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Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Lee County Caloosahatchee Tributary Canal Rehabilitation L-3

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Lizbeth Benacquisto

3. **Date of Submission:** 11/17/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Lee County and the City of Fort Myers would join as partners to complete this project, which will enhance water quality and conservation without jeopardizing flood control. The purpose of this project is to rehabilitate the L-3 Canal for the purpose of water quality improvement. The project will increase the residence time of stormwater runoff, which will allow for attenuation, groundwater recharge, and nutrient uptake by plants. The rehabilitation of this canal will also add aesthetic appeal with the addition of native plants. This project helps achieve the goals of the Caloosahatchee River Watershed Protection Plan and the Caloosahatchee Estuary Basin Management Action Plan.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Environmental Protection

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
	400,000	400,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	100,000	20.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	100,000	20.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 500,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?



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- d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
e. Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

Improvement in water quality and wildlife usage

b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

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c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Not specified	400,000



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Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		400,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

The Project is expected to provide multiple benefits including water quality improvements, increased natural function, habitat enhancement, and groundwater recharge. This project will provide ecosystem restoration through hydrologic and water quality improvements

e. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Lee County and the City of Ft. Myers

f. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Improvement in water quality and wildlife usage. Collection and analysis of water quality samples

g. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Failure to adequately fulfill deliverables as contractually agreed can lead to non-payment and/or contract termination.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

- a. **Name:** Roland Ottolini
- b. **Organization:** Lee County
- c. **Email:** rottolini@leegov.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (239)533-8109

14. Recipient Contact Information:



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a. Organization: Lee County

b. County: Lee

c. Organization Type:

- ☐ For Profit
- ☒ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- ☐ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (Please specify)

d. Contact Name: Roland Ottolini

e. E-mail Address: rottolini@leegov.com

f. Phone Number: (239)533-8109

15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

a. Name: Sarah Bleakley

b. Firm: Nabors Giblin & Nickerson

c. Email: Sbleakley@nglaw.com

d. Phone Number: (850)224-4070

16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- ☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☐ Other (Please describe)
- ☒ N/A

17. What is the population economic status?

- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- ☐ Rural Area of Economic Concern
- ☐ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288-0656, Florida Statutes)
- ☒ N/A

18. What is the status of construction?

N/A



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19. What percentage of construction has been completed?

N/A

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

July 30, 2019