

Amid data center backlash, Google gives \$1M to Georgia wetlands

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Google will spend \$1 million on conservation work in a watershed in South Georgia near one of its data centers.

The donation, announced this week, is part of a \$17 million commitment by Google to support seven waterway and infrastructure improvement projects nationwide.

In Georgia, the non-profit Ducks Unlimited will be putting Google's

money toward the restoration of 35 acres of wetlands in the Flint River Wildlife Management Area.

Google has a data center nearby, in Douglas County.

Data centers often use a significant amount of water to cool computer servers, although the one in Douglas County uses recycled wastewater.

Google's contribution announcement comes amid a backlash against

data centers.

"U.S. data centers are using less than 1% of the water used to water Americans' lawns," Ben Townsend of Google said in an interview last week.

"That doesn't mean that folks' fears about water should be dismissed," said Townsend, the company's global head of infrastructure and sustainability.

"Let's be honest, over the past 100 years, we've seen industrial water use go wrong in lots of differ-

ent sectors. And here at Google we know that that can't be us. It won't be us."

On Wednesday, the same day Google lifted its embargo on its announcement, voters in Monterey Park, Calif. overwhelmingly banned data centers, making it the first city in the country to do so by public vote.

Data voters are a hot topic in Georgia, too.

They need a lot of electricity to power their

computer servers, so the Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC), a state regulator, voted in December to let monopoly utility Georgia Power add nearly 10 gigawatts of power production, mostly for data centers.

That has raised concerns about ratepayers covering the cost of new gas turbines and utility lines to benefit big tech companies. Georgia Power has pledged not to shift costs like that.

Critics counter that those are short-term pledges and that long-term costs could still fall on regular ratepayers.

Google's Townsend said the company is committed to transparency around water use, releasing annual disclosures.

He said Google also is committed to expanding its water restoration and reclamation work so that it is replenishing more water than it uses by 2030.

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Many of us may have found that the fears we encountered as children have significantly changed as we grew older. Of course, this is normal, but sometimes, addressing our fears as adults can actually be a more difficult undertaking. A child may overcome their fear of a dark room upon a light switch being turned on, as they recognize there was nothing in the room for them to be afraid of. In the same way, we may overestimate the effect of our fears on ourselves, so it is quite important to stay grounded in this regard. This can be done by reasoning through our fears and their effects. Some determinations we can try to make are finding whether the fear is justified to begin with, whether it is a fear based in uncertainty, or whether it is a fear based on an impending occurrence that we're aware of. It is also quite important to remember that we do not face our fears alone. As we develop relationships as we continue to grow in age and character, we may find it much easier in addressing fears, or really, any problem, by utilizing the support of our families, friends, or communities in faith. While the nature of our fears surely changes throughout our lives, we may find there are certain approaches to facing them that are universally beneficial.

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