



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1595

1. Title of Project: Vernon WWTP Upgrade

2. Senate Sponsor: George Gainer

3. Date of Submission: 02/07/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

The City of Vernon Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is in need of upgrading their facility to meet regulatory requirements. The WWTP was once able to receive septic sewer from local septic companies. But now, without upgrading the facilities, Vernon has to deny these companies access to the WWTP. Also, more recently, DEP issued a Warning Letter to the City citing that several of the treatment units such as influent pump station, clarifiers, and filters has some components that were inoperable. This requires immediate action on the part of the City of Vernon.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	586,000
Total State Funds Requested	586,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	586,000	100.0%
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	586,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Engineering Design, Permitting, Construction, Inspections and Start-up.	586,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		586,000

11. Program Performance:

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

To allow local septic contractors to be able to drain their tanks at the local WWTP. Eliminate violations outlined in FDEP Waring Letter.

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

Upgrade the WWTP and associated equipment.

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

Elimination of under processed wastewater being released from the WWTP.

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

The citizen's of Vernon is the target population. Approximately 750 individuals will be impacted.

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

Operate the WWTP to provide clean quality effluent that meets the requirements of FDEP. This will be determined by monthly monitoring reports.

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 in the contract?

N/A

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 City of Vernon will be the entity to receive the funding and will be the entity to own and operate the wastewater facilities.



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13. Requestor Contact Information:

- a. **Name:** Tina Sloan
- b. **Organization:** City of Vernon
- c. **E-mail Address:** clerk@vernonfi.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (850)535-2011

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** City of Vernon
- b. **County:** Washington
- 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:** Tina Sloan
- e. **E-mail Address:** clerk@vernonfi.com
- f. **Phone Number:** (850)535-2011

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None
- c. **E-mail Address:**
- d. **Phone Number:**

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only

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



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Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288-0656, Florida Statutes)

N/A

18. What is the status of construction? Needing financial assistance

19. What percentage of construction has been completed? 0

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 12/01/2019