## JOINT MEETING SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

## **SPEAKER BIOS**

## The Honorable Doug Bournique, Chair, TCRPC Gubernatorial Appointee



Mr. Bournique is Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Indian River Citrus League, a grower trade association representing growers and commercial packinghouses along Florida's east coast stretching from Daytona to the West Palm Beach Canal in Palm Beach County. The District has approximately 45,000 acres of commercial citrus which is grown primarily for the fresh fruit market. For more than four decades, Doug has led the charge on water, legislative, and marketing and regulatory issues facing agriculture and fresh Florida citrus. Proving that his impact reached beyond the Indian River District, Doug received strong statewide recognition for his many contributions and the importance of his role in the resurrection and sustainability of fresh Florida citrus in the face of its current trials.

Doug's background in water is extensive going back to the mid 1970's, when he was Director of the Environmental Affairs for the Sugar Cane industry. Since then, he has worked on the Upper St. Johns Project, the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program, the Upper East Coast Water Supply Plan, Indian River Citrus BMPs Steering Committee and is currently a member of the South Florida Water Management District's Water Resources Advisory Commission, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Indian River Lagoon Council and serves on St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board. He is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions including the 2018 John T. Leslie Award of Excellence presented for recognition of an individual for outstanding leadership and service on behalf of the Florida fresh citrus industry.