



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1509

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

The project would: 1) protect the water quality of Gemini Springs by eliminating existing septic system in the PFA. 2) increase the alternative water supply benefiting Volusia Blue Spring. These protections are a fulfillment of a 2016 Aquifer Springs Protection Act. Funds will assist in developing a Retrofit Master Plan associated with converting approximately 2000 septic systems to a centralized sewer collection system.

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	1,400,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,400,000

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)	1,400,000	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	1,400,000	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?** 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?**

Yes



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

Approximately \$200M was received through CARES and ARPA Acts. Mortgage and rent assistance and any uses of funds as determined by the Department of the Treasury.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

N/A

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12-31-2027

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	Funds will be used to develop a retrofit Master Plan associated with converting approximately 2000 septic systems to a centralized sewer collection system. Funds will be used for design associated with the conversion of approximately 800 septic systems to a centralized sewer system for treatment by Volusia County's advanced wastewater facility located in DeBary.	1,400,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,400,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Ultimately, the decommissioning of septic tanks in the Gemini Springs basin.

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

Septic-to-sewer replacement of septic tanks.

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

Conversion of septic tanks to a wastewater treatment facility from the proposed retrofit area.

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

Residents and/or businesses located within the designated areas within the 2016 Aquifer Springs Protection Act.

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

Cleaner water by eliminating septic tanks in proximity to Gemini Springs. The spring will be evaluated using TMDL/BMAP methodology to monitor the spring nutrient loading and long term project benefit installing new central services to reduce impact of existing septic systems.

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?

Volusia County receives state and federal grant assistance and is a good steward of funds and a long track record of meeting deliverables and performance measures within grants offered to the county.

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)

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

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. 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

19. 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

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?