The \$10 Million George Barley Water Prize





Widespread Water Crisis

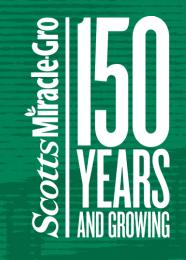
Nutrient pollution is impacting lakes and rivers around the globe.











Around the World



Lake Victoria, 2006



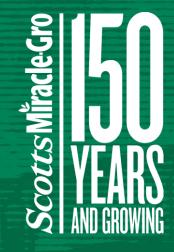
Barwon-Darling River, 1992

Lake Winnipeg, 2000





Lake Taihu, 1998





Where is P coming from?

Urban areas – wastewater and stormwater (P and N)

Farms – over fertilization (P and N)

Dairies – Manure (P and N)

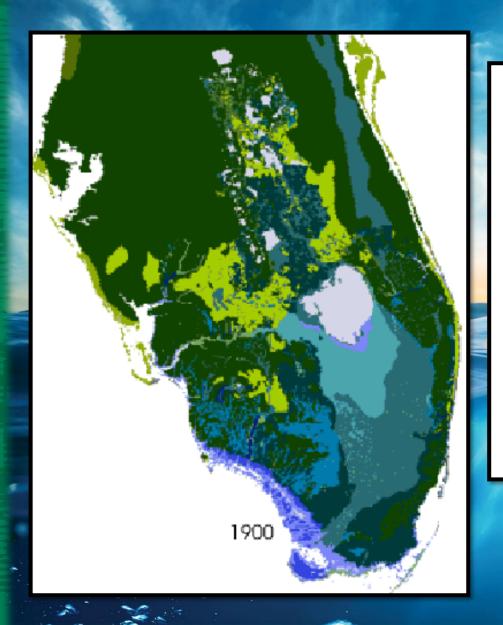








In Florida

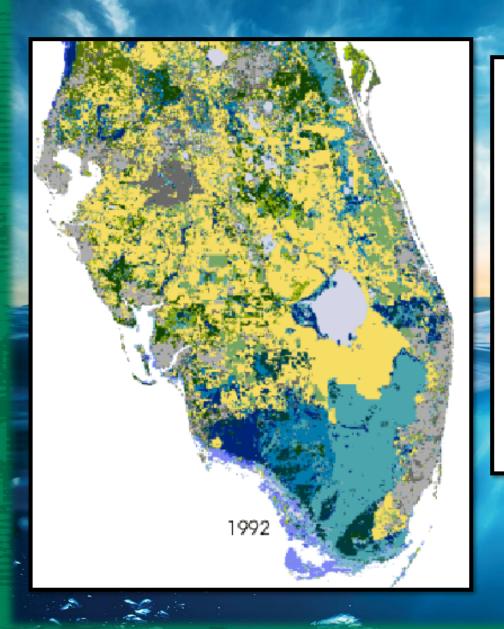


landcover types

- open water
- mangroves
- saltwater marsh
- woody wetlands
- deciduous needleleaf/swamp (cypress)
 - evergreen shrub wetland
- saw grasses/other marshes
- slough, bog, or marsh
- wet prairie, marsh
- evergreen needleleaf trees
- deciduous broadleaf frees
- evergreen broadleaf trees
- mixed woodland
- shrubs
- grasses
- crops/mixed farming
- mixed residential
- urban/roads, rock, sand

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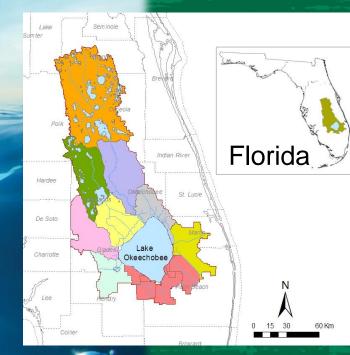
Lake Okeechobee 1200 **Measured Total Phosphorus Loads to the Lake** (mtons) 1000 800 600

