for 53% of all domestically produced orange juice in 24-25 season.

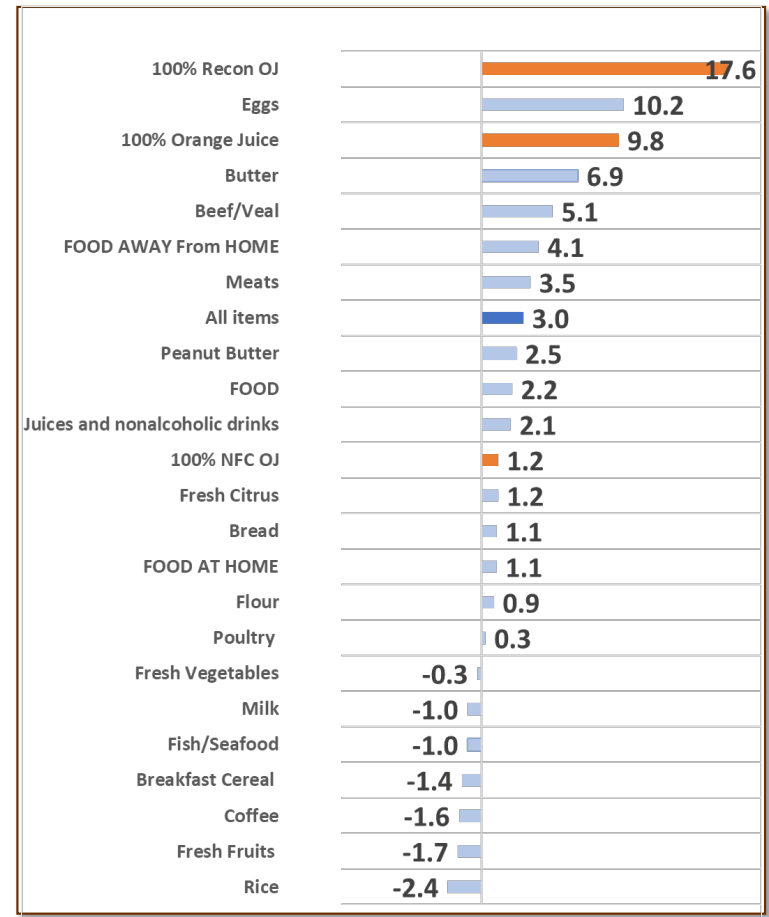
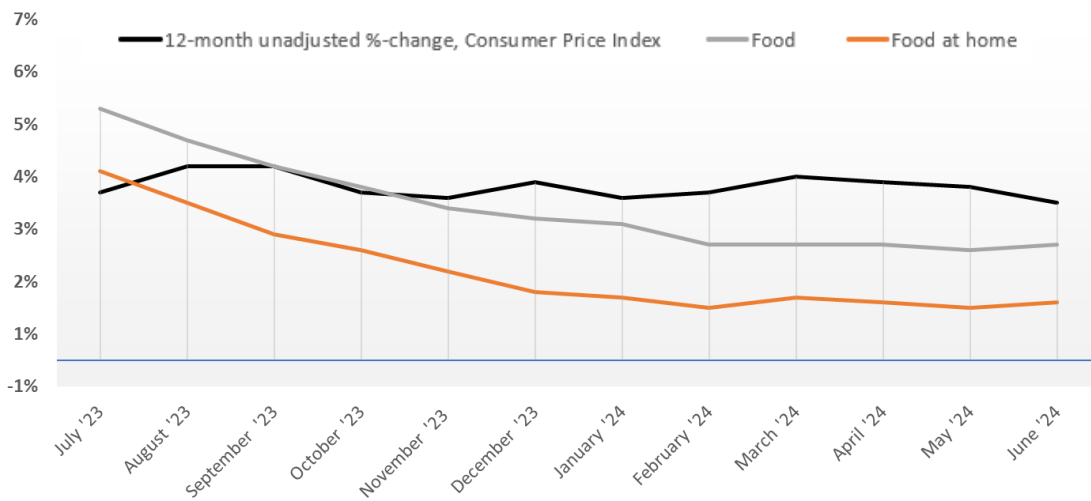
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Demand for Florida citrus products will continue strong in 24-25 season but reduced overall availability impacts U.S. consumption.



# Global OJ Shortages Amid Inflation

Consumers remain concerned over higher food prices, with a heightened price sensitivity despite CPI moderation, including essential goods.



U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). "Consumer Price Index (CPI)." [www.bls.gov/cpi](http://www.bls.gov/cpi) Note: Data period reflects FY23-24 – FDOC Program Measurement Study



## Gains for Florida-sourced orange juice

- The domestic share of Florida-sourced orange juice was estimated at 53% for the 2023-24 season, which doesn't include previous season inventories.
- Gains in demand for Florida-sourced orange juice share attributed to the awareness of promotions was about 75.72 million single-strength equivalent gallons.\*
- Gains in volume movement served to support approximately 30 percent\* of Florida orange bearing acreage.
- Gains in volume movement serve to support the Florida delivered-in price and provide economic output to the state in the 2023-24 season.

