

LFIR # 2515

Starke Evaluation to Improve Alligator Creek Water Quality by Removing WWTF Discharge

2. Senate Sponsor Jennifer Bradley

3. Date of Request 12/12/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The 2021 Florida Senate Bill 64 requires certain domestic wastewater utilities to submit to the Department of Environmental Protection a plan for eliminating non beneficial surface water discharge. The City seeking planning funds to evaluate alternative disposal site options that may include reclaim opportunities, regional cooperatives, working with private property owners, subsurface evaluations, land purchase and planning level engineering to permit, and pump and distribute treated effluent on the site.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department

Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	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 2024-2025	1,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
				No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

No

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?

No



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

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

O Planning

Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

🔘 Design

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

- d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?
- 12. List 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

13. 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	Administration of Study	100,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Study of alternative disposal methods and potential impacts	900,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

To evaluate alternative WW disposal methods such that surface water discharges are minimized or eliminated as set forth in SB 64 (Reclaimed Water).

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

Study of alternate WW disposal methods.



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

None

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

City of Stark - Population 5,822

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

An alternate WW disposal method will have been discovered, significantly reducing or eliminating surface water disposals.

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?

No alternate WW disposal method will be discovered leading to continued surface water discharge which will further environmentally degrade the Alligator Creek and Santa Fe Basin areas.

15. Requester Contact Information

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c. Organization Type			
Ger Profit Entity	□For Profit Entity		
□Non Profit 501(c	□Non Profit 501(c)(3)		
□Non Profit 501(c	□Non Profit 501(c)(4)		
☑Local Entity	☑Local Entity		
□University or College			
□Other (please specify)			
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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- □ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- □ Other (please specify)
- D N/A

19. 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)
- D N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

Not Ready

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

9/1/2025