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Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** South Dade Wetlands Preserve Land Acquisition for Salt Intrusion

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Annette Taddeo

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/18/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Funds will be used to acquire land from willing sellers in a wetland preserve in southern Miami-Dade County to facilitate projects that slow salt intrusion, which threatens nearby wellfields including but not limited to the sole source of potable water for the Florida Keys. In conjunction with currently owned State and Miami-Dade County lands, these acquisitions will also enable projects that improve water management, allow for hazard mitigation and restore wetlands in these vulnerable areas.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

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

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
	500,000	500,000

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)	0	0.0%
Local	500,000	50.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	500,000	50.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 1,000,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?



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- d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
e. 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?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

Acquisition of lands from willing sellers in a wetland preserve near the coastline is to facilitate projects that can slow salt intrusion which threatens nearby wellfields including but not limited to the sole source of potable water for the Florida Keys. These acquisition will also enable projects that improve water management, allow for hazard mitigation and restore wetlands in these vulnerable areas.

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

Land acquisition from willing sellers.

c. How will the funds be expended?

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		



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<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	Land Acquisition of wetlands from willing sellers that are needed for hazard mitigation, improve water management, and to facilitate projects that retain water to address salt water intrusion.	500,000
TOTAL		500,000

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

Acquisition of wetlands in the South Dade Wetlands Preserve will facilitate regional projects that manage surface and groundwater to improve groundwater quality and stabilize or reverse salt intrusion a the base of the Biscayne Aquifer.

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

Citizens of Miami-Dade County and the Florida Keys.

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

Protect/enable continued use of drinking water wellfields located in South Miami-Dade County, including by not limited to wellfields under the jurisdiction of Miami-Dade Water and Sewer and the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority. The outcome will be measured by the number of wetland acres acquired and restored near wellfields and saltwater intruded areas.

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?

N/A

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.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

a. Name: Paul Voight

b. Organization: Miami-Dade County Regulatory and Economic Resources, Division of Environmental Resources



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- c. **Email:** voighp@miamidade.gov
- d. **Phone Number:** (305)372-6849

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Miami-Dade County Regulatory and Economic Resources, Division of Environmental Resources

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- b. **County:** Miami-Dade

c. Organization Type:

- ☐ For Profit
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- ☒ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (Please specify)

- d. **Contact Name:** Paul Voight

- e. **E-mail Address:** voighp@miamidade.gov

- f. **Phone Number:** (305)372-6849

15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. **Name:** Richard Pinsky

- b. **Firm:** Akerman LLP

- c. **Email:** richard.pinsky@akerman.com

- d. **Phone Number:** (561)386-1992

16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- ☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☐ Other (Please describe)
- ☒ N/A

17. What is the population economic status?

- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- ☐ Rural Area of Economic Concern



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☐ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288-0656, Florida Statutes)

☒ N/A

18. What is the status of construction?

Construction has not begin as they are awaiting the authorization of funds.

19. What percentage of construction has been completed?

Construction has not begin as they are awaiting the authorization of funds.

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

Construction has not begin as they are awaiting the authorization of funds. Once they are approved for the project they can give an accurate timeline.