



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2821

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Revert unexpended funds provided in FY 2021-22 for crayfish habitat restoration land acquisition and appropriate funds for FY 2022-23 for crayfish/wetlands mitigation bank and land acquisition. The goal of the project consists of prevention of federally listing of the Panama City crayfish by protecting 2,000 acres of their habitat in perpetuity. Secondary benefits is the availability of this land for public recreation, protection of land vital to aquifer recharge, flood protection and water quality protection of St Andrew Bay. Funds will be used for the cost associated with establishing a crayfish wetland mitigation bank to include to permitting of the bank, monitoring and reporting, land management and acquisition.

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	4,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	4,000,000

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)	4,000,000	67%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	2,000,000	33%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	6,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22		4,000,000	1809B	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.

Bay County has received approximately \$20,000,000 in CARES funding. This funding has been used for Covid-19 testing, PP&E for County and surrounding municipalities, and additional cost associated with the pandemic.

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	Funds will be used for the cost associated with establishing a crayfish wetland mitigation bank to include to permitting of the bank, monitoring and reporting, land management and acquisition.	4,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		4,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

Goal of the project consists of prevention of federally listing of the Panama City crayfish by protecting 2,000 acres of their habitat in perpetuity. Secondary benefits is the availability of this land for public recreation, protection of land vital to aquifer recharge, flood protection and water quality protection of St Andrew Bay.

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

2,000 acres of the Panama City crayfish habitat will be protected in perpetuity. Study by the US Fish and Wildlife documenting the protection of 2,000 acres of Panama City crayfish habitat would ensure population resilience and prevent the species from being Federally listed.

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

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

All taxpayers in Bay County. Avoiding the federal listing of the Panama City Crayfish, by protecting 2,000 acres of their habitat in perpetuity.

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

Protection of 2,000 acres of crayfish habitat for preservation, public recreation, flood protection and water quality protection of St. Andrew Bay.



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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?

Failure to contract within the fiscal year shall result in the funding being revoked by the agency.

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.

Bay County Board of County Commissioners Engineering Division



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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