



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2603

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

In the initial phase of this wastewater facility project, there is meticulous planning and design needed to establish a modern, efficient, and environmentally-friendly treatment plant. This initial phase involves comprehensive site evaluations, detailed engineering studies, and the development of advanced technological solutions aimed at optimizing the treatment processes. The primary goal is to ensure the facility can effectively manage and treat wastewater while minimizing environmental impact. Throughout this phase, careful consideration is given to sustainability, community impact, and future scalability, laying a strong foundation for subsequent phases of the project. The design focuses on incorporating innovative methods and equipment that will enhance operational efficiency and ensure reliable service for the community it will serve.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

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)	5,000,000	56%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	4,000,000	44%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	9,000,000	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? Yes

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

06/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2029

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

General funding

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.

Bay County will own and operate the facility.

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	This project will design, engineer, and provide model analysis on the flows/capacity for this new water management site. Providing much needed capacity for the areas wastewater system.	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The funds for this project will provide the county to properly plan and run needed to tests to ensure this project can commence in a timely matter during next FY. The end goal of this project will be to provide the county with a servicable wastewater treatment facility to enable the continued economic and population growth, and provides an environmental value because the sewer plant will prevent septic tanks from being used especially sp close to West Bay and its tributaries, which is an OFW.



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

Design, engineering, modeling.

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

An increased ability to provide adequate services to the citizens of the county by allowing for the additional improvements to the counties water management.

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

The target population are the citizens of Bay County.

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

These funds provide the County with the financial support necessary to conduct the required planning and design work necessary to receive the applicable permitting to move forward to construct this wastewater facility that will provide capacity for 1.5M gallons of wastewater. This facility provides significant wastewater treatment capacity for a growing area of the County and prevents the proliferation of septic facilities that could endanger West Bay environment.

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?

Failure to adequately fulfill deliverables as contractually agreed can lead to non-payment and/or contract termination.

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)?



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- 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?

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

22. Requester Contact Information



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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.