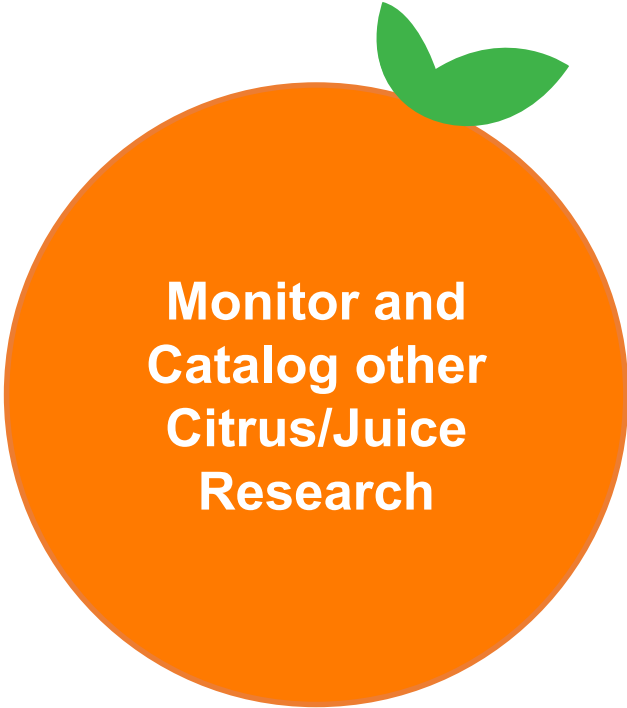


\*Florida share averaged previous 3 FY to capture lag effects.

## FY24-25 Tree Propagation Programming

- For the 2024-25 fiscal year, \$2 million was appropriated through the Citrus Recovery Program for the Florida Department of Citrus' Program for Expedited Propagation for HLB tolerant and resistant trees.
- FDOC and FDACS are working together to provide nurseries the resources needed to quickly ramp up availability of trees that are displaying tolerance or resistance to HLB, so that growers interested in replanting have access in the nearest possible term.
- Varieties included in this year's program:
  - **Early Varieties:** Lennon Early R20-T30 (Parson Brown); Lennon Early R21-T36 (Hamlin); Hamlin N14-10
  - **Late Varieties:** Sweet Orange UF OLL-DC-3-36; Sweet Orange UF OLL-DC-3-40
- 21 citrus nurseries around the state are participating in this program. Plant material will be available to the nurseries in late Spring 2025.
- There is a collaborative effort within the industry to identify and propagate additional trees that show tolerance or resistance to HLB.

