



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1992

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Walton County wishes to create a master planned public facility that will function as regional stormwater management facility and event venue with passive recreation opportunities, wetland preservation/enhancement, transportation improvements, and natural disaster debris management.  
This project will occur on 220 acres acquired with a \$1 million appropriation in FY 2020-2021 along with \$2 million local preservation dollars and \$6.9 million in tourist development tax dollars.

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               | 1,200,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>1,200,000</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)       | 1,200,000        | 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>1,200,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

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

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | Nonrecurring |                             |        |
| 2020-21                  | 0         | 1,000,000    | 1958A                       | 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.**

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



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

Walton County received an allocation of federal Coronavirus Relief Funds in the amount of \$12,924,820. This is being spent on COVID-19 expenditures allowed by both the state and federal guidelines.

#### 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                      | Master planning, design, and permitting of the regional stormwater management facility and event venue. A design team will be selected through an RFQ process. | 1,200,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |  | <b>1,200,000</b> |

#### 12. Program Performance

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

Water quality improvements to Choctawhatchee Bay, transportation network enhancement, flood control, wetland preservation/enhancement, increase tourism, and positive economic impact.

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

Master planning, design, survey, and permitting for a regional stormwater management facility and transportation corridor from US 98 and Chat Holley Road.

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

Water quality improvements to Choctawhatchee Bay, transportation network enhancement, flood control, wetland preservation/enhancement, increase tourism, and positive economic impact.

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

All citizens and visitors of Walton County.

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

Completion of the project through construction will provide water quality improvements to Choctawhatchee Bay, transportation network enhancement, flood control, wetland preservation/enhancement, increase tourism, and positive economic impact.  
Outcomes will be measured through continued water quality monitoring, traffic counts, and tourism data.

##### f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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**for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?**

If Walton County fails to meet the deliverables of this appropriation all funds will be returned to the state.

- 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.**

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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