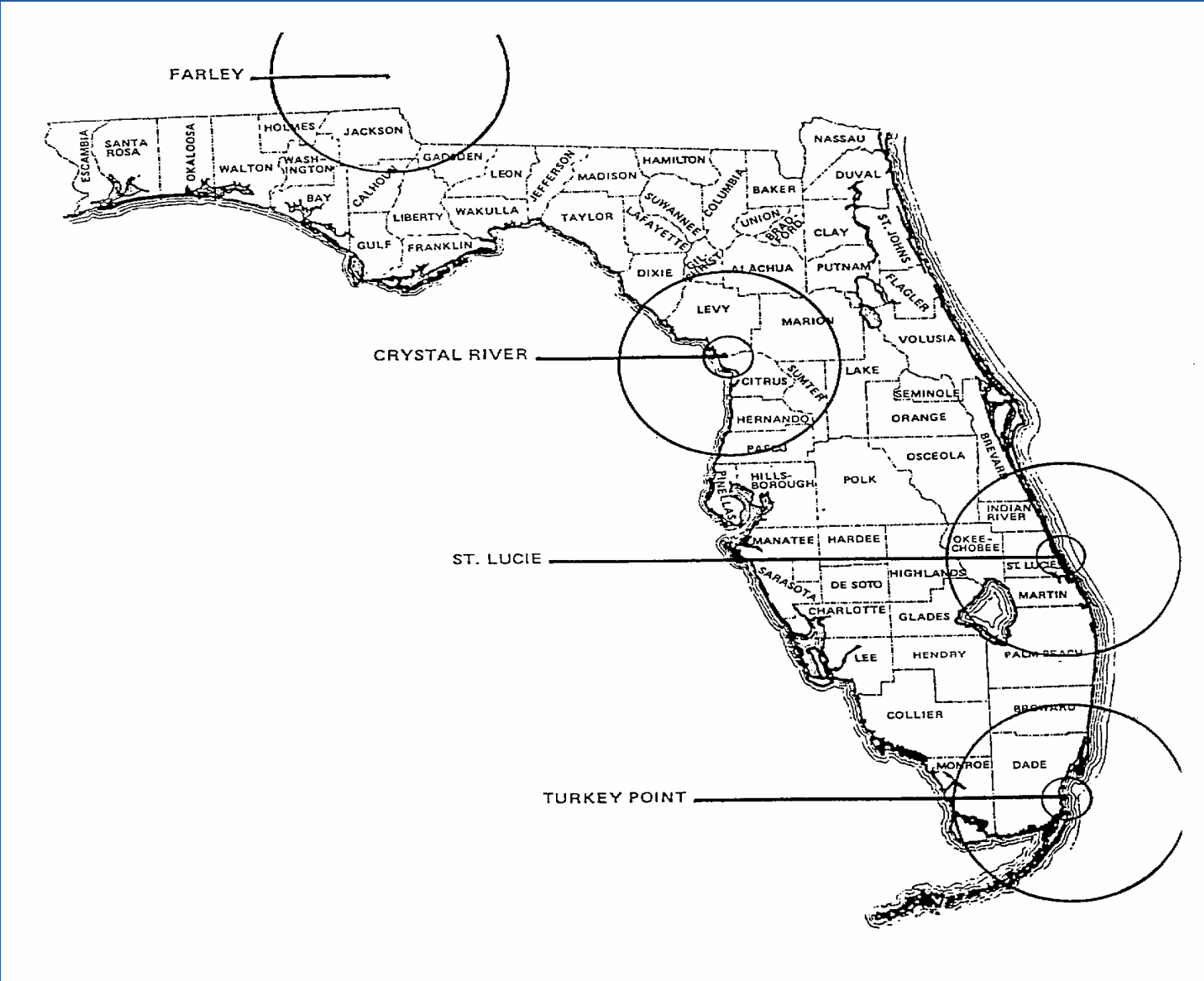


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- State & local plans/procedures for the three sites in Florida and the Farley site have been in place for 3 decades
- Concern is the over-reaction to any event in areas that are remote from the hazard
- The further you are away from a hazard, the safer you are, but it also means people are less informed about the hazard
- EM Directors need to be the confident voice that the public in their locale are not in harm's way

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- Watts Barr Nuclear Plant Unusual Event
- Prime example of an over-reaction poor communication at the local level

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- Commissioners and Mayors of remote areas or large population centers need to be reassured that their constituents are safe.
- Best to do that before an event occurs.
- The more likely minor event such as the Watts Barr event could result in unnecessary reactions.

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