# FDOC Scientific Research Strategic Approach



**Monitor and  
Catalog other  
Citrus/Juice  
Research**



**Fund  
Scientific  
Research OJ  
Projects**



**Communicate  
Research on  
Health Benefits  
of OJ**

## Focusing on what sells beverages today.

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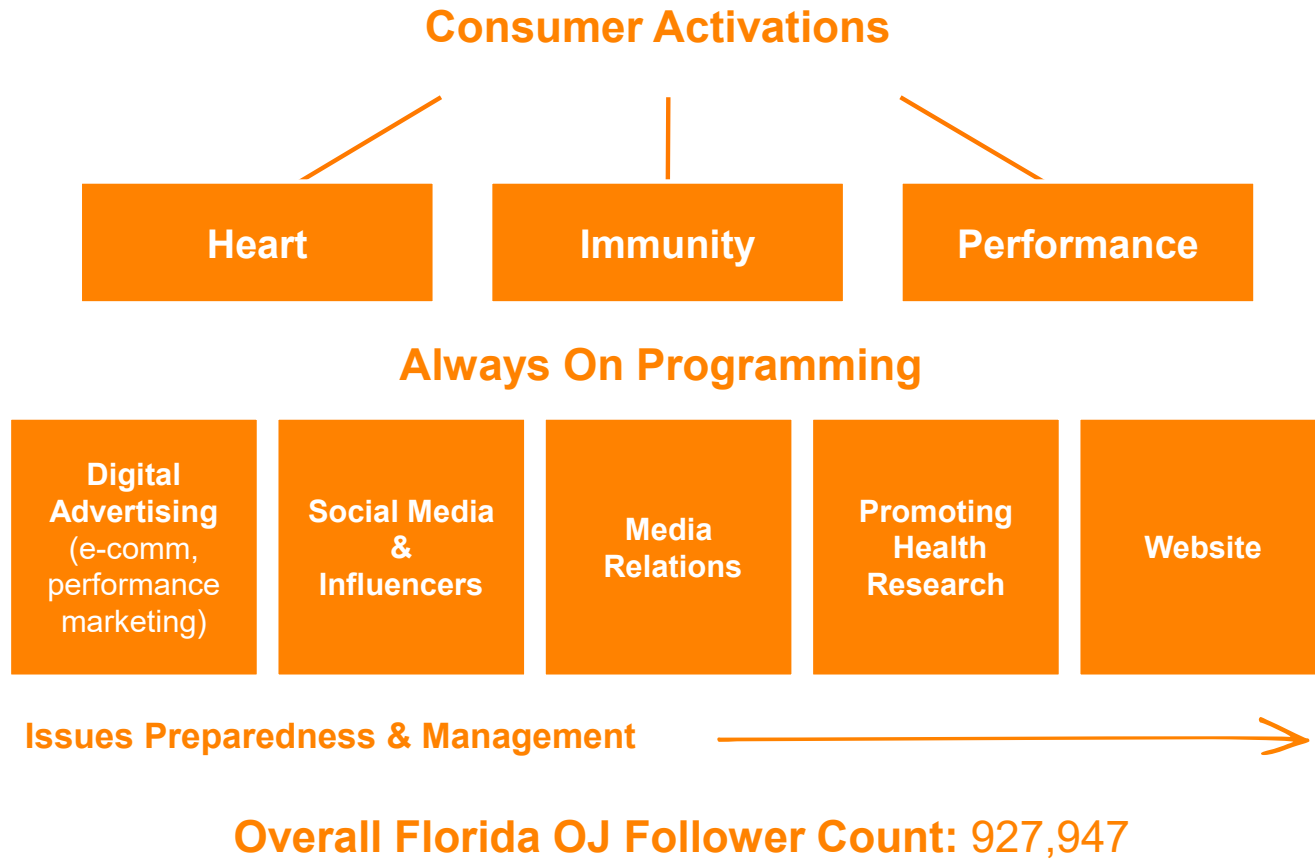
Plants  
Natural  
Vitamins  
Minerals  
Electrolytes  
Bioactives  
Antioxidants



### THAT'S GOOD FOR ME

Energy  
Heart health  
Immunity

# Build Value & Increase Sales of Florida Orange Juice



# FY 2024-2025 Florida Citrus: January 31, 2025

## FDOC DOMESTIC OJ MARKETING CAMPAIGN



### OVERVIEW

**BUDGET:** \$8.54M

**Advertising  
Attributed Sales Goal**  
\$25-\$30 Million

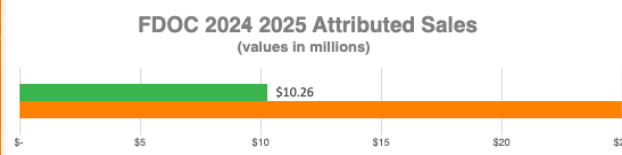
**% To Goal (\$25M)**  
41.06%

**Advertising  
Attributed Sales**  
\$10,264,192

**FY2023-24 Annual FDOC  
Generic Promotion Return  
on Investment (ROI)\***  
\$2.01 - \$2.48

\*Benefits of FDOC Generic Promotion on Demand for OJ, Annual ROI Study, UF-FAMRC

### ATTRIBUTED SALES



### ATTRIBUTED SALES BY PARTNER

<b>Walmart</b> \$6,429,815	<b>Instacart</b> \$3,834,377	<b>Performance Marketing</b> *Begins in early 2025
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### AUDITED POST ESTIMATE (Week-ending December 28, 2024)

**Early/Mid-Season**  
\$4.43572

**Valencia**  
N/A

**Grapefruit**  
White: \$3.50000  
Red/Pink: N/A

Average Price Per Pounds Solids

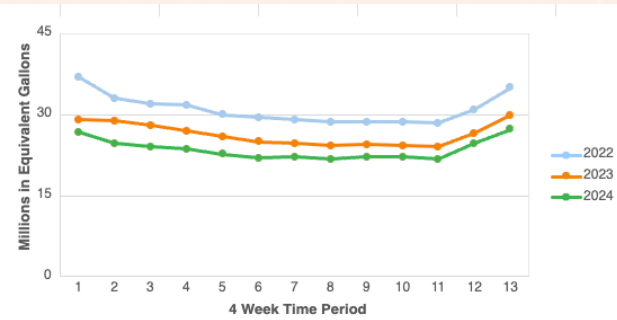
### CROP FORECAST (January 2025)

**Florida Oranges**  
12 Million Boxes

**Florida Grapefruit**  
1.2 Million Boxes

**Florida Specialty**  
300,000 Boxes

### U.S. TOTAL OJ VOLUME SALES



### TOTAL U.S. - XAOC SYTD 2023-24 IN GALLONS

(SYTD - December 28, 2024)

REGION	GALLONS	PRICE PER EQ
South TL OJ	30,670,129	\$9.77
Midwest TL OJ	15,214,066	\$9.81
West TL OJ	14,306,595	\$10.48
Northeast TL OJ	13,416,539	\$9.97
<b>TOTAL U.S. TL OJ</b>	<b>73,593,092</b>	<b>\$9.95</b>

