



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1774

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

#### 4. Project/Program Description

The City of Blountstown is currently under a Consent Order which addresses domestic wastewater issues related to the Blountstown Wastewater Treatment Facility. It is imperative that the City completes this project to fulfill the requirements of the Consent Order. This project includes upgrades to the existing wastewater treatment facility and the implementation land application of treated effluent to replace the existing surface water discharge to Sutton Creek which should improve surface water quality in the creek.

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

#### 6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	10,633,320
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>10,633,320</b>

#### 7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	10,633,320	81%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	2,526,750	19%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>13,160,070</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	1,076,750	07014	No

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

#### 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		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Land acquisition, design, and construction of land application system.	10,633,320
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>10,633,320</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The purpose of this project is the implementation of a land application system for Blountstown WWTP. This will also satisfy the requirements of the existing Consent Order and improve surface water quality in Sutton Creek, a tributary of the Apalachicola River.

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

These funds will allow for land acquisition, design, and construction of an effluent land application system and required facility upgrades for the City of Blountstown's WWTP. This will allow the City to meet the stipulations of the Consent Order from FDEP to eliminate their existing surface water discharge of treated effluent to Sutton Creek, a tributary of the Apalachicola River.

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

This project will eliminate surface water discharge to Sutton Creek, a tributary of the Apalachicola River. This should decrease local surface water quality issues associated with the existing effluent discharge to Sutton Creek.

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

This project should provide benefits to the general population of the City of Blountstown as well as any other individuals who utilize the Apalachicola River. The City serves approximately 2,800 people with sewer.

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

It is expected that this project will improve surface water quality by removing the existing outfall to Sutton Creek. This outcome can be measured by surface water sampling.

##### 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?



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The City of Blountstown is currently under a Consent Order from FDEP to remove the surface water discharge from the WWTP and instead utilize a land application system. The City 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 City of Blountstown would receive the funds. They own and operate the existing facility and would own and operate the proposed facility as well.



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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?**

Planning is complete. Design is ready to begin.

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

0%

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

12/31/2023