



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2380

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

Fort Florida is a critical arterial/evacuation road within the City. Bridge reconstruction is needed to properly manage Florida Power and Light's (FPL) industrial waste water from their 1200-acre cooling reservoir, known as Lake Konomac, to the St. Johns River. FPL manages Lake Konomac levels by using spillway gates that has a capability of emptying water up to 2200 c.f.s. Spillway water passes under the Ft. Florida Road Bridge which has a capacity of 400 c.f.s., less than 1/5th the The Bridge was inspected by FDOT after Hurricanes Ian and Nicole, reporting significant erosion of the Bridge structure. Reconstruction will 1) up-size and properly build the spillway under the bridge to handle capacity to prevent flooding of a future development across the street, and 2) prevent bridge structural failure due to water erosion. Bridge is located in the Gemini Springs Remediation Area, an outstanding Florida spring. The FPL Spillway empties into a SJRWMD Impaired Water Body.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

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

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	50%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	25%
Other	500,000	25%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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

Yes

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

The City received \$10.6 million in federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic. These monies have been earmarked for major storm water projects in the City as well as for purchasing environmentally sensitive and conservation land to prevent development.

## 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

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

One year from appropriation approval.

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

One year from start 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.

The Bridge is owned and maintained by the City of DeBary. Under the Bridge is FPL Spillway which channels their industrial wastewater from their Reservoir to the St. Johns River.

13. 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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Design & Engineering and Reconstruction of a new Bridge	1,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

14. Program Performance



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

1) Prevent Bridge Structural Failure. Fort Florida Road is a critical economic arterial road to City's TOD and Downtown and it is also one of two evacuation routes for our western residents. After Hurricanes Ian and Nicole, FDOT has reported significant bridge erosion as a result of FPL industrial wastewater flow. 2) Prevent Massive Flooding Potential. Spillway under the Bridge is one-fifth (400 c.f.s.) the capacity of Lake Konomac's Spillway Gates (2200 c.f.s.). Housing development across street cannot proceed until reconstruction.

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

Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality. Protect the general public from harm. Improve transportation conditions. Increase or improve economic activity. Increase tourism. Improve wastewater management. Improve storm water management. Improve groundwater quality. Improve drinking water quality. Improve surface water quality.

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

1) Transportation. Fort Florida Road is a critical economic arterial road to City's TOD and Downtown and it is also one of two evacuation routes for our western residents. 2) Environmental Regulation. Resolution of this issue will eliminate the FPL's exemption and equalize equity among Florida businesses. 3) Economic Development. Bridge reconstruction will enable housing development across the street to proceed by eliminating the threat of massive flooding. 4) Public Safety. This project will ensure homes do not get flooded. 5) Water Quality. This project will protect Gemini Springs and St. Johns River.

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

Fort Florida is a major road connecting residents to our commercial district, SunRail station, TOD area and DeBary Main Street (downtown). Greater than 1000 western DeBary residents are expected to be served.

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

Bridge structure is currently being eroded by the FPL spillway. The bridge must be reconstructed to prevent road failure. A newly constructed bridge will accommodate growth and protect residents from possible flooding/road closure in the event of an emergency. The new bridge design will enable FPL to better manage Lake Konomac's water levels. Lake Konomac is FPL's 1200-acre, above-ground, reservoir. Berm failure of reservoir is a threat to our community.

**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?**

Fines for not meeting deadlines.

**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



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- 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**

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. **Name**

b. **Firm Name**

c. **E-mail Address**

d. **Phone Number**