



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2815

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection encourages communities to construct walkovers over sand dunes to bridge these indispensable natural features that protect coastal communities from storm surges, flooding, and erosion. The City desires to add walkovers in five areas with significant public use to provide storm surge defense via protection of dune vegetation and minimization of dune erosion; and safe, convenient beach access for all, especially those with mobility challenges.

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	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	69%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	222,200	31%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	722,200	100%

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.

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	Planning and construction/rehabilitation of dune walkovers.	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

14. Program Performance

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

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



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-Protecting dune vegetation: Walkovers allow people to access the beach without trampling on the plants.
 - Minimizing dune erosion: Walkovers are elevated above the dunes, which helps to prevent foot traffic from eroding the sand.
 - Providing everyone safe and convenient access to the beach: Walkovers make it easier for people to get to the beach, especially those with mobility challenges

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

-Storm surge defense
 -Protection of activities commonly found on Florida's public beaches
 -Walking, sunbathing, wheelchair use, beachcombing, sandcastling, dogwalking, picnicking
 - Swimming, biking, Surfing, boogie-boarding
 - Volleyball, bocce, other sports

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

Tens of thousands Visitors and the residents of Atlantic Beach.

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

Dunes reduce the impact of storm surge by slowing down and absorbing the force of the waves. Walkovers are elevated above the dunes, which helps to prevent foot traffic from eroding the sand. Visitor data and tracking of resources being used currently to repair dunes will be measured against historical data.

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?

Penalty- Money per day due to not meeting the minimum requirements as provided.

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)



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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

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?