



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2281

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Moccasin Wallow Road Segment 2 project is the widening of Moccasin Wallow Road from approximately 115th Ave E to Sawgrass Road. The project will widen ~1.6 miles from two-lanes to four-lanes as part of an overall set of roadway projects totaling 4.3 miles from I-75 to US 301. The improvements will alleviate traffic congestion, support anticipated growth, promote economic development, improve user safety, increase road capacity, and provide multi-modal connectivity. Request to revert an reappropriate fund from Manatee County - Moccasin Wallow Road Segment 5 (SF 1049) in Fiscal Year 2024-25 to Manatee County - Moccasin Wallow Road Segment 2.

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	6,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	6,000,000

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)	6,000,000	22%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	7,500,000	28%
Local	13,500,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	27,000,000	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		
2024-25	0	6,000,000	2069A	No

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

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

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

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/02/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

02/24/2026

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

Gas tax, impact fees, public-private partnerships.

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.

Manatee County Government.

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	Moccasin Wallow Road - Segment 2 construction phase activities related to the road widening and associated project improvements.	6,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		6,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The purpose of the requested funds is to provide financial support for the Moccasin Wallow Road–Segment 2 project’s construction phase. The project will widen the existing road from two-lanes to four-lanes for about 1.6 miles from 115th Ave E to Sawgrass Road. The improvements will alleviate traffic congestion, support anticipated growth, promote economic development, improve user safety, increase road capacity, and provide multi-modal connectivity.

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



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Activities include widening an existing 2-lane road to 4-lanes with enhanced safety & multimodal improvements to relieve congestion, enhance the quality of life, sustain economic development, while connecting local communities, educational facilities, and prominent employers like Port Manatee, which contributes \$2.3 billion annually in regional economic impact & supports more than 24,000 jobs.

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

Construction of the additional two lanes will relieve traffic congestion, provide multimodal connectivity, improve roadway safety for vehicles and pedestrians, improve access to evacuation routes, create job opportunities. The additional capacity added to this segment and the Moccasin Wallow Road corridor improves a major arterial thoroughfare between US 41 and US 301 that includes access to I-75.

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

The project will serve Northern Manatee County and the Tampa Bay Region. The project will serve all individuals who live and travel in and around the project area. The current average annual daily traffic (AADT) for this section of roadway is approximately 14,000 trips and is expected to increase due to continued growth in the area.

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

Expected outcome of the project includes, reduced congestion, improved safety, and enhanced multimodal mobility. Traffic Information Systems Section will monitor, study, and collect traffic and accident (vehicle and pedestrian) data and include in the Sarasota-Manatee Regional Traffic Management (RTMC) quarterly and annual reports.

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?

Funds for deliverables not met will be returned to the state.

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:



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

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

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

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

18. 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

f. Phone Number **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address



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d. Phone Number

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