



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2734

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Natural gas main extension to run adjacent to Highway 20 from Bluewater Bay/Seminole to Freeport. The gas main will be installed to provide service to under served communities along the Highway 20 corridor between Niceville and Freeport while providing Energy Resiliency for the Navy EOD Compound and Site C6, both facilities that Eglin Air Force Base provides oversight for.

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	4,171,780
Total State Funds Requested	4,171,780

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)	4,171,780	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	4,171,780	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.

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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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?

2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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.

Okaloosa Gas District will be the owner. The beneficiaries will be businesses, residents and military installations along SR20 from Niceville to Freeport FL to include Blue Water Bay, USN EOD School, Choctaw Beach, Portland, USAF Site C-6, and Hammock Bay and Freeport.

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	Engineering, Planning and Construction of natural gas main line.	4,171,780
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		4,171,780

14. Program Performance

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

The dual purpose or goal will be achieved:

- 1) Provide Natural Gas to the communities (homeowners, businesses and emergency responders that are located between Bluewater Bay/Seminole to Freeport along Highway 20 in Northwest Florida.
- 2) Provide Energy Resiliency to the Navy EOD Compound and Site c6 -- both of which fall under the command of Eglin Air Force Base

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



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Engineering, Design and Installation of Natural Gas Pipeline to the described area adjacent to Highway 20.

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

Availability of Natural Gas Service to all home owners that will provide them a less expensive and more reliable energy option than electricity.

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

All homeowners, business owners and emergency responders to include the Navy EOD Compound and Site C6. This will include the current populated areas and future growth of the market area.

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

Expected Benefit to the project allows for the opportunity to serve natural gas to a rural area of the Northwest Florida Community while provided much needed Energy Resiliency to two important areas of the Eglin Air Force Base Mission, Site C6 and the Navy EOD Compound. Outcomes will be measured by gas flow and consumption that falls in this portion of the District's system and in the event of need the impact on the two military facilities if the time arises that it be measured.

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?

In the event of non performance as outlined by the Funding Initiative Request, all penalties that are outlined would be expected to be enforced.

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) Special District to the State

d. First Name Last Name
e. E-mail Address



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number