## **Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21**

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Okeechobee Utility Authority Pine Ridge Park Septic to Sewer Project

2. Date of Submission: 11/14/2019

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? Yes

  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? 2016-17
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2019-20 (If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			(Reque	Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 sts for additional RECURRING funds ar	e prohibited.)
Column:	Α	В	С	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:					1,250,000	1,250,000

- 5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? 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 outstanding invoices, implementation of the corrective action plan, invoking the public construction bond or performance bond

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a. Name: Steven Nelson

b. Organization: Okeechobee Utility Authority

c. Email: khamblen@ouafl.com

d. Phone #: (863)763-9460

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

a. Name: Steven Nelson

b. Organization: Okeechobee Utility Authority

c. Email: <a href="mailto:khamblen@ouafl.com">khamblen@ouafl.com</a> 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: <a href="mailto:ccvgovser@gmail.com">ccvgovser@gmail.com</a>
  - 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)
  - O For Profit
  - O Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - O Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Government
  - O University or College

O Other (Please describ	e)
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## 11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

Removal of 80 old/failing septic tanks in low, flat & poorly drained area. Septic drainfields are compromised when the area is wet. The eastern area properties don't have a community potable water system & rely on wells for potable water, which are in close proximity to septic tank drain fields & public health becomes a serious issue. The OUA intends to put water mains in the area to serve these properties & add fire hydrants for fire protection.

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:		
□a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
□b. Other Salary and Benefits		
□c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
□d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
□e. Salaries and Benefits		
☐f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
□g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
☑h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Contractual engineering, design, permitting, construction & construction services/inspections	1,250,000
TOTAL		1,250,000

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)		
OFor Profit		

ONon Profit 501(c) (3)

ONon Profit 501(c) (4)

OLocal Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)

OState agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)

OOther (Please describe)

- 14. Is the project request an information technology project?
- 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:

Okeechobee Utility Authority Board Meeting; Okeechobee Delegation Hearing; project submitted to FDEP Lake Okeechobee BMAP update

- 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:

Engineering Technical Report; Local Master Plan; FDEP Lake Okeechobee BMAP update

- 17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?
- 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
☑Improve physical health	Removal of 80 septic systems & adding to regional system;	Conversion to centralized sewer system & measuring subsequent

	addressing Court Order to bring the system into compliance; adding water mains & fire hydrants for fire protection	water quality; provides for an environmentally safe means to dispose of wastewater that meets or exceeds statutorily required limits, increased service, reliability
□Improve mental health		
□Enrich cultural experience		
□Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
□Improve quality of education		
☑Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality	Removal of 80 old/failing septic systems estimated to remove 0.75 tons per year of nitrogen & 0.25 tons per year of phosphorus & adding to a regional system; provides for a safe means to process wastewater treatment	Conversion to centralized sewer system & measuring subsequent water; provides for an environmentally safe means to dispose of wastewater that meets or exceeds statutorily required limits, increased service, reliability
☑Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Provides for safe means to process wastewater effluent with the removal of 80 old/failing septic systems estimated to remove 0.75 tons per year of nitrogen & 0.25 tons per year of phosphorus & adding to regional system; addressing Court Order to bring system into compliance; adding water mains & fire hydrants for fire protection.	Conversion to central sewer system & measuring subsequent water quality
□Improve transportation conditions		
□Increase or improve economic activity		

□Increase tourism		
□Create specific immediate job opportunities		
□Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
□Reduce recidivism		
□Reduce substance abuse		
□Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
☑Improve wastewater management	Removal of 80 old/failing septic systems estimated to remove 0.75 tons per year of nitrogen & 0.25 tons per year of phosphorus & adding to a regional system; provides for a safe means to process wastewater treatment; improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State waters, increased service & reliability. Compliance with permitting agencies.	80 new conversions to centralized sewer system; provides for an environmentally safe means to dispose of wastewater that meets or exceeds statutorily required limits, increased service, reliability & measuring subsequent water quality.
□Improve stormwater management		
☑Improve groundwater quality	Removal of runoff pollutants entering water sources; compliance with permitting agencies; addressing Court Order to bring system into compliance.	Improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State waters, increased service, reliability, removing 80 old/failing septic systems & adding 80 new connections to regional system.
☑Improve drinking water quality	Improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State waters, increased service & reliability; compliance with permitting agencies; addressing Court Order to bring	Conversion to centralized wastewater treatment system & measuring subsequent water quality; improved water quality with reduction of pollutants entering critical State

	system into compliance	waters, increased service, reliability, removing 80 old/failing septic stems & adding 80 new conversions to regional system
☑Improve surface water quality	Reduction of contaminants leaching into the environment; addressing Court Order to bring system into compliance.	Conversion to centralized wastewater treatment system & measuring subsequent water quality
□Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 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?
Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations     Project Request:	1,250,000	83.3%	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:	250,000	16.7%	Yes
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	1,500,000	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? 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. Local Master Plan; FDEP Lake Okeechobee BMAP update
25.	Is the project for a financially disadvantaged community? (as defined in Chapter 62-552, F.A.C.) $\underline{\text{Yes}}$
26.	What is the population economic status? Oa. Financially Disadvantaged Municipality Ob. Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern Oc. Rural Community Experiencing Economic Distress Od. N/A
27.	What is the status of planning? ○a. Ready ⊙b. Not Ready
28.	What percentage of the planning process has been completed? 50
29.	What is the estimated planning completion date? 6/30/2020

- 30. What is the status of design?
  - Oa. Ready
  - ⊙b. Not Ready
- 31. What percentage of design has been completed?
- 32. What is the estimated design completion date? 12/31/2020
- 33. List all required permits. FDEP, SFWMD
- 34. What is the status of permitting?
  - ⊙a. Planned
  - Ob. Submitted
  - Oc. Received
- 35. What is the status of construction?
  - Oa. Ready
  - ⊙b. Not Ready
- 36. What percentage of construction has been completed? 0
- 37. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 12/31/2022