



The Georgia Conservancy's

Principles for Sustainable Water Supply

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1. Water is, and must remain, a public resource.
2. The existing ban on interbasin transfers within the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District must remain inviolate.
3. Any water management strategy for metro Atlanta must ensure downstream communities of guaranteed instream flows so as not to deprive them of future economic prosperity.
4. Water policy decisions must be based on science and must protect all uses.
5. To meet water needs in the most efficient and cost-effective manner, only three reservoirs are needed: a reauthorized Lake Lanier and Lake Allatoona and a "Hidden Reservoir": the use of aggressive water conservation.

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