400

200

Daily Load





Ecological Impacts











- Imbalance in the food web
- Oxygen depletion
- Flora and fauna changes

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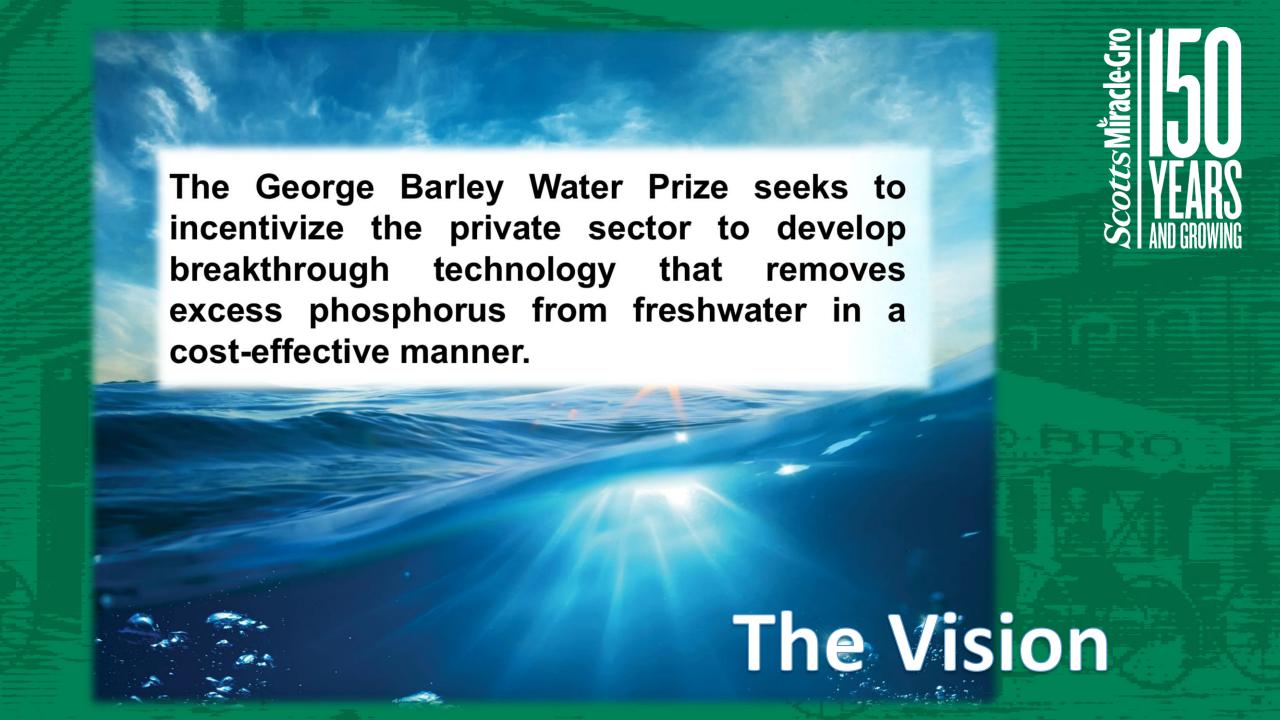
Current Solutions GBWP Solutions

- **Cost prohibitive**
 - **Land intensive**
- Legislative Challenges

- Radically costeffective
- Tested through size requirements
- Technological breakthrough



The Vision





\$10 million award to incentivize innovation on a grand scale

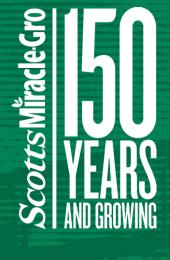


\$915,000 in awards for pilot technologies that solve the early problems and build toward the George Barley Prize



Sponsored awards to incentivize novel technologies, practices, and methodologies

- Winning technology has to be resilient and work under variable conditions – in different freshwater bodies and in different climates.
- To win the \$10 million grand prize, the technology must reduce water phosphorus level to 10 micrograms per liter, and the applied technology must be cost-effective.
- A 4-year competition, concluding in Fall 2020 with Grand Challenge Award.
- 3 stages where technologies will be tested in a lab environment and at a pilot scale. These phases mimic the natural stages of technology development. At the end of each stage, there will be an event to highlight the work, with sub-prizes awarded ranging from \$5,000 to \$200,000 to the most successful ideas by a panel of esteemed judges. A total of \$1.2 million in sub-prizes.
- An independent and highly respected group of partners, judges and experts have been engaged to design, advise, and operate the competition.



How it works





Competitor Geography

