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Florida Water StarSM \$700 Irrigation Offset Rebates Alachua County

Florida Water StarSM (FWS) is a voluntary water conservation certification program for new homes and commercial buildings that meet specific water-efficiency criteria for:

- Indoor fixtures and appliances
- Landscape design
- Irrigation systems

\$700 Rebate Availability and Requirements

- The home must be FWS certified by a trained FWS certifier.
- Home plans must include a permanent inground irrigation system.
- Rebate funds are available for the first 150 properties to achieve FWS certification beginning April 10, 2017.

Builder Benefits

- \$700 rebate per property.
- The County Irrigation Design Fees and Inspection process is waived for FWS homes.
- Trained Landscape and Irrigation Contractors — FWS Irrigation and Landscape Accredited Professionals in Alachua County have been trained to design and/or install systems meeting FWS criteria.
- Certifiers Available to Advise and Inspect — FWS certifiers in Alachua County are available to assist in building to FWS criteria and inspect homes.
- Materials to Educate Customers about Your FWS Homes — Free FWS brochures customizable with your company logo.

Home Buyer Benefits

- FWS-certified homes save an estimated \$530 on annual utility bills.
- Homes have undergone a FWS inspection, ensuring the most water-efficient features are installed.
- FWS-certified homes save up to 48,000 gallons of water each year.
- Homes deliver landscape designs and irrigation systems that work together to provide better performance and superior quality.
- Free FWS plaques (4" X 4") for homeowner display.

To learn more about the FWS program, rebate opportunities and trained professionals in Alachua County, please contact Stacie Greco, Alachua County Environmental Protection Department at (352) 264-6829, sgreco@alachuacounty.us.

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