

Wacissa River Water Mining and Bottled Water Resources

2010 Water Supply Assessment Report from the Suwannee River Water Management District:

http://www.srwmd.org/documents/Water%20Resources/Water%20Supply%20Planning/WSAR_draft1.PDF

Local Wacissa River Watch Group

<http://www.savethewacissa.com/>

Nestle Waters Website

<http://www.nestle-waters.com/>

Stop Nestle Waters Blog

<http://stopnestlewaters.org/>

The Pacific Institute estimates that in 2006:

- **Producing the bottles for American consumption required the equivalent of more than 17 million barrels of oil, not including the energy for transportation**
- **Bottling water produced more than 2.5 million tons of carbon dioxide**
- **It took 3 liters of water to produce 1 liter of bottled water**

http://www.pacinst.org/topics/water_and_sustainability/bottled_water/bottled_water_and_energy.html

DIFFERENCES WITH TAP

- **EPA regulates tap water, requiring 300-400 tests/day.**
- **FDA Guidelines regulate bottled water for interstate sale – but NOT for instate sale – UP TO 70% of bottled water is bottled and sold instate.**
- **One FDA inspector for all bottled water operations in the U.S.**
- **Companies produce proprietary research on B.W. safety. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEIR STUDIES SHOW.**

RECYCLING DATA

- **500 MILLION PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES USED EVERY WEEK**
- **Fewer than 20% of all plastic water bottles are recycled.**
- **Plastic bottles contain paraxylene, a derivative of benzene, a highly carcinogenic chemical.**

FILMS

Tapped - <http://www.tappedthemovie.com/> Focuses bottled water in the U.S.

Flow - <http://www.flowthefilm.com/> Water issues in the U.S. and beyond

Thirst - <http://www.thirstthemovie.org/> - Global struggles over water privatization

BOOKS

Blue Gold (2002) by Maude Barlow

<http://www.carnegiecouncil.org/resources/transcripts/830.html>

Bottlemania (2008) by Elizabeth Royte

<http://www.nytimes.com/2008/06/15/books/review/Margonelli-t.html>