



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2517

1. **Project Title** Lee County Deep Lagoon Preserve Water Quality Improvement Project2. **Senate Sponsor** Ben Albritton3. **Date of Request** 01/23/20204. **Project/Program Description**

The Deep Lagoon Preserve Water Quality Improvement project consists of a series of structural and non-structural best management practices with the potential to provide the most pollutant load reduction at the least cost, with the primary focus on reducing nitrogen loading into the Caloosahatchee River. Consideration will be given to gravity-fed retention ponds, channel/ditch modifications, ditch blocks and pumped solutions. The major benefits from this project will be reducing nutrient runoff to the Caloosahatchee River. Additionally, the project will enhance and promote wildlife habitat.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Environmental ProtectionState Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	000
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,640,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,640,000

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)	2640000	89.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	340,000	11 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	2,980,000	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construct project to engineering specifications.	2,640,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,640,000



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11. Program Performance

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

Improvement in water quality and wildlife usage.

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

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

The Project is expected to provide multiple benefits including water quality improvements, increased natural function, habitat enhancement, and groundwater recharge. This project will provide ecosystem restoration through hydrologic and water quality improvements

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

Improvements will realized by resident of Lee County as well as the Southwest Florida region. Reducing nutrients that would otherwise go to the Gulf of Mexico provides regional environmental benefits. The current Lee County population is 750,000.

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

Improvement in water quality and wildlife usage. The County will collect and analyze water on site to determine improvements acheived.

- 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?

Failure to adequately fulfill deliverables as contractually agreed can lead to non-payment and/or contract termination.



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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.**

Lee County has purchased all lands that this project will be located on.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **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)
- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.



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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)
- ☒ 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?**

19. **What percentage of the construction has been completed?**

20. **What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

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