# **Springs** Coast Steering Committee

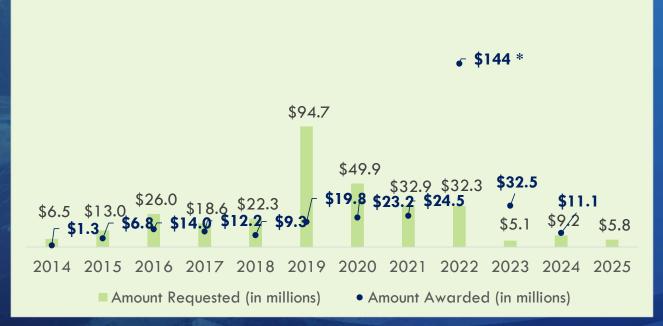
### FY2026 FDEP Springs Funding Preliminary Evaluations

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### **FY25 FDEP Request Summary**





\*Includes Springs and Wastewater Grant funding

#### Pre-Submittal Meetings/ Process Application

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		and emailed with the appr 5.00PM on October 6, 20		d map
1. Applicant Inf	ormation			
Entity Name:				
Is the Entity desi	gnated as an econom	ically disadvantaged com	munity? O Yes (	No
Project Manager	Name			
Project Manager	Address:			
Project Manager	Phone Number:			
Project Manager	Email Address:			
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2. Project Infor	mation			
Project Name:				
	Make Selection			
spreadsheet, co	ear funding request, pl mplete the form, and s	es No ease download the multiy end in with this application ate for the work that will b	a,	
	est (in MM/YYYY)?	are for the work that will b	e consistes unser	
Start Date:		End Date:		
f applicable, list	the anticipated start a	nd end dates for the desig	n and construction pha	ses (MMOYYYY)
Design		Construction		
Estimated desig	in completion at time of	of application (enter 0 if de	ision is not vet started	
	% complete			
Are permits req		No		
		e the required permits an	d the status at the time	

#### **Evaluation** al project cost: \$50,000,000 (Design, permitting, and o ant share: \$10,000,00 PROJECT INF Yes Benefitting spring is an OFST Yes Project located within the BMAP? Yes Project located within the PTA7 enefit for this wate Yes Project is listed in the BMAP list of projects or to be listed in the BMAP in the next update? Yes Benefitting spring has an MFL No Project is part of a specific water The project is anticip nt match is: Greater than 25 Votes: The project includes a local match in the amount a \$10,000,000, which is 20% of the total project cost construction is oncoine or will start before Dec 31 of the fit ng is being n ster. The se 10,000,000 10,000,000

Preliminary

#### Final Evaluation



### **FDEP FINAL SUBMISSION**

## Detailed FY2025 Timeline

	JUL '24	AUG '24	SEP '24	OCT '24	NOV '24	DEC '24	JAN '25
Important Dates		FDEP FY25 Project Selection Springs & CFI Apps Available	Pre-app Meetings GB Approves FY25 Budget	(4) Springs & CFI Apps Due			
SCMC	(10) Approve FY26 Funding Process & Meeting Dates			(23) Raw Applications Presented		(4) Preliminary Evals Review #1	(8) Preliminary Evals Review #2
scsc	(24) Approve FY26 Funding Process & Meeting Dates				(6) Raw Applications Presented		(22) Present Preliminary Evaluations
	FEB '25	MAR '25	APR '25	MAY '25	JUNE '25	JUL '25	AUG-SEP '25
Important Dates			(22) GB Approves FY25 Springs Funding Apps	FDEP receives approved final list	FDEP holds public input period		(AUG) FDEP FY26 Project Selection (SEP) GB Approves FY26 Budget
SCMC	(19) Final Evals Reviewed & Approved			(21) Springs Funding Lessons Learned		(9) Approve FY27 Funding Process & Meeting Dates	
SCSC		(5) Final Evals Reviewed & Approved				(23) Approve FY26 Funding Process & Meeting Dates	

#### Southwest Florida Water Management District

# Preliminary Evaluations & Rankings



## Water Quality Criteria

Category	Ranking	Definition	Criteria			
	High	All three criteria apply	1-Benefitting spring an OFS?			
SPRING INFORMATION	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?			
	High	Top 1/3 applications				
PROJECT BENEFIT	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by descending order for Nitrogen Reduction			
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i			
	High	Top 1/3 applications				
COST EFFECTIVENESS	Medium	Middle 1/3 applications	Applications sorted by ascending order for the estimated cost per pound of TN removed			
	Low	Bottom 1/3 applications				
	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			
RELATED STRATEGIES	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			
	High	Greater than 25%				
LOCAL MATCH	Medium	Up to 25%	Amount of local match			
	Low	None				
	High	Construction is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested				
PROJECT READINESS	Medium	Design is ongoing or will start before Dec 31 of the fiscal year funding is being requested	Project time frame			
	Low	Other elements must be addressed before design or construction may begin				

### FY2026 Prioritization Matrix

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

Driori	tization	Weighting	7	10	10	5	3	5		
		Highest Score		High	High	High	High	High	12	0
M	atrix	Lowest Score	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	40	
Current Rank	Project Nbr	Project Name	SPRING INFORMATION	PROJECT BENEFIT	COST EFFECTIVENESS	RELATED STRATEGIES	LOCAL MATCH	PROJECT	Total Score	Overall Ranking
1										
2	0									
3										
4	0								2	, 

