

LFIR # 2425

- **Project Title** Caloosahatchee River Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Restoration 1.
- 2. **Senate Sponsor** Debbie Mayfield
- 3. Date of Request 01/17/2020

4. **Project/Program Description**

State Agency contacted?

The objective of this project is to create 30 acres of Tape grass meadows within the Caloosahatchee River that will filter both nutrients and algae from reaching downstream waters as well as providing critically important habitat for fisheries production.

State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Environmental Protection 5.

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

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operations	1,615,113	
Fixed Capital Outlay	000	
Total State Funds Requested	1,615,113	

○ Yes ● No

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1615113	100.0 %	
Matching Funds			
Federal	00	0 %	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %	
Local	00	0 %	
Other	00	0 %	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	1,615,113	100 %	

Has this project previously received state funding? 8. • Yes O No If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year			Specific	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	recurring Appropriation #	
2019-20	00	100,000	1695D	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? ○ Yes No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Administration	130,755
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Oth	er	
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Environmental Monitoring, Permitting, Engineering, Reporting, Planting Nursery grown grass, Protecting grass, Maintenance of grass, Educational markers installation.	1,484,358
Fixed Capital Construc	tion/Major Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Re	equested (must equal total from question #6)	1,615,113



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11. Program Performance

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

This project will create 30 acres of critically important submerged vegetation meadows. The benefits of submerged vegetation meadows have been extensively researched for their importance in recreationally and commercially important fisheries production, providing critically important habitat, reducing toxic algae blooms, stabilizing sediments, absorbing nutrients, and coastal resilience.

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

The funds will be spent on project management, cultivation and installation of 165,000 nursery cultivated aquatic plants, protect plants with 12 aids to navigation and 660 herbivory exclusion cages, maintenance of the herbivory exclusion cages and plants, reporting, and scientific review.

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

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

Both the local and state economy will benefit from this project. This project will have direct positive impacts to the seafood industry, eco-tourism industry, recreational boating industry, real estate industry, and the tourism industry as each of these industries are dependent on healthy habitats and clean water. The indirect effects of this project will reach individuals that depend on clean water in Florida.

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

Both the local and state economy will benefit from this project. This project will have direct positive impacts to the seafood industry, eco-tourism industry, recreational boating industry, real estate industry, and the tourism industry as each of these industries are dependent on healthy habitats and clean water. The benefits of this project will be reviewed by independent scientist that will monitor changes in water quality, fisheries production, and plant expansion. Annual monitoring reports will be generated for three years documenting the success of the goals of this project.

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?

If deliverables are not achieved in full monies allocated to the deliverable should be withheld.



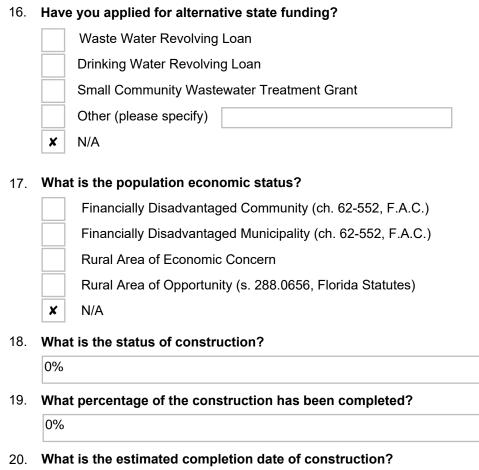
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12. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

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