## FloridaWCA features water and climate at the 4th Biennial Water Institute Symposium

Over 20 FloridaWCA participants recently attended the 2014 UF Water Institute Symposium entitled, "Water Supply Planning in a Non-Stationary World" contributing nine



presentations throughout the 2-day program. Bertha Goldenberg (Miami Dade Water and Sewer), Mike Cullum (SJWMD), and Kathryn Frank (UF), all active in FloridaWCA, served on the WI Symposium planning committee and moderated sessions. Bertha led two sessions on Water Supply Planning and Management and Mike convened a panel on Climate Predictions in Water Supply, and Kathryn a panel featuring two

current regional water supply planning initiatives in Florida. FloridaWCA members making presentations are listed below. Their presentation titles and link to the presentation are over leaf.

- <u>Tirusew Asefa</u>, Tampa Bay Water
- <u>Jessica Bolson</u>, Wharton Risk Management and Decision Processes Center
- Kathryn I Frank, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, UF
- Tracy Irani, Center for Public Issues Education, UF/IFAS
- **Kevin Morris**,, Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority
- **Jayantha Obeysekera**, South Florida Water Management District
- **Di Tian**, University of Florida
- Galen Treuer, Leonard and Jayne Abess Center for Ecosystem Science and Policy, University of Miami



Alison Adams (Tampa Bay Water) raised the importance of climate change research for use in hydrologic modeling emphasizing the need more research as it relates to Florida and the Southeast during the final plenary session. She asked the panel members (leaders of Florida's agencies responsible for water planning and management) about their support for that



type of research to help understand climate change impact on water resources. <u>Click here</u> <u>for the video stream of the question and response.</u>