

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR #3510

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11. Status of Construction

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\$2,600,000 in ARPA funding. These funds were used on existing water and waste water infrastructure projects

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

a. What is the current phase of the project?					
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b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	No				
c. What is the estimated start date of construction?	July 2024				
d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?	June 2026				
12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirect relationship between the owners of the facility and the enterior	ctly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the tity.				
The facility is owned and operated by the City of LaBelle					

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	Planning, design and construction administration. To include site plans, stormwater capcaity models, technical spcifications and footprint of infrastrucutre	1,000,000		
Operational Costs: Other				
Salary and Benefits		0		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0		
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:			
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The funds will be used to construct a new storwmwater facility to assist with drainage and water quality concerns. in addition, funds will be used to repair/ upgrade drainage ditches and repair any road surfaces damaged by construction	9,000,000		
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	10,000,000		

14. Program Performance

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

Ford-Sunset part is an especially disadvantaged area of the city. These funds are critical to alleviating flooding and water quality concerns and will be used to construct a new storm-water facility as well as upgrade ditches to address the chronic flooding issues



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

Construction of the new storm-water treatment area, ditch improves and replacement of damaged roads within the community

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

The new storm-water systems will increase public health and safety. It will provide relief from flooding, address water quality concerns and increase the overall economic vitality of this community.

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

There are roughly 700 residents within this community yet, the improved storm-water systems will provide benefits to the entire western part of the city.

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

Improved quality of life for the community. In addition, the project will alleviate flooding concerns and provide overall water quality benefits within the Caloosahatchee River Watershed.

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?

The City of LaBelle Ordinance 2011-17 outlines detailed provisions and penalties for failure to meet deliverables. These include but are not limited to cost recovery and suspension from bid eligibility for up to 3 years.

15. Requester Contact	t Informati	on		
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c. E-mail Address	juliewilkins@citylabelle.com			
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16. Recipient Contact	Informatio	on		
a. Organization	n City of LaBelle			
b. Municipality and	d County	Hendry		
c. Organization Ty	ре			
□For Profit Entity				
□Non Profit 501(d	:)(3)			
□Non Profit 501(d	:)(4)			
☑Local Entity				
□University or Co	llege			
□Other (please sp	pecify)			
d. First Name	Julie		Last Name	Wilkins



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e. E-mail Address					
f. Phone Number	f. Phone Number (863)675-2872				
17. Lobbyist Contact I	nformation				
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c. E-mail Address	ail Address jim@magnoliastrategiesllc.com				
d. Phone Number	(850)228-1296				
-	e the questions below for Water Projects only.				
☑ Waste Water R	evolving Loan				
☐ Drinking Water	☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan				
□ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant					
☐ Other (please s	☐ Other (please specify)				
☑ N/A					
19. What is the popula	tion economic status?				
☐ Financially Disa	dvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)				
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☑ Rural Area of E	conomic Concern				
☑ Rural Area of O	pportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)				
□ N/A					
20. What is the status	of construction?				
not started					
21. What percentage o	of the construction has been completed?				
0					
22. What is the estima	ted completion date of construction?				
9/30 2026					