



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Beulah Interchange Connector Project

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Doug Broxson

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/06/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

New Roadway Capacity Project - the funds would provide the necessary design phase funding for the Beulah Interchange Connector (Nine Mile Road to Muscogee Road). The County is currently conducting the Alternative Corridor Evaluation Study as required by state and federal law and has invested approx. \$2.699M of local funds towards the project. However, the County has an additional \$900K programmed in Local Option Sales Tax III to contribute to the design phase as a local match. The project is related to the interchange report at I-10 in the Beulah community currently underway by FDOT. The project will serve as an important hurricane evacuation route, relieve congestion on I-10 and US 29, and provide beneficial economic impacts to the area. The project is ranked priority 13 by the FL-AL Transportation Planning Organization. The project is closely related to a feasibility study for an interchange at I-10 and Beulah Rd currently underway by FDOT.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Transportation

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
1,000,000		1,000,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	4,675,000	41.6%
Local	5,575,000	49.6%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	10,250,000	91.2 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 11,250,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**



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- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

- If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

\$1,000,000

11. Program Performance:

- What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

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- What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Economic development, hurricane evacuation, and congestion relief to I-10 and other surrounding corridors. The increased mobility options and access will benefit the new commercial and residential developments in the area and will also positively impact tourism.

- How will the funds be expended?



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Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	An engineering firm will be consulted to provide the design.	1,000,000
TOTAL		1,000,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Hurricane evacuation, traffic relief, quality of life improvements, and economic development.

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

All local and regional citizens, more than 1,000 individuals.

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

Improved hurricane evacuation and traffic relief, economic growth, and environmental benefits.

g. 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?

Typical penalties from Escambia County performance measures including withholding of funds.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

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- a. **Organization:** Escambia County Board of County Commissioners
- b. **County:** Escambia
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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