



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. Title of Project: City of Okeechobee Taylor Creek SW 4th Street Stormwater Conveyance Water Quality Outfall Improvements

2. Senate Sponsor: Denise Grimsley

3. Date of Submission: 11/09/2017

4. Project/Program Description:

The City seeks matching funds to construct a water quality and baffle box drainage outfall on SW 4th Avenue to replace a direct drainage connection to Taylor Creek that is directly upstream of Lake Okeechobee. This connection does not currently have any water quality treatment and is not environmentally friendly. The area which drains to this is all urban and includes parts of the City's downtown. The construction of this outfall would allow for water treatment of drainage and surface water and includes the safety and protection of wildlife (i.e. manatees). The project includes updating drainage along a residential roadway, inlets, curbing, roadway and piping. Increasing water quality in this area will be a direct improvement over the existing conditions and would achieve observable results. Hurricane Irma created additional erosion and more turbidity.

5. State Agency Contacted? Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Environmental Protection

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
	221,769	221,769

7. Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	33,100	13.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	33,100	13.0 %

8. Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds): 254,869

9. Previous Year Funding Details:



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- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
	Column:	A	B
Funds Description:		Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

Goal is to reduce flooding, pollutants & debris entering State protected waters, protection of the environment, wildlife, life, health and safety of residents, visitors and businesses and address water quality and requirements of the permitting agencies.

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

Contractual construction services to construct the outfall project as designed that includes upgrading drainage along residential roadway, inlets, curbing, roadway, piping, baffle box, manatee grate, etc.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Contractual Construction Services	221,796
TOTAL		221,796

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Services include improved life, health, safety by reduction of flooding, improved water quality, treatment of drainage and surface water, protection of the environment, wildlife and State waters.

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

Residents, visitors and businesses

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

Benefit is reduction of flooding and pollution entering State' endangered water resources, provides life, health, safety issues and protection Florida wildlife and their habitats, safe transportation; meets permitting agencies water quality regulations.

g. 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 in the contract?

Non payment of invoices

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

City of Okeechobee are the owners of the facility and the entity.

13. Requestor Contact Information:

- Name:** Marcos Montes De Oca
- Organization:** City of Okeechobee
- Email:** mmontesdeoca@cityofokeechobee.com
- Phone Number:** (863)763-3372



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14. Recipient Contact Information:

a. **Organization:** City of Okeechobee

b. **County:** Okeechobee

c. **Organization Type:**

- ☐ For Profit
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- ☒ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (Please specify)

d. **Contact Name:** Marcos Montes De Oca

e. **E-mail Address:** mmontesdeoca@cityofokeechobee.com

f. **Phone Number:** (863)763-3372

15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

a. **Name:** Connie Vanassche

b. **Firm:** CAS Governmental Services, LLC

c. **Email:** casgovserv@gmail.com

d. **Phone Number:** (561)512-0089

16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- ☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☐ Other (Please describe)
- ☒ N/A

17. 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

18. What is the status of construction?



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Not Ready

19. What percentage of construction has been completed?

0%

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2019