

Springs Coast Steering Committee

FY2023 FDEP Springs Funding Land Acquisition Criteria

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Southwest Florida
Water Management District

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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Water Quality Criteria

Category	Ranking	Definition	Criteria
SPRING INFORMATION	High	All three criteria apply	1-Benefitting spring an OFS?
	Medium	Only 2 criteria apply	2-Project location within a BMAP Boundary?
	Low	Only 1 or none of the criteria apply	3-Project location within a PFA boundary?
PROJECT BENEFIT	High	Top 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by descending order for Nitrogen Reduction
	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications	
COST EFFECTIVENESS	High	Top 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by ascending order for the estimated cost per pound of TN removed
	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications	
RELATED STRATEGIES	High	Project meets at least one of the criteria	1-Project is listed in the BMAP list of projects or anticipated to be added in the next update
	Low	Project does not meet any of the criteria OR applicant does not require connection to available sewer	2-Benefitting spring has an existing MFL 3-Project is part of a specific water quality or water quantity improvement plan
LOCAL MATCH	High	Greater than 25%	Amount of local match
	Medium	Up to 25%	
	Low	None	
PROJECT READINESS	High	Construction is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	Project time frame
	Medium	Design is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	
	Low	Other elements must be addressed before design or construction may begin	

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Water Quantity Criteria

Category	Ranking	Definition	Criteria
SPRING INFORMATION	High	All three criteria apply	1-Benefitting spring an OFS?
	Medium	Only 2 criteria apply	2-Project location within a BMAP Boundary?
	Low	Only 1 or none of the criteria apply	3-Project location within a PFA boundary?
PROJECT BENEFIT	High	Top 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by descending order for calculated anticipated volume of water (MGD rounded to the nearest tenth)
	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications	
COST EFFECTIVENESS	High	Top 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by ascending order for the estimated cost per MGD of water made available
	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications	
RELATED STRATEGIES	High	Project meets at least one of the criteria	1-Project is listed in the BMAP list of projects or anticipated to be added in the next update
	Low	Project does not meet any of the criteria	2-Benefitting spring has an existing MFL 3-Project is part of a specific water quality or water quantity improvement plan
LOCAL MATCH	High	Greater than 25%	Amount of local match
	Medium	Up to 25%	
	Low	None	
PROJECT READINESS	High	Construction is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	Project time frame
	Medium	Design is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	
	Low	Other elements must be addressed before design or construction may begin	

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Proposed Land Acquisition Criteria

Category	Ranking	Definition	Criteria
SPRING INFORMATION	High	All 3 criteria apply	1-Benefitting spring an OFS? 2-Project location within a BMAP Boundary? 3-Project location within a PFA boundary?
	Medium	Only 2 criteria apply	
	Low	Only 1 or none of the criteria apply	
PROJECT BENEFIT	High	All 3 criteria apply	1-Parcel adjoins public lands or easements 2-Located within a high or medium recharge area 3-Land remains at low intensity or is reduced to a lower intensity of land use
	Medium	Only 2 criteria apply	
	Low	Only 1 or none of the criteria apply	
COST EFFECTIVENESS	High	Total funding request is at or less than the appraised value	Cost effectiveness
	Low	Total funding request is greater than the appraised value or appraisal not completed	
RELATED STRATEGIES	High	At least 4 of the criteria apply	1-Project is listed in the BMAP list of projects or anticipated to be added in the next update 2-Benefitting spring has an existing MFL 3-Project is part of a specific water quality or water quantity improvement plan 4-Land will be held in conservation in perpetuity 5-Land management plan is in place or will be in place at time of acquisition 6-Acquired land will have public access and/or public education components
	Medium	2-3 criteria apply	
	Low	Only 1 or none of the criteria apply	
LOCAL MATCH	High	Greater than 25%	Amount of local match
	Medium	Up to 25%	
	Low	None	
PROJECT READINESS	High	Acquisition is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	Project time frame
	Medium	Acquisition will start after Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	
	Low	Other elements must be addressed before land acquisition may begin	

Recommendation

Recommend approval of the FY2023 Springs Funding criteria for land acquisition.

FY 2023 Prioritization Matrix

Total Score for Project > 94: High
Total Score for Project 94 – 67: Medium
Total Score for Project < 67: Low



Prioritization Matrix		Weighting		7	10	10	5	3	5		
		Highest Score		High	High	High	High	High	High	120	
		Lowest Score		Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	40	
Current Rank	Project Nmbr	Applicant	Project Name	SPRING INFORMATION	PROJECT BENEFIT	COST EFFECTIVENESS	RELATED STRATEGIES	LOCAL MATCH	PROJECT READINESS	Total Score	Overall Ranking
1	APP04	City of Inverness	South Highlands Septic to Sewer Project - Phase 1	Medium	Medium	High	High	Medium	Medium	95	HIGH
2	APP08	Florida Governmental Utility Authority	Chatmire Septic to Sewer Florida Governmental Utility Authority	High	High	Medium	High	Low	High	89	MEDIUM
3	APP06	Marion County	NW 44th Avenue Innovative Stormwater Retrofit	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	High	Medium	88	MEDIUM
4	APP02	Alachua Conservation Trust	GHC Farms, Inc.	Medium	High	Low	Medium	Medium	High	85	MEDIUM
5	APP01	Citrus County	Imperial Gardens Plant Interconnection	High	Low	Low	High	Low	Medium	69	MEDIUM