



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3448

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Hookers Point Community is primarily a residential community located in eastern Hendry County south of Lake Okeechobee and east of the City of Clewiston. This project serves to expand wastewater service and eliminate onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems and to convert to central sewer facilities. This project is included in the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP) Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Area of Lake Okeechobee and in the Eastern Caloosahatchee River Basin of the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary Basin BMAP. This project is an important part of Hendry County's efforts to reduce nutrients coming from wastewater within the BMAP area. This project will allow the County to move forward with septic to central sewer conversions in the Hookers Point Community. The project will include a wastewater force main pumping system which will serve as the backbone for the septic to sewer conversion project.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,500,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	3,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.



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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Cares Act Funds \$7,332,515.00
 FHFC Funds \$186,549.70
 E911 State Board \$36,000.00
 HHS Stimulus \$25,418.81
 FAA Covid Funds \$81,372.00
 Emergency Housing Vouchers \$33,960.00
 ARPA \$4,081,140.50

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Design, permitting, construction, and construction engineering & inspection (CEI) services	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,500,000



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14. Program Performance

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

To expand wastewater service in the Hookers Point community of Hendry County.

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

Hiring contracted firms for design, permitting, construction, and construction engineering & inspection (CEI) services to expand wastewater service.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

There will be no direct services provided.

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

Commercial businesses and residents in the Hooker's Point community.

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

Reduces potential impact to environment that may contribute to negative impact to water quality. Number of septic conversions to central sewer.

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 the contract?

Revocation of funding from the State.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

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



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d. First Name Last Name
e. E-mail Address
f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify) DEP grants
- N/A

19. 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

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?