



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1831

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) – Sewer Force Main Rehabilitation project will extend the lifespan and improve the reliability of aging wastewater force mains along Capital Circle Northeast. Using trenchless CIPP technology, the project will reinforce existing pipe segments from within, reducing the need for full replacement, minimizing service disruption, and preventing potential leaks or overflows. This improvement strengthens wastewater system resiliency, protects environmental and public health, and supports long-term infrastructure stability for Tallahassee and surrounding communities.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

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)	3,000,000	33%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	6,000,000	67%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	9,000,000	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.



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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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

01/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2026

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

Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded through the City of Tallahassee's Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, which is supported by utility rate revenue dedicated to sustaining the wastewater system.

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.

The facility is owned by the City of Tallahassee, which owns and operates the wastewater utility system. The City will directly receive and manage any fixed capital outlay funding, and will be responsible for implementation, maintenance, and long-term operation of the improved infrastructure.

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 be used for construction and engineering associated with installing Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining, including pipe preparation, structural lining, inspection, and design services needed to rehabilitate the existing wastewater force mains.	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The project will rehabilitate aging wastewater force mains using Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) technology to extend pipe life, prevent failures and overflows, and protect public health and the environment. This will improve system reliability, reduce emergency repair costs, and strengthen long-term infrastructure resiliency.

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

Activities include preparing, lining, and rehabilitating existing wastewater force mains using Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) technology. Services will include pipe cleaning, inspection, structural lining, curing, and post-construction testing, along with necessary engineering and project management to ensure system reliability and long-term performance.

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

The project will provide citizens with reliable and uninterrupted wastewater service by reducing the risk of pipe failures and sewer overflows. This helps protect public health, prevent environmental contamination, and ensure the community continues to receive safe and dependable utility services.

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

The target population includes all residents, businesses, and institutions served by the City of Tallahassee's wastewater system. The project is expected to benefit over 200,000 people by ensuring reliable wastewater service and protecting public health and the environment across the service area.

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 improve reliability of the wastewater system, extend the life of aging force mains, and reduce the risk of sewer overflows and environmental contamination, enhancing public health and system resiliency. Success will be measured by tracking reductions in pipe failures, emergency repairs, and overflow incidents, along with improved system performance and regulatory compliance.

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?

The requested funding would be returned to the appropriate state agency.

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#:



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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)
- ☒ 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?

The project is shovel-ready and scheduled to begin after January 1, 2026.

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2026

22. Requester Contact Information

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c. Organization Type

- ☐ For Profit Entity
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☒ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (please specify)

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