### FDOC CITRUS JUICE STATISTICS

Florida Processors' Statistics Report Summary (Oct-Sep)  
Season-to-Date Packaged and Bulk Movement  
W/E January 18, 2025, Processors' Statistics Report #16

	2023-24	2024-25	% CHANGE
● SSOJ (NFC) (Millions SSG)	110.6	95.6	-13.5%
○ FCOJ (Millions SSG)	65.5	65.9	0.6%
● SSGJ (NFC) (Millions SSG)	3.2	2.9	-9.3%
○ FCGJ (Millions SSG)	1.1	0.4	-64.2%

\*Data Source: 2019-2023 FDOC Custom Database - Nielsen Answers on Demand (AOD) and Nielsen IQ Discover

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*“Stopping advertising to save money is like  
stopping your watch to save time.”*

**HENRY FORD**

## FY24-25 Customer Reacquisition Costs

- Acquiring a new customer is anywhere from five to 25 times more expensive than retaining an existing one.\*
- Consumers today are subjected to as many as 4-10K messages a day – brands must stay top of mind to keep share of voice.\*\*

\* [Harvard Business Review and Bain & Company](#)

\*\* [Forbes](#)





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# *Looking Toward the Future of a Sustainable Florida Citrus Industry*

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G. Mathew Joyner,  
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# FLORIDA CITRUS MUTUAL

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Founded in 1948, Florida Citrus Mutual is the state's largest citrus trade association.

- Advocate on behalf of nearly 1,500 growers to influence policies and address challenges affecting the Florida citrus industry.
- Work with growers, government, academic and other stakeholders to yield solutions to keep Florida's citrus industry moving forward.
- Actively engaged at both the state and federal level.



# A History of Citrus

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- Citrus was first planted in Florida around 1513 in St. Augustine.
- Introduced to Florida by Spanish explorers, possibly Ponce de Leon.
- Commercial production began to take hold in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and climbed to more than five million boxes by 1893.
- In 1945 production reached nearly 43 million boxes of oranges.

# A History of Citrus

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- FCOJ invented in 1945, leading orange juice to become Florida's signature crop.
- At its peak in 1998, Florida citrus plantings reached nearly 860,000 acres producing 244 million boxes of oranges and an additional 50 million boxes of grapefruit.
- 95% of Florida's citrus is processed for orange juice.
- Florida Citrus growers have been growing for more than 100 years.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> generation family farms
  - A resilient bunch, growers have always dealt with obstacles.

