

# Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

## For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Manatee County - Robinson Preserve Habitat Restoration

2. Date of Submission: 10/31/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Joe Gruters

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### 4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- 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*
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? Yes
- Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 <i>(If appropriated in 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2018-19 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated  <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget  <i>(Will equal non- vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	<b>Additional Nonrecurring Request</b>	<b>TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds</b>  <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:		600,000	600,000		600,000	600,000

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? Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

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.

Manatee County will place performance deadlines and standards on its contract with the restoration contractor

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Charlie Hunsicker
- b. Organization: Manatee County Government - Manatee County Parks and Natural Resources
- c. Email: charlie.hunsicker@mymanatee.org
- d. Phone #: (941)742-5923

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

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- c. Email: charlie.hunsicker@mymanatee.org
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8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Cari Roth
- b. Firm: Dean, Mead and Dunbar
- c. Email: croth@deanmead.com
- d. Phone #: (850)270-5516

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Manatee County Government
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Manatee
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Hillsborough, Manatee, Pinellas, Sarasota

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?

The goal of this project is to achieve habitat restoration and public recreation through a sustainable balance of passive use access improvements and ecological enhancement. The project is located at the confluence of Sarasota and Tampa Bays, both federally recognized estuaries of national significance, and is supported by the both respective national estuary program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plans (CCMP) for benefits to habitats, fisheries, wildlife, education, and outreach.

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	Habitat restoration and public use amenities.	600,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>600,000</b>

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)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

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:

Project has received strong public support as documented in numerous support letters from local and regional stakeholders. Intensive public feedback was acquired as part of the RESTORE Act Direct Component MYIP review process through U.S. Dept of Treasury resulting in extensive positive feedback from the public.

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?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

Re-grading disturbed land, restoration of natural habitats, and construction of educational and recreational amenities.

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

Project will result in restoration of natural habitats, increased water quality treatment, fisheries enhancements, increased access for outdoor recreation, fitness amenities, and preservation and enhancement of cultural heritage.

17c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., "the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups.").

Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students
- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)
- Other (Please describe)

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

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 type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Preserve patrons will experience restored habitats that historically existed in coastal Manatee County and are intertwined with a local cultural heritage valuing natural landscapes.	Outcomes will be measured by biannual traffic counts of people visiting the preserves.
<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	Habitat Restoration will be measured in acres of habitat improved.	Method for measuring level of benefit will be by qualitative analysis of plant communities with monitoring performed by Manatee County Staff
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism	Over 300,000 visitor days recorded at the existing Preserve will increase upon completion of the expansion parcel.	Biannual traffic counts entering the Preserve.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	Contract labor will be employed for restoration landscape plantings.	Contractor labor figures from contractual laborers.
<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	Reestablishment of desirable native vegetation will aid in nutrient uptake and storm water infiltration prior to discharge into surface waters.	Benefits are assumed based on available science and regulatory practices. Measurement of benefit will be by acres of restored habitat.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality	Reestablishment of desirable native vegetation will aid in nutrient uptake and storm water filtration prior to recharging surficial groundwater, which in turn interacts with tidal exchange.	Benefits are assumed based on available science and regulatory practices. Measurement of benefit will be by acres of restored habitat.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality	Reestablishment of desirable native vegetation will aid in nutrient uptake and storm water infiltration prior to tidal exchange with class III high quality coastal waters.	Benefits are assumed based on available science and regulatory practices. Measurement of benefit will be by acres of restored habitat.
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

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:	600,000	3.4%	N/A
2. Federal:	2,270,946	13.0%	No

3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	7,371,034	42.1%	Yes
5. Other:	7,282,000	41.6%	Yes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,523,980</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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

No