



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3362

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

These funds will mitigate a serious environmental issue taking place at Crystal Lake in the southwest region of Washington County. The completion of this will eliminate the orange plumes and sediment from washing into the spring-fed lake, which is directly connected to the Floridan Aquifer with no discharge. The project design will meet NFWMD requirements for stormwater treatment with prior to discharge into Crystal Lake using the two boat ramps owned by Washington County. Due to concerns of the local residents the county has decided to redesign a portion of the mitigation to include retention pond(s). This additional request of funds will include monies to purchase property for these pond(s). As well as the redesign of the current plan.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	450,166		No

9. Is future 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.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. 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?

12. 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.

13. 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: Other		
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	Project Construction/Engineering Modification	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

This project will prevent sediment from entering the pristine waters of Crystal Lake and forming plumes of red from the roadway. The project will also improve safety to the general public and promote tourism to the south end of Washington County.



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

Discharge of sediment into the spring-fed lake will be eliminated, and roadway safety will be greatly enhanced with improvements including grassed swales, new signage, and shoulders to meet Green Book standards.

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

The safety of the roadway will be improved and the discharge of sediment into Crystal Lake will be eliminated due to treatment of runoff during rain events with swales

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

The target population is approximately 800 people that are in Washington and Bay Counties that own the homes around the lake and use the public boat landings.

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

The benefit will be to the existing wetlands and groundwater since the lake is directly connected to the Floridan Aquifer. The benefit will also be to the general public with safer transportation. The turbidity of the lake can be monitored before and after the improvements to verify the change in turbidity in the water.

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 the contract?

Failure to complete the project as agreed upon shall result in funds being removed from the project.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. 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**



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

19. 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)
- N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?