

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3088

| 1. Project Title | Arcadia Wastewater Treatment Plant |
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2. Senate Sponsor Ben Albritton

3. Date of Request 2/7/2025

4. Project/Program Description

The City of Arcadia has begun the design for a new wastewater treatment plant. The design is at 99% and the permit is almost ready to be submitted. The estimated cost for the design and construction of the WWTP was \$45,000,000 and the City has secured \$45M in grant funds. \$6,000,000 more is needed for the design and construction of a new aeration process for the Solids Processing System, as well as the renovation of the existing WWTP operations building. The addition of this aeration process to the project is vital to ensure optimal sludge treatment, to allow for land application, and enhance overall plant performance. While the City is building the WWTP, they are also in a multi-year replacement program for the water distribution lines and sewer collection lines. We did not want to seek funding for the WWTP through the SRF program only because we did not want to risk not being able to finish the Collection/Distribution phases we are in.

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 | 3,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 3,000,000 |

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) | 3,000,000 | 6% | |
| Matching Funds | | | |
| Federal | 19,823,318 | 41% | |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 25,368,000 | 53% | |
| Local | 0 | 0% | |
| Other | 0 | 0% | |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 | 48,191,318 | 100% | |

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

| Fiscal Year | Amount | | Specific | Vetoed |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|--------|
| (уууу-уу) | Recurring | Nonrecurring | Appropriation # | |
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9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

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

10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

| 🔘 Planning | 💽 Design | Construction | 🔘 N/A |
|------------|----------|--------------|-------|
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- b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?
- c. What is the estimated start date of construction?
- d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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

Water/Sewer Revenues

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.

Yes

9/1/2025

12/31/2027

City of Arcadia

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 | Construction, Design | 3,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | |

13. Program Performance

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

To have a WWTP that will have sludge and solids treatment that will work optimally with the MBR wastewater process. The WWTP is currently under design (99% complete).

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

Design of the Solids Processing System



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

Disposal costs of solids could be lowered

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

4000

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

A more economical and ecological wastewater by product.

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?

We are currently under Consent Order with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. EPA mandates that all Wastewater Treatment Plants meet Advanced Wastewater Treatment standards by 2027. The current plant does not meet AWTP standards.

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 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

🗆 No



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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?

- ☑ 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)
- D N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

□ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)

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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- □ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- D N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2027

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| b. Municipality and | d County | DeSoto | | | |
| c. Organization Ty | ре | | | | |
| □For Profit Entity | | | | | |
| □Non Profit 501(c | □Non Profit 501(c)(3) | | | | |
| □Non Profit 501(c | □Non Profit 501(c)(4) | | | | |
| ☑Local Entity | | | | | |
| University or Co | llege | | | | |
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