



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Resilient Florida Grant Program Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Wastewater Collection System improvements for up to fourteen mobile home communities.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the Resilient Florida Grant Program Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Wastewater Collection System improvements for up to fourteen mobile home communities.

- Grant funding of \$25,000,000.00 for construction of critical wastewater infrastructure for up to fourteen mobile home communities to reduce impact from flooding.
- No matching funds required.
- Project will reduce inflow and infiltration and sanitary sewer overflows and lessen flood impacts on communities and local waterbodies.
- Wastewater systems improvements will increase the reliability of service during wet weather events.
- All work eligible for reimbursement must be complete, and all deliverables received by, June 30, 2026.
- Grant funding is budgeted under Mobile Home Communities Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements Project 005015A, included in the Capital Improvement Plan, funded by the American Rescue Plan Act Fund in the amount of \$13,879,000, and anticipated federal grants through the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund in the amount of \$29,066,000.

FDEP Agreement No. 22FRP09; in the amount of \$25,000,000.00; Agreement term ends on September 30, 2026; Authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need Practice

Superior Environmental Stewardship

3.3 Protect and improve the quality of our water, air, and other natural resources

3.5 Foster a sustainable and resilient community that is prepared for sea level rise and a changing climate

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.2 Invest in communities that need the most

4.4 Invest in infrastructure to meet current and future needs

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

5.4 Strive to exceed customer expectations

Summary:

Resilient Florida Grant Program funding from FDEP in the amount of \$25,000,000.00 for construction of critical wastewater infrastructure for up to fourteen (14) MHC's to reduce impacts from flooding. Resilient Florida Grant Program funds are being added to our ARPA funding for an overall project to demolish existing wastewater systems and reduce inflow and infiltration, sanitary sewer overflows, lessen flood impacts on communities, and local waterbodies.

Background Information:

Various MHC wastewater systems in the County are outdated and problematic. Many assets within these systems fail and pose costly risks to the residents and adverse effects to the environment. Improvements made to the wastewater systems of these flood-prone communities will increase the reliability of service during typical conditions and increase the resilience during wet weather events.

Fiscal Impact:

FDEP grant funding in the amount of \$25,000,000.00 for construction. No County match is required.

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Staff Member Responsible:

Jeremy Waugh, Director, Utilities

Partners:

FDEP

Attachments:

Agreement