



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1255

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

4. Project/Program Description

Due to congestion on U.S. Hwy 98 and increasing development in the north Lakeland/Kathleen area, Polk County needs a parallel roadway to U.S. Hwy 98 to move traffic north and south. This is needed to reduce congestion on U.S. Hwy 27 caused by increasing development east and west of U.S. Hwy 27. The need for another alternative roadway to move north and south parallel to Hwy 27 is needed. This will reduce congestion on an already failing roadway. The State would receive a substantial benefit from the widening and extension of this roadway west of the existing highway. Polk County is already planning to make investments in road improvement on Powerline Road north of this proposed extension in conjunction with development along this corridor.

The proposed new alignment for the extension of Powerline Road is south from Hinson Avenue in Haines City to Scenic Highway 17 in Dundee. This is anticipated to be a three-lane road with future expansion to five lanes.

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

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	5,000,000	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 2023-2024	5,000,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

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

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** Yes
- 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?

Yes

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

Total Spend--\$319,840,915. Funds received were used to cover costs associated with PPE, COVID related services within the county as well as relief for hospitals. In addition, funds provided assistance for County Government infrastructure improvements as well as assistance to small businesses, individuals, Local Government/Elected Officials.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

Planning Design Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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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13. 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	PD&E Study	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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A PD&E study to determine the alignment and cost of this project.

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

Hiring a Consultant to conduct a PD&E study.

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

Ultimately an alternative roadway for moving north and south on the northwest side of Polk County.

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

The Polk County residents on the northwest side of the County and the City of Lakeland..

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

Alternative traffic route to Hwy 98. Less delays in travel times and less traffic congestion. Measuring Traffic Volumes on the surrounding roadways and traffic backups at intersections.

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?

The cost of additional improvements in the area to alleviate traffic congestion.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. 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) Local Government

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number