



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1329

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

4. Project/Program Description

The project will reduce the nutrient flux and wind/wave induced suspension of soft muck sediments to improve the health, productivity, aesthetics, and economic value of the lagoon by implementing sand capping. By reducing the nutrient loading to the Banana River Lagoon and support the City and County's restoration goals.

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

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	12,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	12,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	12,000,000	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 2025-2026	12,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?
- If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. Is future-year 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.
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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction



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a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

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

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

6/1/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2028

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

City Budget Commission Approved Funds

11. 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.

City of Cocoa Beach

12. 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		
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	Project consists of sand capping construction and construction of oversight costs. The sand capping is the most cost effective approach for this site. The site is located at adjacent to the Cocoa Beach Country Club and South of Cocoa Beach Jr/Sr High School.	12,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		12,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The project will reduce the nutrient flux and wind/wave induced suspension of soft muck sediments to improve the health, productivity, aesthetics, and economic value of the lagoon by implementing sand capping. By reducing the nutrient loading to the Banana River Lagoon and support the City and County's restoration goals.

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

Stormwater runoff from urban and agricultural areas, wastewater treatment facility discharges, septic systems, and excess fertilizer applications have led to harmful levels of nutrients and sediments entering the lagoon. These pollutants have led to accumulation of fine-grained organic rich sediment with a high-water content, referred to as muck. This project will improve the water quality.



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

The project will support the growth of improved habitats such as mangroves and other aquatic vegetation. Also, reductions in total nitrogen and total phosphorous.

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

All citizens of City of Cocoa Beach

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

Reduce the nutrient flux and wind/wave induced suspension of soft muck sediments to improve the health, productivity, aesthetics, and economic value of the Banana River Lagoon.

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 in the contract?

In addition to the penalties established by the FDEP, the City proposes penalty of performance bonding equal to the cost of construction. The City has a rigorous vetting procedure to select the most responsible contractors to perform the work, and has a reliable legal team to aggressively litigate any discrepancies that may occur in performance and deliverables.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received



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- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?

- Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- Resilient Florida Grant Program
- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization



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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

23. 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) Government

d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number Ext.

24. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.