



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2882

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

The Big Bend Water Authority (BBWA) water system experiences between 25% and 40% unaccounted for water. This project replaces two segments of transite water main in Riverside Drive along with replacing all of the water meters with new meters that have a feature that "listens" for leaks in water mains. The transite pipe is very brittle and subject to leaks.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	28%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	5,271,800	72%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	7,271,800	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?**

No

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



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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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

July 1, 2025

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.

The owner will be the Big Bend Water Authority, which is the entity requesting funding

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	Construction of water main replacement, new water meters and engineering fees (bidding and services during construction)	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

Reduce unaccounted for water

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

Replace water mains that are subject to leaking and install new meters that will not only be more accurate but also have a feature that allows each meter to "listen" for leaks in the mains..

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



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Reducing unaccounted for water not only reduces operating cost (have to treat less water) but also extends the time period for increasing water supply and treatment capacity.

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

All of the BBWA water customers will benefit from this project. This includes the majority of residents of Steinhatchee in Taylor County and Jena in Dixie County.

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

The expected benefit is an increase in operating pressure (particular during fires) and a reduction in unaccounted for water. Before and after pressure readings at key fire hydrants along with before and after unaccounted for water can be calculated.

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 penalty for failing to meet deliverables could be withdrawal of funding.

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) Governmental Utility Authority

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name



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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)
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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?

Plans are completed. Ready to go out for bid

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

July 1, 2025