

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Pinellas County Lake Seminole Sediment Removal and Restoration Project

2. Date of Submission: 02/01/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Chris Latvala

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

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 (Note that column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2016-17 (If appropriated in 2016-17 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2017-18 (Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited. Any additional Nonrecurring funding requested to supplement recurring funds in the base will result in the base recurring amount being converted to Nonrecurring .)		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non- vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring Request (Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D to be CONVERTED to Nonrecurring plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E. These funds will be appropriated non-recurring if funded in the House Budget or the Final Conference Report on the budget.)
Input Amounts:					10,000,000	10,000,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2017-18? 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? For example, if the requested issue pertains to services provided to inmates at correctional facilities, the Department of Corrections would be the most appropriate state agency. Department of Environmental Protection

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Kelli Levy
- b. Organization: Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
- c. Email: klevy@pinellascounty.org
- d. Phone #: (727)464-3317

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):

- a. Name: Kelli Levy
- b. Organization: Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
- c. Email: klevy@pinellascounty.org
- d. Phone #: (727)464-3317

8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. Name: Pete Dunbar
- b. Firm: Dean Mead Law Firm
- c. Email: pdunbar@deanmead.com
- d. Phone #: (850)999-4100

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):

- a. Name: Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Pinellas
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Pinellas

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)

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

This main goal of this project is to hydraulically dredge, de-water, and re-use/dispose of 903,500 cubic yards of accumulated organic sediments from the lake bottom. The ecological benefits of the removal of this organic sediment will improve water quality, fisheries habitat, and the overall health of the ecosystem. Further, this project will reduce the nutrient input into the downstream receiving bodies of Boca Ciega Bay and Tampa Bay.

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

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. F) 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	The funds will be utilized to implement the project consisting of dredging the problematic, organic sediments that contribute to water	10,000,000

	quality violations, dewatering the material, reuse and/or disposal of the dredged material, and site restoration. The project is shovel ready (designed and permitted).	
TOTAL		10,000,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (In Question 12, if ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was not selected, question 13 is not applicable)

- ☐ 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:

This project has been approved by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Reasonable Assurance Plan), the City of Seminole, and garners strong support from the community at large. Project is adopted in the County's Capital Improvement Program and an executed cooperative agreement with SWFWMD. We have supporting correspondence from the City of Seminole.

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:

Schelske, Claire (1991) Lake Seminole Sediment Characterization and Analysis, University of Florida. Documented internal nutrient loads from sediments.

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 all 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	1. Reduced and/or elimination of blue-green algae blooms. 2. Improved water quality 3. Improved habitat	Pinellas County monitors water quality, algae, and habitat communities routinely and will continue which offers the ability to demonstrate conditions before, during, and after project completion.
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Lake Seminole historically was a destination lake for bass fishing tournaments. Due to the decline in	Document fishing activity on the lake and number of events held.

	water quality, there have been no tournaments in over 15 years.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<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	The lake contributes an estimated 5.9 tons of Total Nitrogen annually into the receiving water-bodies. This would reduce annual loads to Long Bayou and Boca Ciega Bay by an estimated 56%.	Portions of dredge organic sediments will be tested to determine actual nutrient (phosphorus and nitrogen) removal.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality	The removal of the organic sediments, based on pre-construction sediment sampling, is expected to eliminate 54 tons of Total Phosphorus and 311 tons of Total Nitrogen from the lake proper.	Portions of dredge organic sediments will be tested to determine actual nutrient (phosphorus and nitrogen) removal.
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2017-18 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total (Automatically Calculates)	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	10,000,000	100.0%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	Yes
4. Local:	0	0.0%	Yes
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	10,000,000	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 2017-18 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
- ☐ 1-2M
- ☐ >2-3M
- ☐ >3-10M
- ☒ >10M

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

Ad valorem, stormwater fee, gas tax

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): Southwest Florida Water Management District Cooperative Funding Program
- ☐ 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.

Lake Seminole Watershed Management Plan (2001)- Pages 4-30 to 4-34

25. Is the project for a financially disadvantaged community?

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?
April, 1, 2016

30. What is the status of design?
☒a. Ready
☐b. Not Ready

31. What percentage of design has been completed?
100%

32. What is the estimated design completion date?
April 1, 2016

33. List all required permits.
Florida Department of Environmental Management Environmental Resource Permit

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?
December 31, 2022