



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1923

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

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will be used to extend wastewater lines to the I-10 interchange from the existing treatment plant in order to support economic development efforts of the Town of Grand Ridge. The lines will serve existing residents as well as business owners who are at risk of closing because of failing septic systems. The project will also support growth of new businesses at this vital interchange on the interstate and provide more resilient infrastructure that will benefit a major evacuation route along the I-10 and Highway 69 corridor.

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	1,665,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,665,000

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)	1,665,000	89%
Matching Funds		
Federal	199,900	11%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,864,900	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.

Received \$138,972.48 in CARES Act funding. CARES Act funding was spent on a partial drive through, fire dept. rapid response truck, electronic sign, new laptops and printers for employees, face shields, masks, hand sanitizer, large sprayer to sanitize park equipment, gloves, glass partition for front counter, portable sound system and acoustic panels, and AED devices. \$436,744.00 of ARPA funds were used to supplement funds used to complete Hurricane Michael recovery.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/31/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2025

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	The request will fund the design and construction of the public wastewater services extension in a rural area of economic opportunity.	1,665,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,665,000

14. 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 funds will be used to design and construct an expansion of the town's public wastewater system to include extension to the I-10 corridor and added service area capability. Those opting to connect to the wastewater system will discontinue use of their septic tanks, which is a hazard to the environment.

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

This is an infrastructure project; however, all residents in the town of Grand Ridge and travelers utilizing the I-10 corridor, which is a major evacuation route, will benefit from the town's expanded wastewater services capability.

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

All residents in Grand Ridge and travelers using the I-10 Corridor, a major evacuation route, will benefit from the town's expanded wastewater services capability. Greater than 800 individuals will be served.

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

The funds will be used to extend wastewater lines to the I-10 interchange in order to support economic development efforts of the town of Grand Ridge. The lines will serve existing residents/business owners who are at risk of closing because of failing septic systems and support growth of new businesses at this vital interchange on the interstate. This project will result in a direct and significant improvement to the Town of Grand Ridge's wastewater management system. Toxins and other contaminants in stormwater runoff as well as surface water will be reduced, and improved water quality affects all aspects of life for individuals and communities.

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 will be outlined in contract between requester and State Agency.

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



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University or College

Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

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) Applied for two DEO Resilient Florida grants, RIF, spoke with SRF but no funding available

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?



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