



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1209

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The West Orange Trail Extension along Welch Road and Wekiva Springs Road will provide a 12-foot wide trail connection from the West Orange Trail on Rock Springs Road to the entrance of Wekiwa State Park entrance. This connection is approximately 3.0 miles in length and will connect to the Seminole County Wekiva River Blueway Trail at Wekiwa State Park. This proposed project will also provide a connection from Wekiwa State Park to the planned Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail, which is approximately 250 miles in length and will connect from St. Petersburg on the west coast to Titusville on the east coast. The proposed trail extension project is estimated to cost approximately \$800,000 for design and approximately \$4,400,000 in construction.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	640,080
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	640,080

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	640,080	80%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	160,020	20%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	800,100	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

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



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Yes

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

No COVID-19 funds have gone to this project. Orange County has received \$243 million in CARES Act funds, and \$270 million from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) local recovery funding. Uses of the funds include things like rental/mortgage assistance, payroll assistance, facilities alteration expenses and employee/customer hygiene supplies, etc.

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

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	Consultant design services	640,080
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		640,080

14. Program Performance

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



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The funding will be used for consulting services to produce construction bid documents/plans for The West Orange Trail Extension along Welch Road and Wekiwa Springs Road which will provide a 12-foot wide trail connection from the West Orange Trail on Rock Springs Road to the entrance of Wekiwa State Park entrance. This connection is approximately 3.0 miles in length and will connect to the Seminole County Wekiwa River Blueway Trail at Wekiwa State Park. This proposed project will also provide a connection from Wekiwa State Park to the planned Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail, which is approximately 250 miles in length and will connect from St. Petersburg on the west coast to Titusville on the east coast.

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

We will use these funds to hire an engineering consultant to complete the final design of this project and to produce construction bid documents/final engineering plans.

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

The citizens will receive a 12-foot wide trail connection from the West Orange Trail on Rock Springs Road to the entrance of Wekiwa State Park entrance. This connection is approximately 3.0 miles in length and will connect to the Seminole County Wekiwa River Blueway Trail at Wekiwa State Park. This proposed project will also provide a connection from Wekiwa State Park to the planned Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail, which is approximately 250 miles in length and will connect from St. Petersburg on the west coast to Titusville on the east coast.

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

Residents of Orange County who use the trail system for recreational uses such as biking, running and walking.

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

The benefit will be a safe recreational trail connection between Wekiwa Start Park and the West Orange Trail. The outcome can be measured by the number of users of the trail after the construction of the trail is complete. The outcome can also be measured by the increase in the number of bicyclist and pedestrians that enter Wekiwa State park after construction of the trail extension is complete.

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?

The potential for future contracts with the County could be in jeopardy if the consultant does not perform the design services in the needed time frame.

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)



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Local Entity

University or College

Other (please specify) Local Government

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