



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1511

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The Town of Pierson does not have a sanitary sewer collection and treatment system. All properties except the school are served via septic tanks. The Town of Pierson desires installing a gravity sewer system with new Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The project involves 11,400 LF of gravity main, 1700 LF of force main; a new lift station, effluent drainfield expansion, and a new 100,000 GPD concrete sequencing batch reactor for a new wastewater treatment plant.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	6,436,125
Total State Funds Requested	6,436,125

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)	6,436,125	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 2023-2024	6,436,125	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?

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



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\$948,116.00
 \$150K of the funds went towards capital expenditures for equipment and the balance went into reserves to cover budget shortfalls.

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		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	This project involves approximately 11,400 LF of gravity sewer; a new 180 GMP @ 80.5 TDH submersible lift station; approximately 1,700 LF of force main; a new 0.10 MGD Squencing Batch Reactor Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)	6,436,125
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		6,436,125

14. Program Performance

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



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The current septic systems pose a threat to surrounding lakes and residential areas. Due to the highly permeable soils, the lateral movement of septic tank effluent can impact surrounding water bodies. The creation of a centralized wastewater collection and treatment system will result in a more efficient use of land use and encourage new commercial development.

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

This project will enable connection of all homes and businesses. A preliminary report assumed that 25% of the current water customers will connect to the centralized system by 2025. Growth will occur such that 50% of the water users will connect to the sewer system by 2035. Projections indicate that the initial plant capacity of 100,00 GPD will serve the town until 2035.

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

The wastewater collection and treatment system will support the Town of Pierson and support the growth through the year 2040.

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

Persons living below the poverty level, the elderly population, the residents and businesses of the Town of Pierson will be served by the WWTP. The total of individuals expected to be served is 1542.

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

The lack of a wastewater collection and treatment system has limited the Town's ability to attract new commercial development. Currently residents must travel between 14 and 18 miles for all but the most basic of goods and services.

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 continuation of decreasing population, and the threat of health and safety of residents without reliable and safe wastewater system.

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



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- 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

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)
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- 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?



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Dec 31, 2025