



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2574

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

4. Project/Program Description

Design and construction of the new stormwater system that will divert Black Branch into a pond for detention and treatment. A wet detention facility with a bypass weir in the main drainage channel will be used to direct the water. After treatment, water would be discharged back into existing canal at a controlled rate. Ancillary improvements would include regrading the roadside, swales and ditches, upsizing of cross drain culverts, pond siting, pond construction and acquiring easements for access.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,300,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,300,000

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)	3,300,000	32%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	7,050,647	68%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	10,350,647	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

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?** No

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



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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)? No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 01/02/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 06/30/2027

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

Flagler County Public Works maintains all roadways, ditches and swales in the unincorporated area and the are of this project. The maintenance would be funded from the General Fund.

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/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	All costs related to design and construction of the new system along with ancillary improvements to include regrading of roadside, swales and ditches, upsizing of cross drain culverts, pond siting, pond construction, and acquiring contiguous easements to access existing drainage facilities for maintenance. The \$7,050,647m reported was an FDOT grant for Phase I - Old Haw Creek Road.	3,300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,300,000

13. Program Performance

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

Design and construction of the new storm system that will divert Black Branch into a pond for detention and treatment. A wet detention facility with a bypass weir in the main drainage channel will be used to direct the water. After treatment, water would be discharged back into existing canal at a controlled rate. Ancillary improvements would include regrading the roadside, swales and ditches, upsizing of cross drain culverts, pond siting, pond construction and acquiring easements for access.



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

Design and construction of the new system that will divert water away from Black Branch North. A wet detention facility with a bypass weir to redirect the water. Improvements include re-grading of roadside swales and ditches, upsizing of cross drain culverts, pond siting and property acquisition, and acquiring easements to access drainage facilities for maintenance.

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

The proposed drainage improvements is required increase flood storage capacity in the canals thereby reducing flooding to Old Haw Creek Road and surrounding structures. This project will also benefit the site for the future home of the Florida State Guard Training Facility to be built on land directly adjacent to Old Haw Creek Rd. and the Black Branch Canal.

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

The majority of funds will benefit no specific group within the county but the total population for Flagler County is more than 130k. Improving the drainage system will also alleviate flooding to benefit local businesses, farm to market transportation and the soon to be built State Florida Guard Training Facility.

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

This project will alleviate flooding and improve stormwater runoff and associated nonpoint source pollution; It will reduce impacts to local waterways and improve water quality; It will Improve the roadside drainage condition by stabilizing stormwater infrastructure to make it more resilient and resistant to erosion; and will mitigate the impacts of groundwater quality from nitrogen and phosphorus inputs, sediment and other pollutant loadings. Methods of measurement include: periodic sampling and analytical testing; monitoring of public resources spent pre and post condition on operations and maintenance activities and occurrences of road closures; The need to repair impacted structures in any given Fiscal Year as a result of flooding. Finally, the Florida State Guard will indicate no issues as a result of the mitigation project

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?

No future funding for this project would be permitted and any unspent funds deobligated.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

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



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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
- 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?



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Planning

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2027

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

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)

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.