



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2613

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

The North Terminal Expansion Program is a result of the expanded growth of the Airport since opening in 2010. In 2009, the final year of the the old airport in Panama City (PFN) there were approximately 312500 total passengers in 2024 at ECP the new Airport, there were nearly 1.9 million total passengers. This growth has place a great demand on the existing Terminal and infrastructure, resulting in the need for additional space to address the demand.

The TEP consists of an approximately 73,000 square foot expansion of the existing Terminal Building to the north of the existing baggage claim area by approximately 315 feet. The North TEP includes relocating the TSA SSCA to the current baggage claim area of the existing terminal building connecting to a new secure vertical circulation area. The existing baggage carousels will be replaced and 3 additional passenger boarding bridges installed.

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	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	13%
Matching Funds		
Federal	10,000,000	24%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	26,000,000	63%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	41,000,000	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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Funding is from Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and local funding are the possible funding sources at this time.

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?

09/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/01/2028

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

The ongoing costs for the Terminal Expansion will be included in the annual operating budget of the the District.

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.

Panama City - Bay County Airport and Industrial District

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	Construction and Project Management	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 funding will utilized to supplement the funding for the North Terminal Expansion Program at ECP. This project is the Expansion of the Airport Terminal at ECP to meet the continued demand and growth of Northwest Florida.



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

The TEP includes approximately 80,000 sf of additional terminal and concourse space including but not limited to the Security Checkpoint, Baggage Claim, Holdrooms, passenger amenities and 3 additional gate positions with Passenger Boarding Bridges.

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

The Project will create three (3) new commercial air traffic gates leading to a 33% increase in travel options and availability for the Panhandle and travelers throughout the world.

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

The District Airport serves almost 2 million passengers per year all across the panhandles, the state of Florida, the United States and the world. The Project would grow the target population by increasing offerings throughout the world.

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

The expected out come will be providing additional and expanded air travel opportunities for residents and guests of our Region. In addition these increased recreational travel opportunities will lead to increases in additional economic development opportunities throughout the Panhandle and helps the region to recruit business relocation to the State of Florida.

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 the event of failing to meet deliverables or performance measures, unused funds will be returned to the State.

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

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) Independent Special District

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name



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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.