

LFIR # 3383

1. Project Title	Wildflower Street Extension - Highlands County

2. Senate Sponsor Erin Grall

3. Date of Request 01/11/2024

4. Project/Program Description

This project would construct a two-lane roadway and much needed pedestrian access that would connect the communities of Leisure Lakes and Placid Lakes. The entire project is approximately one-mile of road construction on county owned property. Currently, there is a fire station, Station 29, close by that could be utilized to staff, at minimum, an ambulance that is currently being discussed for implementation. This ambulance would be the southernmost based ambulance in the county. Currently, the closest ambulance is stationed in downtown Lake Placid, and the ambulance must navigate Lake June Road.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Transportation

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,500,000

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)	1,500,000	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	1,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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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?

Yes

No



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

\$18,063,838; Emergency Operations Center Expansion. 911 Operator Dispatch Console upgrades, Special Needs Shelter Expansion, Road & Bridge Facility Expansion, 24-Hour Vending Library, County Jail Body Scanners, Healthy Families Household Assistance, Mail In Elections Upgrades

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

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

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.

No

04/01/2025

07/01/2026

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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		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	or Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Administrative costs to oversee and administer the project. Design and construction engineering inspection. Construction of a 2-lane roadway and sidewalk including water detention, signage, striping, etc.	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	1,500,000

14. Program Performance

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



To construct a two-lane roadway and pedestrian access between two large subdivisions in Lake Placid, FL (Leisure Lakes & Placid Lakes) The proposed roadway would reduce emergency response times, provide a pedestrian connection in the area, and facilitate a transportation corridor to promote commerce for the area.

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

The proposed roadway would reduce emergency response times, provide a pedestrian connection in the area, and facilitate a transportation corridor to promote commerce for the area.

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

Provide a transportation corridor to promote commerce and provide a more direct route for shopping, emergency personnel, recreation, nature sighting, hospitals, drug rehabilitation, etc.

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

Elderly persons, persons with poor health, jobless people, economically disadvantaged persons, preschool students, grade school students, high school students, university/college students, and victims of crime. More than 50,000 individuals.

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

Benefit/Methodology:

A. Improved emergency medical response time to calls/time studies.

B. Decrease travel time and provide a corridor for more vehicular traffic/traffic counts, reduction in accidents.

C. Decrease travel time and provide a corridor for more vehicular traffic/analyzing tax dollars and job creation.

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?

Contractual milestones established throughout the project, non-payment of invoices until milestones completed.

15. Requester Contact Information

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16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization	Highlands County Board of County Commissioners	

b. Municipality and County Highlands

c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity

- □Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- □Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☑ Local Entity



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□University or College

Other (please specify)

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