



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1512

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project provides a long-term protective solution to the progressive deterioration of North Ponte Vedra Beach, which continues to suffer extraordinary damage from waves, erosion and inundation caused by coastal storms over the last 6 years. As a full beach nourishment project, an engineered beach with a vegetated dune system will be constructed to protect private property and vulnerable ecosystems, and to sustain recreation and tourism opportunities.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	25,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>25,000,000</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)	25,000,000	65%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	5,200,000	14%
Local	8,200,000	21%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>38,400,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	1,700,000	1779A	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?  No

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?

Yes

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



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1512

\$106 million in COVID-19 direct and indirect funding for: COVID-19 prevention and mitigation; business and non-profit grant programs; affordable housing; rental assistance; public transit; water and sewer infrastructure; public safety first responder efforts.

## 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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

7/1/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2024

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.

Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida

### 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, construction, and inspection of full beach nourishment in the form of an engineered beach with a vegetated dune system.	25,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>25,000,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

This project provides a long-term protective solution to the progressive deterioration of North Ponte Vedra Beach, which continues to suffer extraordinary damage from waves, erosion and inundation caused by coastal storms over the last 6 years. As a full beach nourishment project, an engineered beach with a vegetated dune system will be constructed to protect private property and vulnerable ecosystems, and to sustain recreation and tourism opportunities.

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



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1512

Environmental assessment, Borrow Site Survey/ECL, Permitting (State, Federal and Local), Analysis, Design, Engineering, and Construction.

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

The Project will provide continued protection of people, property and infrastructure. Continued protection of State Road A1A and Ponte Vedra Blvd, the only evacuation routes for about 6,000 residents on the barrier island. It will also increase tourism and boost the economy. The County hired a coastal engineering firm to produce an access report to identify opportunities to increase public access.

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

Over 200,000 residents and 6 million visitors.

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

The continued rebuilding of the beaches and dune system will help protect private property, upland infrastructure, and vulnerable ecosystems from wind and waves of coastal storms. Beach restoration will increase tourism, including new tourism-related job opportunities and financial stability for local businesses with a tourism related nexus. Dune Restoration will provide a habitat for plants and animals, especially nesting areas for sea turtles and birds. The success of the project will be measured by property values, tourism revenues, post-storm structural damage / inundation of surface roadways vs. historical records, number of turtle nests vs. historical records, job growth, and business activity in the project area.

**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?**

Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

**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)



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1512

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