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Thursday's Daily Pulse

What you need to know about Florida today

Economist: 'It's getting harder ... to create jobs' in Florida

Jobs aren't cropping up in Florida quite like they used to, and with public-private partnerships on the chopping block, the tide is unlikely to turn any time soon. That was the message economist Jerry Parrish had for the 1,000 attendees of the Broward Workshop's "State of the County" forum. [Source: Palm Beach Post]

A look into Florida's phosphate industry

Phosphate mining and production takes a heavy toll on the state's environment. But the industry also plays a key role in Florida's economy. Florida Matters explores what phosphate contributes to the state, and at what price. [Source: WUSF]

ALSO AROUND FLORIDA:

> Water woes: Florida Senate approves plan to stop toxic algae [AP]

Following extensive debate, Florida senators have sent a bill to the House that creates a reservoir system south of Lake Okeechobee meant to stop toxic algae discharges from fouling coastal communities.

- » See also: News release from Sen. Negron, "Florida Senate passes plan to reduce harmful discharges from Lake Okeechobee."
- » See also: Florida Senate agrees to give Everglades a 78-billion gallon drink of cleaner water
- > Massive \$3 billion development will accelerate Tampa, Florida's growth [The

Architect's Newspaper]

Tampa, Florida, is one of the fastest growing cities in America. But one development in particular is set to catapult it forward more quickly than any other.