



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1162

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

This grant request would apply funds to one year of a multi-year program which will ultimately consist of converting 2,057 septic systems to sewer in the Wekiwa Springshed. Once constructed, the completed program is estimated to reduce the amount of nutrients introduced into the groundwater in the Wekiwa Springshed by 20,293 pounds of nitrogen per year through the diversion of wastewater to a central sewer system. Funds provided under this request would be used for design and construction of sewer mains, lift stations, and other infrastructure needed to bring sewer service to the area. This project is consistent with the requirements of the Wekiwa Spring and Rock Springs Basin Management which aims to reduce nitrogen at the spring vents by 209,428 pounds per year. Orange County is a stakeholder in this project, and numerous state and county departments are involved in projects which would make progress towards this goal.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	6%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	5,273,500	59%
Local	3,165,500	35%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	8,939,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	500,000	1635A	No

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.**



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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

No

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Federal CARES Act: Total \$243.2M
Small Business Financial Assistance - \$72.9M
Social Services and Community Needs - \$95.4M
Orange County Public Safety and Health Expenditures - \$56.4M
Municipality and Constitutional Officer Expenditures - \$14.5M
Orange County COVID-19 Eviction Diversion Program - \$4.0M

11. 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	The total project cost involves construction, design engineering and other professional services, land acquisition, and capital charges. The 21-22 FY cost requested in this form is for that portion of the project which occurs during the 21-22 FY and which is not expected to be funded by Orange County, the SJRWMD, the FDEP, or others.	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance

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

The design and construction of the Wekiwa Springs Septic Sewer Retrofit Project Phase 2 will include a new sanitary sewer collection system that will replace existing on-site septic tank systems within the Wekiwa Springs area. The new facilities will ultimately serve 154 properties within this phase.

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

Design and construction of a new sanitary sewer collection system, replacement of 154 septic systems.

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

Design and construction of a new sanitary sewer collection system that will serve 154 properties into the future, removal/abandonment of septic systems on those properties.

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



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At current household sizes, the 154 properties being sewered would have a population of around 400 persons. However, the regional population will indirectly benefit from improved water quality at Wekiwa Springs through protection of tourism and business value that the springs draw to the area and improved quality of life.

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

Once constructed, the completed project is estimated to reduce the amount of nutrients introduced into the groundwater in the Wekiwa Springshed by 1,519 pounds of nitrogen per year. Improving the condition of the Spring should also tourism value.

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?

Failure to achieve 67% commitment by community to support MSBU by December 2021 may result in withdrawal of funding.

13. 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.

Orange County Board of County Commissioners is the owner of the facility to be constructed, and are the same as the entity receiving funds for design and construction.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name
b. Organization
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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)

d. First Name Last Name
e. E-mail Address
f. Phone Number

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number



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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

17. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- ☐ Waste Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☒ Other (please specify) SJRWMD Cost-Share; FDEP Grants
- ☐ N/A

18. 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

19. What is the status of construction?

Not started

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

3/31/2024