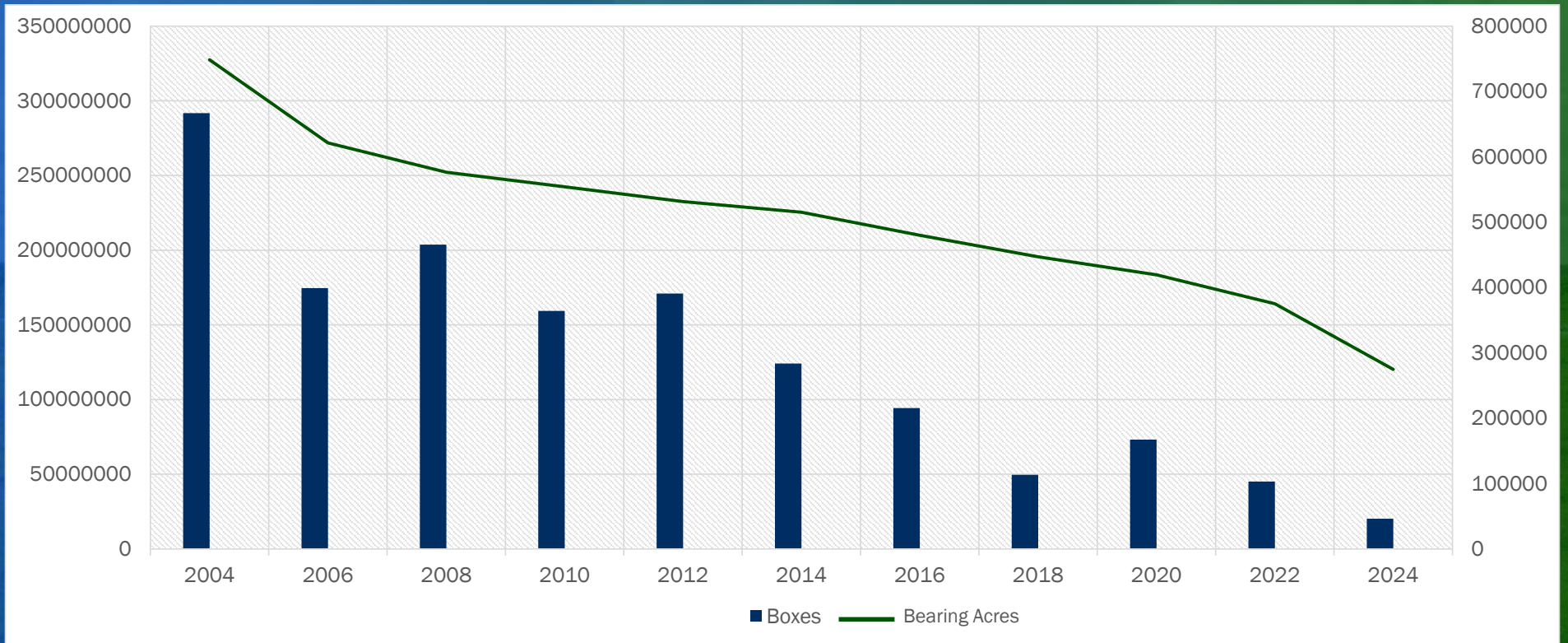
# Challenging Times

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- The past two decades have been the most challenging in the history of Florida citrus, filled with obstacles including pest and disease, and natural disasters.
  - Hurricanes Charley, Frances and Jeanne (2004)
  - Huanglongbing (2005)
  - Hurricane Irma (2017)
  - Major Freeze (2022)
  - Hurricanes Ian and Nicole (2022)
  - Hurricane Milton (2024)



# The Impacts of Disease & Disaster: Significant Production Loss



# The Future of Florida Citrus

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- Our Goal: To stabilize and improve Florida citrus production and maintain the Florida citrus infrastructure.
- Strategies include:
  - Disaster Recovery
  - Research on HLB
  - Breeding for tolerant and resistant trees
  - Increased citrus plantings
  - Implementation of proven therapies



# Promising Research

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- Plant Growth Regulators
- Citrus Under Protective Screens (CUPS)
- Individual Protective Covers (IPCs)
- Direct Systemic Application of Oxytetracycline
- Grove First molecules
- CRISPR
- ...and More



# Promising New Varieties

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- Expedited Propagation Programs
  - Significant funding for development of promising varieties through breeding as well as identification of “escape trees”.
    - Donaldson
    - Lennon R20-T30 (Parson Brown)
    - Lennon R21-T36 (Hamlin)
    - Hamlin N14-10
    - OLL-DC-3-36
    - OLL-DC-3-40

# CRAFT

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## Citrus Research and Field Trials, Inc.

- After more than a decade of focused HLB research, a 2018 National Academy of Science Report identified two things missing from the greening toolbox:
  - Comprehensive broad-scale field-testing
  - Centralized data management
- Organized as a Direct Service Organization under the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in 2019.
- Mission to move lab and research solutions into commercial groves for commercial-scale field trials; collect data on results of commercial field trials; and create an integrated data management solution.



# CRAFT

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## Citrus Research and Field Trials, Inc.

- CRAFT's initial goal in 2019 was to plant 5,000 acres of new citrus trees over the course of two years, to be used as experimental models for various HLB mitigation strategies and caretaking programs to counter the harmful effects of citrus greening.
- In 2022 the program expanded to include the use of novel therapies and treatments on mature plantings under the Existing Tree Therapies category.



# Looking Toward the Future

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- Growers, researchers and industry supporters are committed to the sustainability of the Florida citrus industry.
- Research, replanting, and revitalization continues.
- Losing the Florida citrus industry is NOT an option!



# Sustaining the Citrus Industry, Sustaining Florida

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- Florida citrus means jobs
  - Forms the backbone of many communities
  - 33,000 jobs provided for Florida families
  - Half a Billion Dollars in tax revenue generated annually
- Florida citrus has an annual economic impact of \$6.8 billion
  - The largest economic impact of any agriculture crop in Florida
- Preserving Florida's natural beauty
  - Citrus produces 16.7 tons of oxygen per acre of mature trees each year
  - Prevents the loss of natural landscape to urban development
  - Provides a habitat for 159 native species of wildlife
  - Serves as a natural water filter to replenish the underground aquifer



Thank You!

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An aerial photograph of a vast orange grove. The trees are arranged in neat, parallel rows that stretch across the landscape. The ground between the rows is a mix of green grass and brown soil. In the distance, a few small buildings and more fields are visible under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

# Soil & Water Conservation District Performance Review

Presented to: Florida Senate Committee on Agriculture

Date: February 4, 2025

# Presentation Overview

- 1 Statutory Requirements
- 2 Key Takeaways
- 3 District Background
- 4 Summary of Findings
- 5 District Capabilities & Outlook
- 6 Summary of Recommendations



## Statutory Requirements

Pursuant to s. 189.0695(3)(b), *Florida Statutes*, Mauldin & Jenkins (M&J) was engaged by the Florida Legislature's Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct performance reviews of the State's 49 independent soil and water conservation districts (District or Districts).

