



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1859

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Okaloosa County is seeking funding to perform the design & construction for a packaged treatment plant that will be installed in the vicinity of the I-10 interchange at Holt to serve economic development projects at this undeveloped interchange. This alternative technology for the treatment of wastewater is most suitable for the current need given the lower cost, quicker installation and suitability for small, undeveloped communities looking to promote business and job opportunities.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

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

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)	3,000,000	97%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	3%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	3,100,000	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



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

Okaloosa County BCC has expended approximately \$37 million in federal assistance for a variety of costs as a result of COVID. Okaloosa County is also receiving \$40 million in ARPA funding for a variety of projects.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

1/1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2024

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	Funds will be used to design and construct a package treatment plant and effluent disposal facilities that can provide 110,000 gallons per day capacity to serve the areas around the I-1- interchange at Holt in Okaloosa County.	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Perform the design and construction for a packaged treatment plant that will be installed in the vicinity of the I-10 interchange at Holt to serve economic development projects at this undeveloped interchange. The alternative technology for the treatment of waste water is most suitable for the current need given the lower cost, quicker installation and suitability for small, undeveloped communities looking to promote business and job opportunities.

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

A wastewater treatment plant providing 110,000 GPD capacity would allow the development of property adjacent to the I-10 interchange and around the Holt Area. Job creation potential is 200 new jobs to the area of committed projects and the potential for additional jobs, affordable housing and other economic growth. This would build upon the existing interchange infrastructure.

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

Treatment of waste water via a package plant is a preferred way to start to achieve waste water treatment results in a small community in an economical manner. There are also environmental benefits compared to on-site sewage treatment and disposal systems. Long-term this would be the beginnings of a regional large waste water facility east of Crestview and the Yellow River.

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

The package treatment plant will result in economic development and new jobs for this area. Target population is over 800.

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

Improve waste water management, improve physical health, enhance/preserve/improve environment. Protect the general public from harm, increase economic activity, improve groundwater, and drinking water. Methodology of measurement: plant construction completes; FDEP operational permit received.

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?

Standard contract penalties and/or revocation of grant funds to be considered for failing to meet deliverables or performance standards.

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)

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?



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22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?