



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1618

1. Title of Project: Pasco County Millers Bayou Working Waterfront Enhancements

2. Senate Sponsor: Ed Hooper

3. Date of Submission: 01/07/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

\$3 million for development of conceptual and design plans for construction of an underpass at US 19 and the Pithlachascotee River and replacement of shrimp docks in Port Richey at Millers Bayou. The underpass will provide a safe travel route for pedestrians and bicyclists. These shrimp docks operate as a working waterfront that serves the commercial shrimping industry in Pasco County. Docking space at the docks is limited, and needs to be expanded and improved. A scope of work and Interlocal agreement has been drafted for the US 19 Cotee River Trail feasibility study. The feasibility study will detail cost estimates for the recommended plans for both the Cotee River Trail. Additional study is needed to encompass public access to working waterfronts and trail connections within the Millers Bayou area, a major entertainment district located within the Harbors West Market area of US 19 in the City of Port Richey.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency Contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	300,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,700,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,000,000	100.00%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	3,000,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? Yes



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a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 250000.00

10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Planning, conceptual design, design and engineering, feasibility study for all phases of the underpass trail and connections, including shrimp docks. Land acquisition plans and/or lease agreement for privately owned shrimp docks to facilitate public access. Development of construction bid documents and FDOT approved plans.	300,000
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction and Maintenance of Traffic	2,700,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Funding will provide a safe travel accessway for bicyclists and pedestrians to safely move from the west side of US 19 to the east side of US 19 and vice versa. At the Cotee River, US 19 has 7 lanes plus a bike lane at Grand Boulevard, an area with high crash rates for pedestrians and bicyclists. Trail underpass will assist in safely connecting the City of New Port Richey's Sims Park and the City of Port Richey's Waterfront Park. Additionally, the Riverwalk/trail will increase pedestrian and bicyclist traffic to the Millers Bayou Waterfront District, as well as provide much needed replacement of the existing shrimp/fishingi docks and develop/secure public access to the working waterfront of Millers Bayou.

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

Funds will be utilized to hire a consulting firm through a competitive bid process for development of a planning and design concept plan for the US 19 underpass and working waterfront Riverwalk/trail, trail connections, design, engineering, land acquisition planning, land acquisition, landscaping, maintenance of traffic and construction bid document preparation and FDOT approved plans along these planned working waterfront public riverwalk/trails..



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

The project will: 1) enrich cultural experiences along the working waterfront of Millers Bayou; 2) protect the general public from harm through improved waterfront access and wayfinding for residents and tourists to public community assets; 3) improve alternative transportation access conditions by providing additional pedestrian and bicycle travel ways (Riverwalk/trail connections) to the Millers Bayou area; and 4) increased/improvement to economic opportunity and tourism through increased fishing industry dockage and public access to working waterfront; 5) improve public health through less pedestrian fatalities on roadways as evidenced by crash data post construction.

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

The target population includes the general population.

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

Improvement to physical health is measured by pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular crash data and counts. Enrichment of cultural experience is measured by improved park attendance via park visitation logs. The improvement of public access to working waterfronts will be measured by bicycle and pedestrian count data pre- and post construction. The increase in economic activity will be measured by increased dockage of fishing vessels at new/improved docks and sales and private investments within the Millers Bayou area.

f. 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?

To be determined.

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.

Project includes lands owned by both the State Department of Transportation and Pasco County Board of County Commissioners. Some private lands may need to be acquired.

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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- b. Organization:** Pasco County Board of County Commissioners
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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. Organization:** Pasco County Board of County Commissioners, Planning and Development Department, Long Range Planning
- b. County:** Pasco
- c. Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)



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

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15. Lobbyist Contact Information

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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only

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

19. What percentage of construction has been completed? N/A

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction? N/A