



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1722

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project consists of the connection of existing residential dwelling unit septic systems located in the Chassahowitzka/Homosassa springshed to Citrus County's central wastewater collection system. The construction will include installation of a new sanitary sewer collection system to the resident's lot lines and any associated components which may include lift station(s) and grinder pump stations. The County's requirements will then result in the connection of up to 135 residents and a total of 327 lots.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,076,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,076,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,076,000	18%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	6,000,000	50%
Local	1,962,000	16%
Other	1,962,000	16%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>12,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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?



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

Citrus County received \$28 million of ARPA funding to assist with water and sewer infrastructure projects. The projects identified under the County ARPA program are eligible projects include building or upgrading facilities and transmission, distribution, and storage systems, and supporting the consolidation or establishment of drinking water systems.

**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 project consists of the connection of existing residential dwelling unit septic systems located in the Chassahowitzka/Homosassa springshed to Citrus County's central wastewater collection system. The construction will include installation of a new sanitary sewer collection system to the resident's lot lines and any associated components which many include lift station(s) and grinder pump stations. The County's requirements will then result in the connection of up to 135 residents/327 lots.	2,076,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,076,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

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

The permitting, design and construction of a central wastewater collection system made available to the residents in the project area.

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

Residential homes currently on OSTDS will be provided with the availability to connect to the County's central wastewater collection system.

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



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The resource benefit of the water quality project will allow for the reduction of pollutant loads to the Homosassa River and springshed, a SWIM priority water body by an estimated 3,365 lbs/yr TN for all the residential lots located within the project limits. This project will compel the connection of up to 327 lots with up to 150 connections that are along the Homosassa River, a first magnitude spring. The County has a mandatory connection ordinance in place (Citrus County Code of Ordinances, Part II, Chapter 42

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

The project benefit will be the reduction of pollutant loads to the Homosassa/Chassahowitzka Springs Groups by an estimated amount of 3,365 lbs/yr TN.

The number of residential connections to the County's wastewater collection system will be used as the methodology used to measure the benefit of the project. These homes will then be subject to the County's mandatory connection ordinance.

**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?**

Withholding reimbursement payments from the grantee until all measurables are met per the contract is a major financial burden that any municipality or other entity can afford to bear. This method or penalty ensures that all performance measures and deliverables are met during and after the project.

**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.**

Citrus County, Florida and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection are currently working together on Springs Initiative goal specific projects that are either in the design phase or the construction phase. These projects are concurrent with the goals set forth in the Chassahowitzka/Homosassa BMAP of reducing nutrient loading to the groundwater and surface waters associated with the first magnitude springs.



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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?**

Not started

**20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?**

0%

**21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

06/30/2027