



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1446

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The proposed project will include constructing a new 250 gpm production well, back flow preventors, yard piping, a 50,000 gallon storage tank, and controls to incorporate the new well to the existing water system. These improvements are a result of the existing well being struck by lightning in the previous year, causing no water during repairs due to a lack of a backup well and/or storage tank.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	400,000
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	400,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	400,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

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

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?**
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**
- b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

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



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Liberty County was allocated \$1,457,708 as part of the CARES Act for State and Local Governments. However, to date the County has only received \$655,969 in actual payments. Funds were used for PPE, sanitizing supplies, labor, equipment and other items that the County officials deemed necessary in response to the Public Health Emergency brought on by Covid-19.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of a new well, storage tank and other improvements.	400,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

12. Program Performance

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

The construction of a new well, storage tank and other improvements will allow the County to mitigate the inadequate storage volume for the system. The County has spent over \$60,000 in the last year to repair the existing well after it was struck by lightning. That incident led the County to realize the great necessity of a backup well for the water system.

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

A new 250 gpm production well will be built to be used as a support/backup well for the existing main well. Back flow preventors will be included to prevent back-flow in the the system that may cause flooding and mechanical issues. Yard piping will enhance the efficiency of the system and create ease of access for maintenance. A 50,000 gallon storage tank will provide adequate storage for the users if the main well has issues. New controls to incorporate the new well to the existing water system will tie in the new well to the existing well to where they will work together on the same system.

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

This specific project will allow the Rock Bluff to comply with the consent order and provide the citizens with an efficient water system.

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

The target population served by this project will be the citizens of Rock Bluff. There are currently 60 homes under the service of the Rock Bluff water system.

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



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This new well and storage tank will provide clean water, improved capacity for fire protection, and greater reliability for the continued operation of the water system. An FDEP permit certification will be signed and sealed by an engineer licensed in the State of Florida for the improvements at the water well.

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?

The Auditor General conducts audits for both City and State agencies.

13. 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.

Liberty County owns and operates the Rock Bluff Water System, which is receiving the proposed improvements.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number



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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

17. 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

18. 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

19. What is the status of construction?

Not started yet

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2022