



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1914

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Windermere Water Master Plan - North Phase will install water mains and lines based on a comprehensive water master study. This critical project marks a significant transition from well and septic systems (which comprises nearly 60% of residential properties) to a reliable potable water supply for the town. The upgrades will improve water access, enhance public health, and ensure long-term sustainability, supporting Windermere's growth and development while reducing reliance on private water sources.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,291,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,291,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,291,000	91%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	129,100	9%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	1,420,100	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year 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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☒ Planning ☐ Design ☐ Construction ☐ N/A

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

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

07/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

07/01/2027

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

Town of Windermere's Public Works budget.

11. 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.

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12. 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		
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	Design and Planning	1,291,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,291,000

13. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will support the installation of water mains and lines to transition Windermere from well and septic systems to a reliable potable water supply. This will improve access to safe drinking water, enhance public health, and support the town's long-term infrastructure development and sustainability.

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

The funds will be used to install water mains and lines in the North Phase of the Windermere Water Master Plan, transitioning the town from well and septic systems to a reliable potable water supply. This will ensure access to clean, safe drinking water and improve long-term infrastructure sustainability for residents.



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

The appropriation project will provide citizens with access to a reliable potable water supply by installing water mains and lines. This will replace well and septic systems, ensuring clean, safe drinking water for residents, improving overall public health, and reduce runoff into the Town's Florida Outstanding Waters. The project will also support long-term water infrastructure, enhancing sustainability and providing a more efficient water delivery system for Windermere.

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

The target population includes all residents and businesses in Windermere, particularly those currently relying on well and septic systems. The project is expected to serve all town residents, businesses, and visitors by providing access to a reliable potable water supply, improving public health, and ensuring long-term infrastructure sustainability for the town. The project will impact a significant portion of the community, supporting its growth and development.

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

The expected benefit of this project is providing Windermere residents with a reliable potable water supply, improving public health, and reducing reliance on well and septic systems. This will ensure long-term sustainability and enhance the town's infrastructure. The outcome will be measured through the completion of water main installations, monitoring water quality, and tracking the number of households transitioned to the new system. Feedback from residents and service reports will also gauge effectiveness.

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 in the contract?

Liquidated Damages or non-reimbursement for non-conformance or compliance.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:



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16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?

- ☐ Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- ☐ Resilient Florida Grant Program
- ☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☐ Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- ☒ N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- ☐ Rural Area of Economic Concern
- ☐ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- ☒ N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

0%

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name
b. Organization
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number Ext.

23. 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 Ext.

24. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number

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