- M&J's report summarizes the results of the 49 performance reviews of the Districts conducted for the review period of October 1, 2020, through April 30, 2024
- The presentation highlights the key points within the 49 individual District reports provided to the Legislature



## Key Takeaways

### *Overarching Themes from the 49 individual District Reports*



**Activity Level:** Varied considerably amongst the Districts based on a number of factors



**District Resources:** Districts with reimbursement contracts with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) or U.S. Natural Resources Conservation (NRCS) generally have greater resources



## Key Takeaways



**Staffing:** Correlation with Districts with no staff and limited funding provide fewer programs or activities when compared to Districts with greater resources



**Meeting Notices:** Thirty-nine (39) districts did not consistently provide appropriate notice in accordance with 189.015, *Florida Statutes*



## Key Takeaways



**Records Retention:** Twenty-six (26) Districts had issues and should improve procedures to comply with Ch. 119, *Florida Statutes*



**Performance Management:** Forty-five (45) Districts lacked performance goals, objectives, performance measures, and performance standards that aligned with s. 582.02(4), *Florida Statutes*



**Financial Reporting:** Over the course of the review, which included four fiscal years, twenty-five (25) Districts failed at least once to timely file audit reports in accordance with s. 218.32, *Florida Statutes*

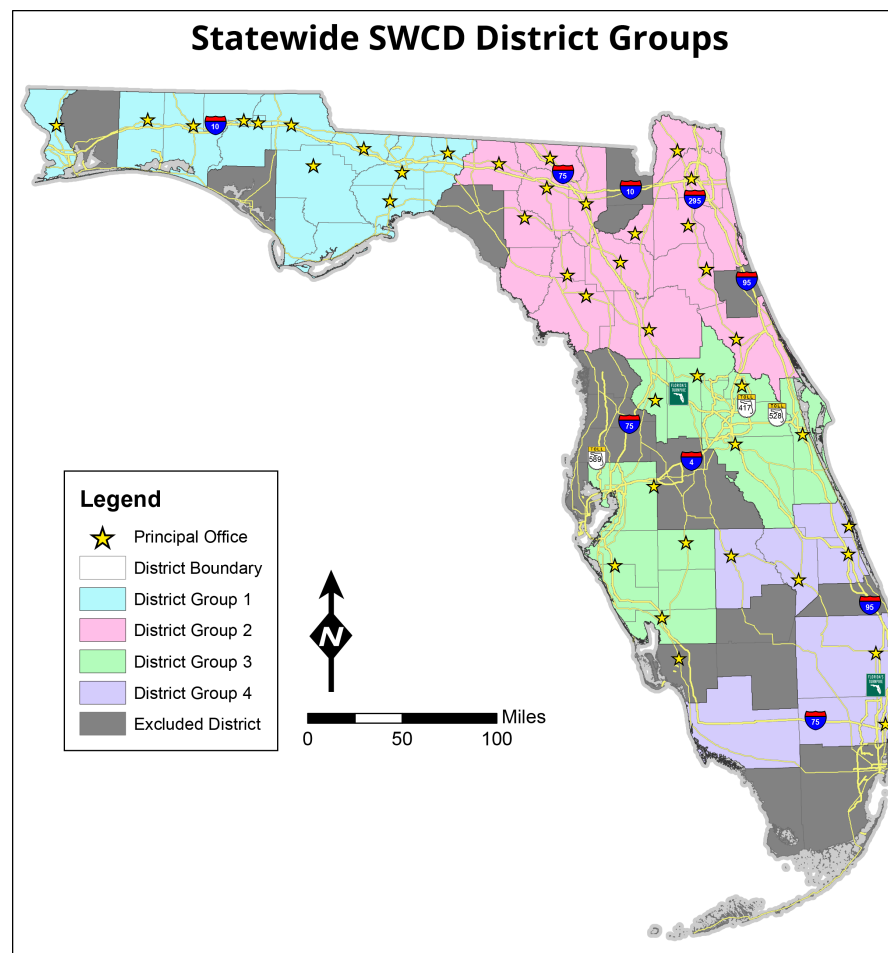


# District Background

Each District's statutory purpose, per s. 582.02, *Florida Statutes*, is "to provide assistance, guidance, and education to landowners, land occupiers, the agricultural industry, and the general public in implementing land and water resource protection practices.

The Legislature intends for soil and water conservation districts to work in conjunction with federal, state, and local agencies in all matters that implement the provisions of [Ch. 582, *Florida Statutes*]."

District grouping is based on the areas used by FDACS and NRCS.





