



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3251

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Funds are needed to seek contractual engineering services to analyze the elements and components needed to prevent water infiltrating into the wastewater facilities, such as a protective berm/wall or other improvement(s). Protection of critical assets and life, health and safety for citizenry for this Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO). The wastewater plant facilities were compromised due to Hurricane Ian and the rise of the Peace River and is identified as high risk in the comprehensive vulnerability assessment.

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	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>750,000</b>

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)	750,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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)?**

**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?**

**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.**

**12. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Other Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contractual services for study of hardening of wastewater treatment plant facilities from being submerged and flooded during storm events and administration.	750,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>750,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

The wastewater plant facilities were compromised due to Hurricane Ian and the rise of the Peace River and is identified as high risk in the vulnerability assessment. Funds are needed to seek contractual engineering services to analyze the elements and components needed to prevent water infiltrating into the wastewater facilities, such as a protective berm/wall or other improvement(s). Protection of critical assets and life, health and safety for citizenry for this Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO).

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

To seek services for engineering study and administration through competitive procurement policies.



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

Direct services is the protection of wastewater treatment plant facilities, a critical assets identified as high risk in the vulnerability assessment, from flooding improves and protects the general public from harm, health, life and safety by preventing sewage infiltrating into the surface, groundwater, the environment and the Peace River Basin and Charlotte Harbor Estuary.

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

The target population is the State of Florida and protection State water resources of the Peace River and Charlotte Harbor Estuary, residents, visitors, elderly persons, students, economically disadvantaged persons, the general public, and the surrounding areas. Population expected to be served exceeds 25,000.

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

Outcome will be the appropriate elements needed to be designed and constructed for the protection of critical assets identified as high risk in the vulnerability assessment wastewater treatment plant facilities from flooding; improves and protects the general public and the environment from harm by preventing sewage infiltrating into the surface, groundwater, the environment and the Peace River Basin and Charlotte Harbor Estuary.

**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?**

Contractual milestones established throughout project, implementation of corrective action plan, non-payment of invoices until milestones completed.

**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):**

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**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**

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