



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1510

1. Project Title Jasper — New Water Treatment Plant & 16-inch Water Transmission Main (Design)

2. Senate Sponsor Corey Simon

3. Date of Request 11/17/2025

4. Project/Program Description

These funds will allow the City of Jasper to complete the design and permitting phase for its New Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and 16-inch Potable Water Transmission Main project—critical upgrades needed to replace the City's failing WTP; resolve long-standing water quality, reliability, redundancy, and resiliency issues; improve system pressure and fire protection; expand the City's O&M capabilities; and support essential residential and economic growth. Advancing this work also ensures Jasper can meet regulatory standards, protect public health, and accommodate existing and future needs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	350,000
Total State Funds Requested	350,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	350,000	64%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	200,000	36%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	550,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.



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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

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?

08/01/2027

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2028

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

O&M costs will be funded through the City's Water & Sewer Utility Fund using established user rates and utility revenues.

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	Funds will support the completion of engineering design and permitting phase services to allow for the construction of the New Water Treatment Plant and associated 16-inch potable water transmission main needed to replace the City's failing WTP: improve system capacity, pressures, and reliability/redundancy; and allow for future residential and economic growth with the City's service area.	350,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		350,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The funds will complete the design and permitting of Jasper's new Water Treatment Plant and 16-inch transmission main—critical upgrades needed to replace the failing WTP, resolve long-standing water quality and reliability issues, improve system pressure and fire protection, and support future residential and economic growth.

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

Activities include engineering design, permitting, technical evaluations, hydraulic modeling, topographic surveying, geotechnical investigation, preparation of construction documents, and development of project specifications for both the new WTP and the associated 16-inch transmission main.

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

The project will provide citizens with a fully designed, permitted, and shovel-ready WTP and transmission main, enabling the City to move into construction and ultimately deliver improved water quality, reliable system pressure, enhanced fire protection, and long-term system resiliency.

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

The project will serve approximately 3,600 residents, along with the broader utility service area that includes local businesses, schools, commercial corridors, Hamilton County Correctional Institute, and critical facilities. The improved water treatment capacity and reliability will support future residential development and commercial investment, benefiting both current and projected populations.

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

The project will result in completed design and permitting packages that position the City to begin construction of a modern, resilient WTP and transmission main. Success will be measured by obtaining regulatory approvals, completion of all design deliverables, and readiness to proceed to construction, which will ultimately support improved water quality, system reliability, pressure, and fire protection.

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?

In addition to standard penalties, the contracting agency may consider withholding payment for incomplete or unsatisfactory deliverables, as well as exercising Performance and Payment Bonds to ensure successful project completion.

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



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

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

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) Rural Infrastructure Fund
- ☐ 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?



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WTP portion in design; Awaiting construction funding

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2028

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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