



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1682

1. Project Title C-21 Bridge/Lake Okeechobee Access - City of Clewiston

2. Senate Sponsor Kathleen Passidomo

3. Date of Request 02/05/2021

#### 4. Project/Program Description

This project will replace a connection to the Lake Okeechobee recreational area on and inside the Herbert Hoover Dike. The bridge access is the only access point in Hendry County to this important area. The bridge will be lost when the South Florida Water Management Districts removes and relocates the S-169 Structure as part of ongoing repairs and upgrades to the canal system and Herbert Hoover Dike. The new bridge will meet all upgraded FDOT and Army Corps of Engineers safety standards and will be the only access point for law enforcement, emergency vehicles, citizen's vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrian traffic in all of Hendry County. The construction and maintenance of this bridge is the responsibility of the City of Clewiston.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Transportation

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,652,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>3,652,000</b>

#### 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)	3,652,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>3,652,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2019-20	0	2,000,000	1989A	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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?



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1682

Yes

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

Hendry County shared a portion of their CARES Act allocation in the amount of \$890,000 to reimburse the city for CARES Act eligible public safety expenditures.

#### 11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The C-21 Bridge Canal Crossing Project in the City of Clewiston is critical for multiple reasons. Project maintains the only access to Lake Okeechobee in Hendry County for emergency vehicles and law enforcement. It provides the only access to the lake's recreation area, which otherwise could be lost due to on going repairs to the Herbert Hoover Dike and during periods of flood control measures when the lake gates/locks are closed.	3,652,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>3,652,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The purpose is to replace and maintain a bridge structure which is the only access point to the Herbert Hoover Dike in Hendry County. The project will maintain and increase the economic stability of the city and county by providing access to multiple recreational opportunities along with providing access for law enforcement, emergency vehicles, and maintenance access for the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and the Army Corps of Engineers.

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

Project provides the only transportation access in Hendry County to Lake Okeechobee's recreation area. Project will modernize the existing roadway to this area to meet all modern Florida DOT safety standards and significantly increase boating, pedestrian, bike, walking, and running access to Lake Okeechobee; offering both physical and mental health benefits for Floridians in the region. Agriculture and recreational fishing tourism are the two main economic forces in Hendry County. The recreational fishing tourism industry has been growing through locally held international fishing tournaments. The bridge project significantly increases boating, pedestrian, bike, walking, and running access to Lake Okeechobee. The bridge is the only access to the lake's recreational areas in Hendry County.

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

No direct services; however, as stated above the project significantly increases boating, pedestrian, bike, walking, and running access to Lake Okeechobee; offering both physical and mental health benefits for Floridians in the region.

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



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1682

All Floridians who visit the area. Those directly impacted would be citizens of Hendry, Glades, Palm Beach, Broward, DeSoto, Collier, Charlotte, and Lee Counties.

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

DOT standard language goals, measures, and benchmarks.

**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?**

Penalties and performance measures enumerated in DOT's standard contract language

**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 bridge and its approaches will be owned by the city and placed on lands owned by the state. The city uses the property under a lease from the state and administered by the SFWMD.



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1682

#### 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