



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1824

1. **Title of Project:** Alachua County ECO-Indust. Park: Resrch & Bus. Incubation Center

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Keith Perry

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/28/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Funding is requested to develop the construction documents and core buildings at Alachua County's Eco-Industrial Park. The University of Florida is partnering with Alachua County in establishing a ECO Industrial Park Research and Business Incubation Center of Excellence. This structure will be the first, vertical intervention at an industrial park dedicated to manufacturing and processing materials from the waste stream, developing related intellectual property and incubating related businesses.

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

State Agency Contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,500,000

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)	3,500,000	44.59%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	4,200,000	53.50%
Other	150,000	1.91%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	7,850,000	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:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and		



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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	Architectural Design, Engineering, Construction Document Creation and Construction	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,500,000

11. Program Performance:

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

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

University of Florida engineering, material science and waste diversion research with related intellectual property and business development/incubation. The structure will be used to collaborate with private sector industries in the development of new processes and materials that result in the diversion of materials from landfills and Florida-based manufacturing jobs.

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

Direct services will result from the businesses developing the surrounding park parcels using recycled and waste materials as part of manufacturing processes.

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

East Gainesville residents and workforce populations for the spin-off industries attracted by the UF research at the HUB. At build out of all available Eco-Industrial Park parcels, UF estimates direct manufacturing related employment of between 281-471 jobs, with up 3,300 direct, indirect and induced jobs

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

Please see the UF IFAS Economic Impact Analysis of the Eco-Industrial Park. At Park build-out of the 37 acres, UF estimates direct manufacturing related employment of between 281-471 jobs, with up 3,300 direct, indirect and induced jobs, producing \$177M to \$320M in economic impact annually. Outcomes will be measured by per year industry sponsored research and related parcel build-out by waste-based businesses.



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- 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?**

Standard construction management and capital improvement penalties.

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.**

Alachua County holds title to the underlying property and will own the Center of Excellence structure.

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- b. **County:** Alachua
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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