## Summary of Findings

### Programs and Activities

Varied By District due to:

- Urban vs Rural
- Active or inactive board
- Available funding or recurring revenue
- Available staff
- Memorandum of Understanding with NRCS or contract with FDACS

### Revenue Sources

District are generally categorized in one of four ways from a revenue perspective:

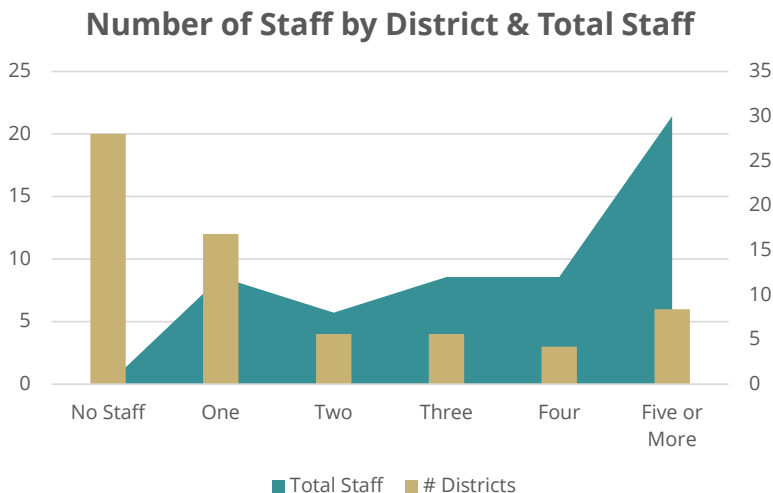
1. No revenue sources
2. Some county or local government support
3. Has an active contract with the FDACS or NRCS
4. Multiple revenue sources



# Summary of Findings

## Staffing

There was a total of 74 staff for the 49 Districts. Twenty (20) Districts, or nearly 41% have no staff



## Intergovernmental Interactions

Districts regularly interact with:

- Municipal and county governments
- School districts
- FDACS
- Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (University of Florida)
- Water management districts
- NRCS



## Summary of Findings

### Meeting Notices

M&J determined that 39 of the 49 Districts, or 79.6%, did not consistently provide appropriate notice

### Performance Management

Forty-five (45) Districts, or 91.8%, did not have strong performance accountability systems, such as:

- *Goals or Objectives*  
(39 Districts)
- *Performance Measures*  
(45 Districts)
- *Strategic or Long-Term Plan*  
(45 Districts)



# Summary of Findings

## Financial Reporting

Pursuant to s. 218.32, *Florida Statutes*, twenty-five (25) Districts failed at least once to file required financial reports on time during the four fiscal years reviewed:

- Each District is required to submit an Annual Financial Report every fiscal year by the compliance deadline
- Per s. 218.39, *Florida Statutes*, a District must submit an annual financial audit report if its revenues or combined expenses and expenditures exceed \$100,000 each year of the review period



## District Capabilities & Outlook

### District Viability

Correlates to its ability to continue operations. M&J identified additional issues that relate to a District's long-term viability:

- Electing and retaining qualified Supervisors
- Providing local knowledge and input to agricultural producers
- Increasing population throughout the State coinciding with ongoing development or conversion of agricultural properties to residential communities
- Recruiting and retaining qualified staff to reduce turnover
- Identifying and diversifying annual revenues
- Implementing performance measures to budget accurately, manage operations effectively



## District Capabilities & Outlook

### Future Operating Model

Whether maintaining the status quo or considering district consolidation or regionalization, the State should continue reevaluating how the Districts meet its statutory obligations:

- The Districts' current operating environment limits its ability to improve programs, increase services, or respond to constituent demand.
- Without the ability to generate revenue, the Districts will continue to struggle to provide services, programs, or activities, requiring the Districts to transform or face possible dissolution



# Summary of Recommendations

The M&J Team identified approximately 400 recommendations across the 49 District Reports. The recommendations are divided into four subject categories as shown below: Service Delivery, Resource Management, Performance Management, and Organization and Governance.

Recommendations by Category



# Summary of Recommendations

## Findings by Category and Subcategory

Category	Total
Subcategory	Recmds
<b>Category 1: Service Delivery</b>	
Collaboration and Partnerships	2
District Needs	6
Funding Strategy and Requests	4
Process and Procedures	4
Staff Model	4
<b>Category 1: Total</b>	<b>20</b>

<b>Category 3: Performance Management</b>	
Collect Stakeholder Feedback	36
Goals or Objectives	39
Interlocal Agreements	7
Mitigate Repeat Audit Findings	8
Performance Measures	45
Strategic or Long-Term Plans	45
Timeline for Financial Reporting	25
<b>Category 3: Total</b>	<b>205</b>

Category	Total
Subcategory	Recmds
<b>Category 2: Resource Management</b>	
Budgeting or Financial Reporting	27
Investment Policy	5
Ownership of Vehicles with FDACS Funds	1
Public Meeting Location Agreement	15
Recruitment or Hiring Practices	8
Revenue Diversification	22
<b>Category 2: Total</b>	<b>78</b>



<b>Category 4: Organization and Governance</b>	
Collaboration with Supervisor of Elections	30
Improve Meeting Notices	39
Improve Records Retention	25
<b>Category 4: Total</b>	<b>94</b>







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January 24, 2025

On behalf of the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners, I am writing you to urge you to support the continuation of our great county's soil and water board. As a rural community filled with agriculture, it is imperative that all concerns and needs of our farmers are addressed and the way to do that is to have a voice. The main purpose of the soil and water board was to be the voice of the people and our local farmers. We feel that by consolidating to a regional form, our voices will be lost in the crowd.

