



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1926

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funds will support design and permitting for Phase 3 of Lady Lake's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) expansion. The project will increase capacity to 3.0 MGD, implement advanced wastewater treatment (AWT), and expand reclaimed water capabilities. These upgrades address rapid growth and capacity constraints, enhance nutrient removal, and ensure compliance with the Silver Springs (SILV) and Upper Ocklawaha (OKLA) BMAPs, protecting regional water quality and supporting sustainable development.

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        | 2,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 2,000,000 |

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) | 2,000,000 | 98%        |
| Matching Funds                                 |           |            |
| Federal  | 0         | 0%         |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)   | 0         | 0%         |
| Local  | 42,500    | 2%         |
| Other  | 0         | 0%         |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027  | 2,042,500 | 100%       |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>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?

07/01/2027

##### 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?

Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded through the Town's Wastewater Utility Enterprise Fund, supported by wastewater user rates, reclaimed water revenues and system capacity fees.

#### 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           |
|--|---|------------------|
| <b>Administrative Costs:</b>   |   |                  |
| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits                    |   | 0                |
| Other Salary and Benefits  |   | 0                |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |   | 0                |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |   | 0                |
| <b>Operational Costs</b>   |   |                  |
| Salary and Benefits  |   | 0                |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |   | 0                |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |   | 0                |
| <b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>                    |   |                  |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering                      | Funds will support design and permitting for Phase III of Lady Lake's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) expansion. Work includes preparation of engineering drawings, technical specifications, and permit applications to expand treatment capacity to 3.0 MGD, implement AWT processes, and increase reclaimed water capabilities. | 2,000,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |   | <b>2,000,000</b> |

#### 13. Program Performance

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

The funds will support design and permitting for Phase 3 of the Town's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) expansion, which will increase capacity to 3.0 MGD, implement advanced wastewater treatment (AWT), and expand reclaimed water capabilities. The improvements are needed to address rapid population growth, meet regulatory nutrient limits, and ensure long-term compliance with the Silver Springs (SILV) and Upper Ocklawaha (OKLA) BMAPs.



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

Activities will include engineering design, environmental and regulatory permitting, process and hydraulic modeling, site investigations, development of construction plans and technical specifications, cost estimating, and preparation of bid documents. These services will advance the project to construction readiness and ensure all regulatory requirements are addressed.

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

The project will provide the community with a fully designed and permitted expansion of the WRF, enabling the Town to move forward with construction of additional treatment capacity, AWT processes, and reclaimed water improvements. This will support reliable wastewater service, protect groundwater and springs, and ensure adequate capacity for existing and future customers.

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

The project will serve the Town of Lady Lake's approximately 17,000 residents, as well as future residential and commercial developments in the Town's rapidly growing utility service area. Beneficiaries also include surrounding communities and users of the regional springs and surface waters protected by improved wastewater treatment.

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

Expected Outcomes: Improved wastewater treatment performance, increased capacity to 3.0 MGD, enhanced nutrient removal to support BMAP compliance, and expanded reclaimed water capabilities to reduce potable water demand. Method of Measurement: Evaluation of projected treatment capacity, modeled AWT effluent concentrations, BMAP compliance tracking, and updated reclaimed water utilization and potable-offset estimates.

**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 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

**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) 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?

Awaiting design and construction funding

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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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

*The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.*