



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1477

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

#### 4. Project/Program Description

The Little Wekiva River is located on the west side Seminole County and is designated an Outstanding Florida Water (OFW). The restoration project is planned to begin north of Springs Landing Bridge and end south of SR46 downstream of the confluence of the Big and Little Wekiva Rivers. The restoration is approximately 7,000 LF in length and approximately 20 acres in total. This multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional project would provide much needed maintenance and restoration of the Little Wekiva River (LWR) in this area. Proposed project activities will include the harvesting of invasive plant islands, removal of deposited sediments within the river, re-contouring of historic meanders, and replanting with beneficial native plant species. The excess accumulated sediments and vegetation are causing the river to spread out further into the flood plain and increase residential, commercial and municipal flooding potential.

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	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>500,000</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)	500,000	50%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	50%
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.

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.

Seminole County received \$82.3M in COVID-19 Relief/CARES Act funding that was used to support small businesses, individual residents, cities, constitutional offices, not-for-profit organizations, and education entities with recovery efforts related to the pandemic.

#### 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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Study	100,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Restoration	400,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

This project will contribute towards improved water quality by providing much needed maintenance and restoration of the River. Historic meanders will be re-contoured and beneficial native plant species will be replanted. Will this manage the flooding?

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

Seminole County will monitor the water body by FDEP Numeric Nutrient Criteria, water chemistry, and biological standards.

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

Citizens and visitors will be able to safely enjoy the Little Wekiva as a recreational destination.

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

County residents, as well as visitors and Central Floridians overall.

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

Seminole County will monitor the body of water by FDEP Numeric Nutrient Criteria, water chemistry, water quality monitoring, and biological standards. This project will contribute towards the reduction of nutrients and other pollutants entering the waterbody.

##### f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Reimbursement of funds to FDEP.

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.

N/A



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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