

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2018

1. Project Title	North Florida Water Utilities Authority Ellisville Water System Improvement Project

2. Senate Sponsor Jennifer Bradley

3. Date of Request 2/25/2025

4. Project/Program Description

This proposed project will consist of approximately 2000 LF of 12" water main, 1500 LF of 12" gravity main, 6500 LF of 6" force main, and modifications of an existing lift station to support current and future development at the US 41/I-75 interchange.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted?	No

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

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operating	0	
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,900,000	
Total State Funds Requested	1,900,000	

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)	1,900,000	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	1,900,000	100%	

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

Fiscal Year	Amo	ount	Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		

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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

No

No

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0. Status of Constru a. What is the curr		he project?			
b. Is the project "s	hovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	No]	
c. What is the esti	nated start da	te of construction?	12/01/2025]	
d. What is the esti	mated comple	tion date of construction?	05/01/2026]	
e. What funding st	ream will be u	sed for ongoing operations	and maintenance of	the project?	
Revenue generate	ed from rate pay	yers on the uitlity system.			

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.

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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/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The funds requested will include the design, engineering, and construction of approximately 2000 LF of 12" water main, 1500 LF of 12" gravity main, 6500 LF of 6" force main, and modifications of an existing lift station to support current and future development at the US 41/I-75 interchange.	1,900,000
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	1,900,000

13. Program Performance

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

This proposed project will consist of approximately 2000 LF of 12" water main, 1500 LF of 12" gravity main, 6500 LF of 6" force main, and modifications of an existing lift station to support current and future development at the US 41/I-75 interchange.

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



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

Better water and sewage infrastructure that will encourage development at the interchange of I-75/US 41.

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

Private and Commerical Traffic and the residents who live in the area of Ellisville.

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

More businesses, increased revenue for the county, better paying jobs, new residents, new jobs for existing residents, higher tax base.

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?

Remittance of funds back to the state.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?	No	
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a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

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

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, 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?

- U 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)
- D N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

Design

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name	Rocky	Last Name	Ford
b. Organization	North Florida Water Utilites Authority		

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I	b. Municipality and	Columbia			
C	c. Organization Ty	ре			
	□For Profit Entity				
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(3)			
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)			
	☑Local Entity				
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(c. E-mail Address				
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