



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1458

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

The Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners wishes to clean debris caused by Hurricane Michael along the approximately 40 miles that the Chipola River winds through Calhoun County. The County has yet to receive any funding for this project. The debris along the river has altered the natural flow of water, and the dying debris is decomposing slowly in the river. The Chipola River is one of Calhoun County's largest attractions for residents and visitor. Currently, the river is unsafe to boat or float on due to the amount of debris in the river. Since this is one of Florida's treasured waterways, the County feels that the Chipola River should be cleaned to restore natural water flow and create a once again safe environment for residents and visitors.

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	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

**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)	1,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.**

Future funding amount is unknown. It will depend on how far \$1,000,000 will go on this project. FDEP or NFWFMD funding are sources that could possibly be used.

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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Yes

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

CARES - FAA grant \$20,000 - used to pay operational expenses at the airport  
 CARES CRF - \$119,936.96 - used for individual citizen housing assistance  
 CARES - \$966,073 - used for business assistance grants, PPE supply purchases, ambulance purchases and 1st responder salaries.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Coordinator and director of operations to supervise contractors work and serve as liaison for the county with the DEP.	50,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Force account labor and equipment to move the debris to approved disposal site/local landfill.	150,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contractors to remove Hurricane Michael debris from Chipola river waterways to collections sites for county disposal per FDEP guidance.	800,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

The goal of this project is to have the Chipola River cleaned to restore natural water flow and create a safe environment for residents and visitors. This will also provide a place for many citizens and residents to social distance during the COVID pandemic.

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

This project will involve the planning, debris cleanup/removal, and cleanup inspection of the Chipola River. The Chipola River is one of Calhoun County's largest attractions and economic boosts. Residents and visitors buy gas, food, bait, and other items that help boost the economy when they go to the Chipola River and it will also provide safe access for residents and visitors.

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

Citizens will be able to safely navigate the river for fishing, floating, or other recreational activities without worrying about hurricane debris causing safety issues. They will also be provided a place to social distance.

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

All citizens of Calhoun County and visitors from other areas. This is one of Calhoun County's largest attractions and economic boosts. Approximately 15,000 Calhoun County citizens and several thousand visitors.

**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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The Chipola River is one of Calhoun County's largest attractions and economic boosts. Residents and visitors buy gas, food, bait, and other items that help boost the economy when they go to the Chipola River. With the current lack of accessibility, the County is missing out on this revenue. Cleaning the debris out of the river would encourage people to use and enjoy the river like they were able to before Hurricane Michael.

**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 County will work with the contracting agency to determine applicable measures should funding be made available.

**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.**

The Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners will receive funding and oversee the cleanup.



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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) FDEP 2020 Portal Application
- 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?**

In planning phase.

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

0%

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

12/31/2021