

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2645

1. Project Title Freeport Bay Area Septic to Sewer Improvement Project Phase II

2. Senate Sponsor Jay Trumbull

3. Date of Request 03/06/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The project will help reduce sediments and nutrients as well as coliform loading from failed septic tanks into the Choctawhatchee River and Bay Watershed. This will be achieved by providing sewer to a residential area with over 250 parcels including over 125 existing septic tanks. These funds will also provide for a connection to a master pump station on US 331.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	4,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	4,500,000

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)	4,500,000	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	4,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
				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?

No

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



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NA

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

OPlanning ODesign OConstruction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	No

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.

NA

NA

NA

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	Fund will be used towards design, permitting and construction.	4,500,000	
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) 4,500,000			

14. Program Performance

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

Help reduce sediments and nutrients as well as coliform loading from failed septic tanks in the Choctawhatchee River and Bay Watershed.

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

This will be achieved by providing sewer to a residential area with over 250 parcels including over 125 existing septic tanks. These funds will also provide for a connection to a master pump station on US 331.

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



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This project will help reduce the potentia for contamination of the area's groundwater and water resources thereby improving both public health as well as the environment. This will include a reduction of wastewater pollutants going into the Choctawhatchee Bay watershed.

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

There will be over 800 residents and businesses anticipated to be served by these improvements.

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

A reduction of wastewater pollutants going into the Choctawhatchee Bay watershed will serve to protect diverse habitats, including sheephead steams, coastal dunes, tidal marshes, Floridian aquifer springs, seagrass beds and oyster reefs. This will be observed by a dramatic improvement in natural habitat conditions.

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 funding agency can elect to not fund future phases of the City's plan.

15. Requester Contact Information

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	b. Municipality and County Walton			
	c. Organization Type			
	□For Profit Entity			
	□Non Profit 501(c)(3)			
	□Non Profit 501(c)(4)			
	☑Local Entity			
	□University or College			
	□Other (please specify)			
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b. Firm Name	Liberty Partners of Tallahassee LLC	
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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?

Not ready.

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2025