Q1. Can the PL-566 program be used to replace old PL-566 structures that have reached their lifespan and/or now serve a different purpose than when originally installed?

A1. No. There is no funding that just allows the original structure to be replaced. A new watershed plan can be requested and through the planning phase, it may be determined that a new structure is needed to replace the original structure.

Q2. A particular watershed falls in both Florida and Georgia. Does that watershed qualify for the PL-566 program?

A2. Yes. However, there would need to be a sponsor in Georgia for the portion that falls in Georgia. Also, there would need to be coordination with all parties involved, including Georgia NRCS.

Q3. How are projects ranked for funding? Is there a purpose that ranks higher than others?

A3. Projects are ranked at the national level. Currently, there is no formal ranking system. Priorities for the latest round of funding are: new sponsors, limited resource or historically underserved communities, tribal sponsors, western United States water projects, and backlogged projects. Also considered is the geographic location and amount of funding requested.