

# Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

## For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Okeechobee Utility Authority Treasure Island Septic to Sewer

2. Date of Submission: 10/30/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Cary Pigman

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 (If appropriated in 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2018-19 (Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)		
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 plus Recurring Base Funds  (Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)
Input Amounts:					3,500,000	3,500,000

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.

## Non-payment of invoices

### 6. Requester:

- a. Name: John Hayford
- b. Organization: Okeechobee Utility Authority
- c. Email: jhayford@ouafl.com
- d. Phone #: (863)763-9460

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

- a. Name: John Hayford
- b. Organization: Okeechobee Utility Authority
- c. Email: jhayford@ouafl.com
- d. Phone #: (863)763-9460

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

- a. Name: Connie Vanassche
- b. Firm: CAS Governmental Services, LLC
- c. Email: casgovser@gmail.com
- d. Phone #: (561)512-0089

### 9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

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

### 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) Special District

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

Removal of 2400 old/failing private septic tanks & failing package wastewater plants leaching septic effluent into State waters, Lake Okeechobee & surrounding area estuaries. Construction of a centralized sewer system includes 70,000 linear feet piping, 80 valves, 450 collection tanks, 2 vacuum/pump stations. Augments EPA/FDEP/SFWMD water quality rules, cleanup, restoration & water policies.

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	Contractual engineering & construction services	3,500,000
TOTAL		3,500,000

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): Special District

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:

Letter of support: 16 County Lake Okeechobee Coalition, Okeechobee Delegation meeting, January 6, 2017; City of Okeechobee Council & Okeechobee Board of County Commission

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

No

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	Reduction of pollutants entering water sources	Removal of 2400 septic tanks and conversion to central sewer system and measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth,

		algal blooms & aquatic degradation.
<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	Project provides for a safe means to dispose of wastewater	Removal of 2400 septic tank systems & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth, algal blooms & aquatic degradation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Project provides for a safe means to dispose of wastewater	Removal of 2400 septic tank systems & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth, algal blooms & aquatic degradation
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Employs Floridians, infrastructure addresses economic development for the east side of the town where a special needs hurricane multi-use shelter is planned on County owned property at the Agri-Civic Center which will also be used to host income producing events, i.e., agricultural related educational/training, events, concerts, art/crafts festivals	Project maintains employment; increase in revenues once infrastructure & shelter are completed, tracking of events & attendees.

<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management	Improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State waters, increased service and Removal of 2400 septic tanks & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water, increased service & reliability	Removal of 2400 septic tanks systems & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth, algal blooms & aquatic degradation
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality	Reduced runoff pollutants entering water sources	Removal of 2400 septic tank systems & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth, algal blooms & aquatic degradation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality	Improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State waters, increased service & reliability by the removal of 2400 septic tanks off Taylor Creek	Removal of 2400 septic tank systems & conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality. Nutrient reduction leads to less emergent vegetation growth, algal blooms & aquatic degradation
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): Improves Lake Okeechobee water quality	Improves water quality flowing to coastal ecosystems - Indian River Lagoon, St. Lucie Canal & Caloosahatchee River	Reduction of green algae events & aquatic vegetation & measuring subsequent water quality.
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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:	3,500,000	14.7%	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:	1,000,000	4.2%	No
5. Other:	19,360,200	81.1%	No
TOTAL	23,860,200	100%	

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

No

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

Operating Budget

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)
- ☒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.

Okeechobee Utility Authority Wastewater Master Plan, page 59 and 64

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

Yes

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?

10/04/2016

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?  
10/14/2017
33. List all required permits.  
SFWMD/DEP/Health Department
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?  
12/31/2021