



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Summer Haven River Restoration Project

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Travis Hutson

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/01/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The funds will be used to complete the final phase of construction of the Summer Haven River Restoration Project which experienced significant construction setbacks, including a breach in the middle of construction and other unanticipated costs due to Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Irma. Without the disruption of the hurricanes, the restoration of the river would have been complete. The Summer Haven River's salt marsh, oyster, and estuarine resources have historically provided recreational and commercial benefits to generations of area residents and tourists. The river provided a high quality natural environment supporting oyster leases and a variety of aquatic wildlife, boating, fishing, swimming opportunities, and access to Matanzas Inlet. The sand-choked river has lost these resources. Salt marsh and oyster beds have been buried. The lack of tidal circulation has resulted in stagnant conditions in some of the remaining aquatic habitat. The re-establishment of river depth and circul

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
	691,000	691,000

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	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	0	0.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 691,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**



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- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes  
b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 1  
c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2015-16  
d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No  
e. 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?

Complete and final restoration of the Summer Haven River which has been impacted by Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Irma.

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

The funds will be paid to the construction contractor to complete project construction (restoration of the river) and to the District's Engineer for construction administration services.

#### 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		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		



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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	Final restoration of Summer Haven River	691,000
TOTAL		691,000

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

The project will restore water quality, return improved water access, fishing, oystering and enhance recreational opportunities.

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

Florida residents and tourists to St. Johns County.

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

The project will restore water quality, return water access, and enhance recreational opportunities.

**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?**

Withhold funding disbursements if the river isn't timely restored.

**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.**

The Summer Haven river is in Florida state waters. The District is a special State taxing district with a mission to promote and facilitate development of commercial and recreational marine activity within its area of authority.

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Elyse Kemper
- b. **Organization:** St. Augustine Port, Waterway & Beach District
- c. **Email:** eyse@bellsouth.net
- d. **Phone Number:** (904)797-6660

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

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**b. County:** Saint Johns

**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:** Elyse Kemper

**e. E-mail Address:** eyse@bellsouth.net

**f. Phone Number:** (904)797-6660

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

**a. Name:** Mark Pinto

**b. Firm:** The Fiorentino Group

**c. Email:** mpinto@thefiorentinogroup.com

**d. Phone Number:** (941)773-9638

**16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?**

☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan

☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan

☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant

☒ Other (Please describe): Funding was requested but not granted through the FDEP Beach Management Funding Assistance Programli

☐ 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?**

Construction commenced during fall 2016 and is currently ongoing.



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**19. What percentage of construction has been completed?**

Construction is 85% complete.

**20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

The estimated completion date, if State funding is granted, is 8/31/18.