



# United States Department of the Interior

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
Caribbean-Florida Water Science Center  
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Tampa, FL 33617

April 06, 2026

Mr. Alex Manos  
Environmental Specialist II  
Pinellas County  
22211 US Highway 19 North, Building 6  
Clearwater, FL 33765

Dear Mr. Manos:

Enclosed is our standard joint-funding agreement **26MCJFA0030** between the U.S. Geological Survey Caribbean-Florida Water Science Center and Pinellas County for negotiated deliverables (see attached), during the period May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027 in the amount of \$195,574.00 from your agency. U.S. Geological Survey contributions for this agreement are \$71,726.00 for a combined total of \$267,300.00. Please sign and return one fully-executed original to Budget and Finance at [GS-W-CFWSC\\_Budget\\_Team@usgs.gov](mailto:GS-W-CFWSC_Budget_Team@usgs.gov) or mail to the address above.

Federal law requires that we have a signed agreement before we start or continue work. Please return the signed agreement by **May 1, 2026**. If, for any reason, the agreement cannot be signed and returned by the date shown above, please contact Corin Downs at (813) 224-5062 or email [cdowns@usgs.gov](mailto:cdowns@usgs.gov) to make alternative arrangements.

This is a fixed cost agreement to be billed quarterly via Down Payment Request (automated Form DI-1040). Please allow 30-days from the end of the billing period for issuance of the bill. If you experience any problems with your invoice(s), please contact Budget and Finance at [GS-W-CFWSC\\_Budget\\_Team@usgs.gov](mailto:GS-W-CFWSC_Budget_Team@usgs.gov).

The results of all work performed under this agreement will be available for publication by the U.S. Geological Survey. We look forward to continuing this and future cooperative efforts in these mutually beneficial water resources studies.

Sincerely,

Dorothy F. Sifuentes, PhD  
Director, Caribbean-Florida Water Science Center

**Form 9-1366  
(May 2018)**

**U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Joint Funding Agreement  
FOR  
Water Resource Investigations**

**Customer #: 6000001063  
Agreement #: 26MCJFA0030  
Project #: MC00E2A  
TIN #: 59-6000800  
ASWS: WMA-2026-386**

**Fixed Cost Agreement YES[ X ] NO[ ]**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of May 1, 2026, by the **U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, CARIBBEAN-FLORIDA WATER SCIENCE CENTER**, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, party of the first part, and **PINELLAS COUNTY** party of the second part.

1. The parties hereto agree that subject to the availability of appropriations and in accordance with their respective authorities there shall be maintained in cooperation the annual Data Collection Program – Scope of Work (SOW) in attachments, herein called the program. The USGS legal authority is 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50, and 43 USC 50b.

2. The following amounts shall be contributed to cover all of the cost of the necessary field and analytical work directly related to this program. 2(b) include In-Kind-Services in the amount of \$0.00

- (a) \$71,726.00 by the party of the first part during the period May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027
- (b) \$195,574.00 by the party of the second part during the period May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027
- (c) Contributions are provided by the party of the first part through other USGS regional or national programs, in the amount of: \$0.00
- (d) Additional or reduced amounts by each party during the above period or succeeding periods as may be determined by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.
- (e) The performance period may be changed by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.

3. The costs of this program may be paid by either party in conformity with the laws and regulations respectively governing each party.

4. The field and analytical work pertaining to this program shall be under the direction of or subject to periodic review by an authorized representative of the party of the first part.

5. The areas to be included in the program shall be determined by mutual agreement between the parties hereto or their authorized representatives. The methods employed in the field and office shall be those adopted by the party of the first part to insure the required standards of accuracy subject to modification by mutual agreement.

6. During the course of this program, all field and analytical work of either party pertaining to this program shall be open to the inspection of the other party, and if the work is not being carried on in a mutually satisfactory manner, either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice to the other party.

7. The original records resulting from this program will be deposited in the office of origin of those records. Upon request, copies of the original records will be provided to the office of the other party.

8. The maps, records or reports resulting from this program shall be made available to the public as promptly as possible. The maps, records or reports normally will be published by the party of the first part. However, the party of the second part reserves the right to publish the results of this program, and if already published by the party of the first part shall, upon request, be furnished by the party of the first part, at cost, impressions suitable for purposes of reproduction similar to that for which the original copy was prepared. The maps, records or reports published by either party shall contain a statement of the cooperative relations between the parties. The Parties acknowledge that scientific information and data developed as a result of the Scope of Work (SOW) are subject to applicable USGS review, approval, and release requirements, which are available on the USGS Fundamental Science Practices website (<https://www.usgs.gov/office-of-science-quality-and-integrity/fundamental-science-practices>).

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9. Billing for this agreement will be rendered quarterly. Invoices not paid within 60 days from the billing date will bear Interest, Penalties, and Administrative cost at the annual rate pursuant the Debt Collection Act of 1982, (codified at 31 U.S.C. § 3717) established by the U.S. Treasury.

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United States  
Department of Interior

Pinellas County

Signature

Signatures

By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: **4/6/2026**  
Name: Dorothy F. Sifuentes, PhD  
Title: Director, Caribbean-Florida WSC

By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
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By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

February 6, 2026

**PINELLAS COUNTY**  
(May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027)

STATION NUMBER	STATION NAME	Surface Water	2027 Rain	Details
02307359	BROOKER CREEK NR TARPON SPRINGS (DCP, discharge funded by SWFWMD)	2,200	0	upgrade to real-time
		0	2,200	rainfall
02307445	SOUTH BRANCH BROOKER CREEK	20,500	0	discharge
02307498	RAINGAGE AT S-551 (discharge funded by SWFWMD)	0	2,200	rainfall
02307668	ALLIGATOR CREEK BELOW BELCHER RD AT CLEARWATER	20,500	0	discharge
02307669	ALLIGATOR CREEK AT HWY 19 AT CLEARWATER	8,800	0	stage only
		0	2,200	rainfall
02307674	ALLIGATOR CREEK AT KAPOK PARK AT CLEARWATER	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
02307780	LONG BRANCH NEAR PINELLAS PARK	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
02307496	COW BRANCH AT LAKE ST GEORGE DR NR PALM HARBOR	20,500	0	discharge
02308889	SEMINOLE LAKE OUTLET	8,800	0	stage only
		0	2,200	rainfall
02308950	ST JOE CREEK AT 62ND ST NR PINELLAS PARK	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
02309200	RATTLESNAKE CREEK NEAR BELLEAIR	20,500	0	discharge
02309415	CURLEW CREEK AT EVANS RD NEAR DUNEDIN	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
02309421	CURLEW CREEK AT BELCHER ROAD	20,500	0	discharge
02309425	CURLEW CREEK AT COUNTY ROAD 1 NEAR OZONA	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
02309447	BEE BRANCH NEAR PALM HARBOR	20,500	0	discharge
		0	2,200	rainfall
		245,300	22,000	

**Pinellas County Engineering**

	Surface Water 2027	Rain 2027	Total 2027
Totals	245,300	22,000	267,300
Pinellas County Engineering	178,574	17,000	195,574
USGS Cooperative Matching Funds	66,726	5,000	71,726