

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Lehigh Acres GS 10 Flooding Land Acquisition
2. Date of Submission: 11/06/2017
3. House Member Sponsor: Matt Caldwell
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is ?No? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- 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 2017-18 <i>(If appropriated in 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2018-19 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:					4,000,000	4,000,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2018-19? No
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency?
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Department of Environmental Protection
 - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? Yes
 - 5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

The Department may terminate the agreement at any time if the warranty made by the Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District is false or misleading, or in the event of the failure of the District to fulfill any of its obligations under the agreement. In those events, no payments would be made for deliverables deemed unsatisfactory by the Department.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: David Lindsay
- b. Organization: Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District
- c. Email: dlindsay@la-msid.com
- d. Phone #: (239)368-0044

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

- a. Name: David Lindsay
- b. Organization: Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District
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- d. Phone #: (239)368-0044

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: David Ramba
- b. Firm: Ramba Consultants
- c. Email: david@rambaconsulting.com
- d. Phone #: (850)443-4444

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Lee
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Hendry, Lee

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government

- University or College
- Other (Please describe) Chapter 189 - Special District

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

Land Acquisition for Water Resources - Flood Protection; inter-basin connection, storage, water quality and aquifer recharge. This project would provide significant stormwater storage for the Orange River, Hickey's Creek and Bedman's Creek basins by providing 2,000 acre-feet of water storage per year to catch and filter flood water and other storm-related events in the Lehigh Acres community and help reduce fresh water discharges to the estuary during the wet season.

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

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (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:		
<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	Land Purchase for 633.88 acres, from willing seller for storm and flood protection and storage of 2,000 acre-	4,000,000

	feet per year of stormwater.	
TOTAL		4,000,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

N/A

15. 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

15a. Please Describe:

We have major organizational backing from South Florida Water Management District and Lee County. There was a Public Hearing on October 16th, 2017. The Project has been on the agenda and discussed at several SFWMD Lehigh Acres/ Caloosahatchee Watershed Initiative Quarterly meetings.

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

Yes

16a. Please Describe:

The project is listed in LA-MSID's Capital Improvement Plan, the East County Water Control District Comprehensive Modeling Plan and the stormwater storage planning rain gauge. It is listed in the South Florida Water Management District's Caloosahatchee River Watershed Protection Plan (see attached).

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

N/A

18. 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
<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	633.88 Acres of preserving the existing habitat or created habitat. This purchase is the last opportunity to add significant storage without having to piece together numerous, quarter-acre lots from multiple owners to achieve a similar impact.	Purchase, design, permitting, construction and preservation of a maximum number of acres to ensure storm and flood protection.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Flood protection in number of acre-feet of water.	Documentation of elevation of water within the project area for three years following construction.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions	Keep storm and flood-related water off of area roadways.	Documentation of traffic and evacuation-related emergencies due to flooding and water build-up on roads.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism	Provide passive park and nature trails visits.	Documentation of the number of out-of-county visitors for three years

		following construction.
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management	Flood and storm protection in number of acre-feet of water reduced. Creates a functional, stormwater system connection between to two basins.	Documentation of elevation of water within the project area for three years following construction.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality	Total nitrogen and total phosphorus in groundwater monitoring wells.	Comparison of pre-construction and post-construction total nitrogen and total phosphorus in groundwater monitoring wells for three years following construction.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality	Storm and flooding discharges will flow through the natural filtration system, Greenbriar Swamp, to achieve superior water quality once this land is purchased.	Measurement of nutrient load reductions in water.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality	Documentation of kg of total nitrogen and total phosphorus removed from discharges from our District.	Comparison of nitrogen and phosphorus from inflows to Section 10 to discharges from Greenbriar Swamp for three years following construction.

<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		
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19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2018-19 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:	4,000,000	97.6%	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:	100,000	2.4%	Yes
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	4,100,000	100%	

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

Yes

20a. How much state funding would be requested after 2018-19 over the next 5 years?

- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M
- >10M

20b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- >= 5 years

20c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select ?ongoing activity?.

ongoing activity ? no total cost

<1M

1-3M

>3-10M

>10M

21. What is the revenue source of ongoing operating funds?

Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District Operating Fund

22. Has local approval been given for ongoing operating funds?

Yes

23. 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): Lee County 20/20 land acquisition funding.

e. N/A

24. Has project been addressed in a local, regional, or state plan?

Yes

24a. If Yes, insert plan name and cite page numbers.

South Florida Water Management District's Caloosahatchee River Basin Management Action Plan, Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District Capital Improvement Plan

25. Is the project for a financially disadvantaged community? (as defined in Chapter 62-552, F.A.C.)

No

26. 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

27. What is the status of planning?

- a. Ready
- b. Not Ready

28. What percentage of the planning process has been completed?

100%

29. What is the estimated planning completion date?

11/01/2016

30. What is the status of design?

- a. Ready
- b. Not Ready

31. What percentage of design has been completed?

10%

32. What is the estimated design completion date?

06/28/2018

33. List all required permits.

1) SFWMD - ERP 2) Army Corps 3) Lee County DO

34. What is the status of permitting?

- a. Planned
- b. Submitted
- c. Received

35. What is the status of construction?

- a. Ready
- b. Not Ready

36. What percentage of construction has been completed?

0%

37. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2020