

The Florida House of Representatives
Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2024-25
For projects meeting the definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Flagler County Septic to Sewer Conversions and Water Treatment Expansion
2. Date of Submission: 11/09/2023
3. House Member Sponsor: Ryan Chamberlin

4. Details of Amount Requested:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request.

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2023-24 <i>(If appropriated in 2023-24 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2024-25 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Recurring Funds	Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated	Recurring Base Budget	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds
Input Amounts:					20,263,975	20,263,975

e. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2024-25 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request	20,263,975	100.0%	N/A
2. Federal	0	0.0%	No
3. State (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local	0	0.0%	No

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5. Other	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	20,263,975	100%	

5. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

No

6. Which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue requested? Department of Environmental Protection

a. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? No

b. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

Forfeiture of state funds.

7. Requester:

a. Name: Heidi Petito

b. Organization: Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

c. Email: hpetito@flaglercounty.gov

d. Phone #: (386)313-4001

8. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project.

a. Name: Heidi Petito

b. Organization: Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

c. Email: hpetito@flaglercounty.gov

d. Phone #: (362)313-4001

9. Registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project.

a. Name: T. Martin, Jr. Fiorentino

b. Firm: The Fiorentino Group

c. Email: toni@thefiorentinogroup.com

d. Phone #: (904)358-2757

10. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

a. Name: Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

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b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Flagler

c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Flagler

11. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds?

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- School District
- State Agency
- University or College
- Other (Please describe)

12. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

To allow for extra capacity and new connections to move current businesses and home communities from septic to sewer and provide connections to water. It will also encourage new commercial and residential growth along the US 1 corridor in Flagler County, which will help to diversify the tax base and reduce the tax burden to residents and allow for more affordable or workforce housing.

13. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Amount Requested (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter "0" if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		

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<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Septic to Sewer Conversion for 44 dwellings and extension of service along US 1 (\$10,643,805) Water distribution for 44 dwellings and extension of service along US 1 (\$9,620,170)	20,263,975
TOTAL		20,263,975

14. For Fixed Capital Costs requested in Question 13, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete?

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- School District
- State Agency
- University or College
- Other (Please describe): The Florida Governmental Utility Authority/FGUA will provide water and sewer service to this area.

15. Is the project request an information technology project?

16. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

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a. Please Describe:

Board of County Commissioners at a Board Meeting as part of a public hearing and identified as their top project. We also have support from FGUA to provide service for the identified 44 dwellings and future dwellings and businesses along the US 1 corridor in Flagler County. Representative from FGUA also spoke at the delegation meeting confirming support.

17. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

Yes

a. Please Describe:

The Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA) provided the breakdown of costs to convert septic to sewer and provide water distribution to the 44 dwellings and extend along the US 1 corridor.

18. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

19. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit or outcome
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality	Reduced Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus loads entering the intracoastal waterway.	Determining the reduction in current and future septic systems and the known nutrient load per system provides a means to

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		measure the success of the central sewer system.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Reduction in Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus loads entering the environment.	Determining the reduction in current and future septic systems and the known nutrient load per system provides a means to measure the success of the central sewer system.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Improves development opportunities along the US 1 corridor in the unincorporated area of Flagler County.	The use of real estate values will measure the economic benefit of additional development in this area.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	Once the project is complete there are both commercial and industrial opportunities along the US 1 corridor which will bring job opportunities to the area and specifically for those working in the affordable housing communities built as a result of these improvements.	The use of unemployment numbers in Flagler County along with number of jobs created by each business opening along the US 1 corridor as a result of the improvements.
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		

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<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management	Increased ability to plan for pumping and force main capacity for future wastewater flows in service territory.	Increased knowledge of number of properties available to be platted and developed to connect to central wastewater system.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality	Reduced Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus loads entering the environment.	Determining the reduction in current and future septic systems and the known nutrient load per system provides a means to measure the success of the central sewer system.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality	With the improvements and extension of water distribution to the area it will reduce number of wells in current dwellings and for future residential home communities and businesses along the US 1 corridor.	By extending the water distribution to an area currently unserved we should see an increase in the number of affordable or workforce housing units built and an increase in the businesses for this area.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality	Reduced Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus loads entering the intracoastal waterway.	Determining the reduction in current and future septic systems and the known nutrient load per system provides a means to measure the success of the central sewer system.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		
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20. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- a. Wastewater Revolving Loan
- b. Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- c. Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- d. Other (Please describe)
- e. N/A

21. What is the population economic status?

- a. Financially Disadvantaged Municipality
- b. Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern
- c. Rural Community Experiencing Economic Distress
- d. N/A

22. What is the status of construction?

- a. Ready
- b. Not Ready

23. What percentage of construction has been completed?

0%

24. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2026