The Jefferson Soil and Water Board serves all of Jefferson County and has assisted our local farmers with cost share programs, encouraged more farmers to apply for these cost share programs, sponsored 4-H programs, partnered with the local Extension Ag Agent in hosting public events like field trials, and so much more. Recently there have been discussions and plans to provide more programs such as Ag in the Classroom and land judging contests.

As elected officials, our focus is to ensure that our citizens and our county have the best chances to obtain any opportunities available to be better. We, the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners, feel that with the elimination of the Jefferson County Soil and Water Board, we and other rural counties similar to ours, not only lose our voices, but also the hope of long-term sustainability of our lands.

We respectfully ask that you please consider not eliminating the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District. Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your support in ensuring that the Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District remains intact as an essential resource to not only the people of Jefferson County, but the State of Florida.

Thank you,

Austin Hosford  
Chairman

Cecil 'Trey' Hightower  
Clerk of Courts

Shannon Metty  
County Manager

Heather Encinosa  
County Attorney

# CourtSmart Tag Report

**Room:** SB 301  
**Caption:** Senate Committee on Agriculture

**Case No.:**

**Type:**  
**Judge:**

**Started:** 2/4/2025 11:00:59 AM

**Ends:** 2/4/2025 12:25:36 PM

**Length:** 01:24:38

11:01:00 AM Chair Truenow calls meeting to order  
11:01:02 AM Roll Call  
11:01:13 AM Pledge of Allegiance  
11:01:36 AM Chair Truenow provides opening announcements  
11:01:55 AM Tab 1, Update on the State of Citrus Industry by Shannon Shepp, Executive Director of the Department of Citrus and Matt Joyner, Executive Vice President and CEO of Florida Citrus Mutual  
11:02:59 AM Matt Joyner, Executive Vice President and CEO of Florida Citrus Mutual  
11:20:32 AM Questions:  
11:20:36 AM Senator Bernard  
11:20:55 AM Matt Joyner  
11:22:37 AM Senator Boyd  
11:23:02 AM Matt Joyner  
11:23:11 AM Senator Boyd  
11:23:31 AM Matt Joyner  
11:24:19 AM Chair Truenow  
11:24:33 AM Matt Joyner  
11:25:28 AM Chair Truenow  
11:25:43 AM Matt Joyner  
11:26:03 AM Chair Truenow  
11:26:16 AM Matt Joyner  
11:27:08 AM Chair Truenow  
11:27:42 AM Matt Joyner  
11:29:16 AM Chair Truenow thanks Matt Joyner  
11:29:34 AM Matt Joyner  
11:29:49 AM Chair Truenow recognizes Shannon Shepp  
11:29:53 AM Shannon Shepp, Executive Director of the Department of Citrus  
11:35:53 AM Questions:  
11:35:57 AM Chair Truenow  
11:36:08 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:36:46 AM Chair Truenow  
11:36:56 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:38:00 AM Senator Bernard  
11:38:15 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:38:46 AM Chair Truenow  
11:40:20 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:40:54 AM Chair Truenow  
11:40:59 AM Senator Burton  
11:41:16 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:41:28 AM Senator Burton  
11:44:07 AM Shannon Shepp  
11:44:27 AM Senator Bernard  
11:44:53 AM Chair Truenow  
11:45:05 AM Chair Truenow thanks Shannon Shepp and Matt Joyner  
11:45:31 AM Tab 2, Presentation on OPPAGA Soil and Water Conservation District Performance Review by David Jahosky, Mauldin & Jenkins  
11:46:16 AM David Jahosky, Mauldin & Jenkins  
12:10:17 PM Questions:  
12:10:22 PM Senator Grall  
12:10:56 PM David Jahosky  
12:11:25 PM Senator Grall  
12:12:00 PM David Jahosky  
12:13:08 PM Chair Truenow

**12:14:35 PM** Senator Bernard  
**12:15:02 PM** David Jahosky  
**12:16:09 PM** Senator Bernard  
**12:16:26 PM** Chair Truenow  
**12:17:59 PM** Chair Truenow thanks David Jahosky  
**12:18:22 PM** Chair Truenow opens for public comments  
**12:18:29 PM** Chris Tuten  
**12:22:42 PM** Questions:  
**12:22:45 PM** Senator Boyd  
**12:23:00 PM** Chris Tuten  
**12:23:30 PM** Senator Boyd  
**12:23:47 PM** Chris Tuten  
**12:24:30 PM** Chair Truenow thanks Chris Tuten  
**12:24:40 PM** Chair Truenow  
**12:25:21 PM** Vice Chair Grall moves to adjourn  
**12:25:29 PM** Meeting adjourned