The Florida Senate
Local Funding Initiative Request
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1563

1. **Project Title**: Ocala - Septic Tank Abatement

2. **Senate Sponsor**: Keith Perry

3. **Date of Request**: 12/03/2019

4. **Project/Program Description**
   
   The purpose of this funding request is to continue to take septic tanks off-line and connect customers to the City of Ocala's sanitary sewer system. This funding would take 200 septic tanks off-line, reducing total Nitrogen in groundwater by an estimated 2,868 lbs annually. This funding would assist in covering: septic tank abandonment, lateral to sewer main, and impact fees.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**: Department of Environmental Protection
   
   State Agency contacted?  
   ◯ Yes  ◯ No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

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<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Operations</td>
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<td>Fixed Capital Outlay</td>
<td>800,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total State Funds Requested</strong></td>
<td><strong>800,000</strong></td>
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7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

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<th>Type of Funding</th>
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<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)</td>
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<td>80.0 %</td>
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<td><strong>Matching Funds</strong></td>
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<td>Federal</td>
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<td>State (excluding the amount of this request)</td>
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<td>Local</td>
<td>200,000</td>
<td>20 %</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td><strong>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,000,000</strong></td>
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8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**  
   ◯ Yes  ◯ No
   
   If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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<th>Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Specific Appropriation #</th>
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<td>Recurring</td>
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9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?**  
   ◯ Yes  ◯ No
   
   If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.  
   800,000
10. **Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

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<td><strong>Operational Costs: Other</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</strong></td>
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<td>Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering</td>
<td>This funding will cover: septic tank abandonment; installation and connection of the lateral to sewer main and impact fees.</td>
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11. **Program Performance**

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

The primary objective of the project is to design and construct a sanitary sewer system which will remove from service approximately 200 septic tanks. This will reduce nutrient loading in the Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs Basins. Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs are impaired water bodies due to nutrient pollution.

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

The work covers the cost of connection, septic tank abandonment, and impact fees associated with the connection. Residents would be able to connect to the sanitary sewer at no cost. By taking septic tanks off-line and connecting residents to the sanitary sewer this would improve the water quality of impaired water bodies such as the Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs spring sheds.

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

The resident would receive, free of charge to them, cost of connection, septic tank abandonment, and impact fees associated with the connection.

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

Residents within City of Ocala limits, that currently have a septic tank and have availability to city sewer. There is currently a database of interested residents.

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

The estimated domestic wastewater is based on the Bureau of Onsite Sewage Programs estimates. This total estimated reduction is based on data that the loadings in pounds of nitrogen per OSTDS in the Silver Springs Springshed is approximately 9.92 lb-N/person, and the household average in Marion County is 2.41 persons.

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 in the contract?

Standard penalties, bonding requirements, and state/federal license requirements.
12. **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.**

   City of Ocala

13. **Requestor Contact Information**
   a. First Name: Sean
   b. Organization: City of Ocala
   c. E-mail Address: SLanier@ocalafl.org
   d. Phone Number: (352)351-6772

14. **Recipient Contact Information**
   a. Organization: City of Ocala - Water Resources
   b. Municipality and County: Marion
   c. Organization Type
      - For-profit Entity
      - Non-Profit 501(c) (3)
      - Non-Profit 501(c) (4)
      - Local Entity
      - University or College
      - Other (please specify)
   d. First Name: Rusella
   e. E-mail Address: RJohnson@ocalafl.org
   f. Phone Number: (352)3516772

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**
   a. Name: Mr. Stephen Shiver & Ms. Sara
   b. Firm Name: The Advocacy Group at Cardenas Parthers
   c. E-mail Address: ss@cardenaspartners.com; sjb@cardenaspar
   d. Phone Number: (850)2228900

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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?
   - Waste Water Revolving Loan
   - Drinking Water Revolving Loan
   - Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
   - Other (please specify) [Appropriation Project Request]
   - N/A

17. 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

18. What is the status of construction?
   - Not started

19. What percentage of the construction has been completed?
   - 0

20. What is the estimated completion date of construction?
   - 10/01/2022

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.