



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3103

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This is a request for funding for effluent disposal. Based on a 2023 feasibility study- a 20-year solution is needed to treat and handle effluent. The city's permit to handle capacity expires in 2026 and a solution must be in place at that time. The current contract with Mosaic has expired and is on a month to month extension. The long term feasibility for mining operations to continue as a the primary user is in question. The City is planning to partner with agricultural entities to create a public/private irrigation solution which necessitates the purchase of 130 acres. Effluent capacity is essential in ensuring overflows do not encroach into the Peace River. The project would include permitting, materials and construction of pipe and other appurtenances.

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	2,800,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,800,000</b>

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)	2,800,000	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 2024-2025</b>	<b>2,800,000</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.

Current budget restraints and general revenues are not within fund-able range.

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



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Yes

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

\$5M CV Broadband grant currently under environmental review. Also ARPA funds are currently targeted for infrastructure projects of great need that include sewer/ water supply for the city.

## 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.

The City of Fort Meade would be the direct owner of the purchased property to include all improvements.

### 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	Purchase of property; design and permitting for effluent disposal infrastructure	2,800,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,800,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

Increased effluent capacity for future growth and mitigate potential overflow into the Peace River.

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



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City staff will work with all parties to ensure the most cost effective and environmentally sound solution is adopted and maintained. City leadership will execute and maintain agreements/business plans with private agriculture entities(if applicable)

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

Citizens will directly benefit from a cost effective solution to other alternative water projects that could directly cause increase in utility billing.

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

The entire City residents and businesses would derive benefit via increased capacity to the system to include future commercial and residential growth.

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

This project will ensure capacity for permit renewal. The methodology that can be used are the direct financial impacts that will result from inaction. Refer to the feasibility study recommendations 2023 performed in cooperation with Southwest Water Management District.

**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?**

Non-payment of invoices

**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) Municipality

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**



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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?