



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1338

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project includes the design and permitting for the expansion of the Port LaBelle Water Treatment Plant from 0.9 million gallons per day (MGD) to 1.8 MGD. This will include the expansion of the raw water supply (wellfield) and the addition of new treatment components and related ancillary items. This project is in the Caloosahatchee BMAP area.

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	600,000
Total State Funds Requested	600,000

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)	600,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	600,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

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.

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

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



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\$7,332,515.00 Federal Cares Act Public Health and Safety Employees- EMS, Fire, Sheriff
\$106,156.30 FHFC - Florida Housing Coalition- foreclosure and eviction prevention

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	Design and permitting	600,000
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		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		600,000

12. Program Performance

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

The goal is to expand the Port LaBelle Utility System Water Treatment Plant from 0.9 million gallons per day (MGD) to 1.8 MGD. This will include the expansion of the raw water supply (wellfield); the addition of new treatment components and related ancillary items.

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

The funds will be used to perform design work associated with the expansion.

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

Potable water supply.

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

The target population is the 950 current users of the Port LaBelle Utility System. With the 0.9 mg plant expansion, an additional 15,000 people will be served.

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

The benefit is the ability to provide clean drinking water to the customers of the Port LaBelle Utility System which meets the primary and secondary water quality requirements established by the Environmental Protection Agency. Sampling and testing to verify water quality is met is the methodology for measurement.

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?



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If the water treatment plant expansion does not occur, then Hendry County would not be able to provide drinking water to its customers, thereby potentially resulting in building moratorium, consent orders and financial penalties from the South Florida Water Management District as well as the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

- 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.**

The owners are the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, which is also the entity.



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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)
- ☒ 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?

Construction has not been initiated.
Design and permitting are required first.

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2023