## **Applications Received FY2026**

Unit Number	Applicant	Project	Nitrogen Reduction (lbs/yr)	FD	DEP Request	WMD Request	Local Match	Other Funding	Total
APP02	Hernando County	Private Package Plant Connections	1,241	\$	5,000,000	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 5,000,000
APP03	Hernando County	District A Phase 1	3,993	\$	19,504,643	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 19,504,643
APP04	Pasco County	Weeki Wachee Septic to Sewer Project <sup>^</sup>	2,310	\$	2,005,927	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 2,005,927
APP05	Pasco County	Wesley Chapel Center WWTP Expansion Phase <u>1</u>	27,648	\$	7,000,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	\$-	\$ 9,000,000
APP06	Pasco County	Aripeka Septic to Sewer^	767	\$	2,940,000	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 2,940,000
		^Multiyear request							
	Application Count:	5	35,959	\$	36,450,570	\$-	\$ 2,000,000	\$-	\$ 38,450,570

FY2026 FDEP Springs Funding Preliminary Evaluations

### FY2026 Springs Funding Evals Sorted by Project Benefit

Project	Applicant	Project Name	Project Benefit				
Number		•	lbs/yr TN	Rank	Score		
APP05	Pasco County	Wesley Chapel Center WWTP Expansion Phase 1	27,648	1	High		
APP03	Hernando County	District A Phase 1	3,993	2	Medium		
APP04	Pasco County	Weeki Wachee Septic to Sewer Project^	2,310	3	Medium		
APP02	Hernando County	Private Package Plant Connections	1,241	4	Medium		
APP06	Pasco County	Aripeka Septic to Sewer^	767	5	Low		

^Multiyear request

### FY2026 Springs Funding Evals Sorted by Cost Effectiveness

Project	Applicant	Project Name	Cost Effectiveness					
Number			/lbs of TN	Rank	Score			
APP05	Pasco County	Wesley Chapel Center WWTP Expansion Phase 1	\$ 11	1	High			
APP04	Pasco County	Weeki Wachee Septic to Sewer Project^	\$ 205	2	Medium			
APP02	Hernando County	Private Package Plant Connections	\$ 235	3	Medium			
APP03	Hernando County	District A Phase 1	\$ 301	4	Medium			
APP06	Pasco County	Aripeka Septic to Sewer^	\$ 2,013	5	Low			

^Multiyear request

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	ma	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	APP05	Pasco County	Wesley Chapel Center WWTP Expansion Phase 1	Medium	High	High	High	Medium	Medium	105	HIGH
	2	APP03	Hernando County	District A Phase 1	High	Medium	Medium	High	Low	High	94	MEDIUM
17 S	3	APP02	Hernando County	Private Package Plant Connections	High	Medium	Medium	High	Low	Medium	89	MEDIUM
	4	APP04	Pasco County	Weeki Wachee Septic to Sewer Project^	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	Low	Medium	82	MEDIUM
Rand The	5	APP06	Pasco County	Aripeka Septic to Sewer^	Medium	Low	Low	High	Low	Medium	62	LOW

<sup>^</sup>Multiyear request

# Project Overviews



### APP02 – Hernando County – Hernando County Private Package Plant Connections

Design, permitting, and construction of a sewer system to connect and decommission the Weeki Wachee North Mobile Home Park, Frontier Mobile Home Park, Topics RV Resort and Countryside Estates package plants to the Hernando County wastewater system. Connection fees are included in the funding request.

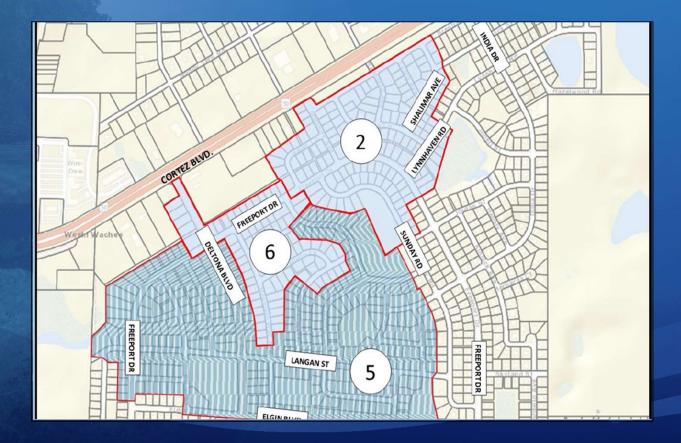
- Total project costs
  - \$8.75 mil total
  - Cost increase \$5 mil requested in FY26
- Benefits
  - 1,241 lbs/yr TN

### **APP03 – Hernando County – District A Phase 1**

Design and construction of a sanitary sewer collection system which will remove from service a minimum of 388 existing septic tanks. Impact and connection fees are included in the funding request.

- Total project costs
  - \$36 mil total
  - Cost increase \$19.5 mil all in FY26
- Benefits
  - 3,993 lbs/yr TN

## **APP03 – Hernando County – District A Phase 1**



### **APP03 – Hernando County – District A Phase 1**

Design and construction of a sanitary sewer collection system which will remove from service a minimum of 388 existing septic tanks. Impact and connection fees are included in the funding request.

- Total project costs
  - \$36 mil total
  - Cost increase \$19.5 mil all in FY26
- Benefits
  - 3,993 lbs/yr TN

### APP04 – Pasco County – Weeki Wachee Septic to Sewer Project

Design and construction of a sanitary sewer collection system which will remove from service a minimum of 242 existing septic tanks with the ability to service 24 vacant lots. Connection fees are not included in the funding request.

- Total project costs
  - \$14 mil total
  - \$2 mil all in FY26
- Benefits
  - 2,310 lbs/yr TN

### APP05 – Pasco County – Wesley Chapel Center WWTP Expansion Phase 1

Design, permitting, and construction for expansion of the existing 9 MGD, secondary treatment Wesley Center Subregional Wastewater Treatment Facility to a 13.5 MGD facility to meet flow increases and upgrade the plant to AWT quality treatment.

- Total project costs
  - \$9 mil total
  - \$7 mil requested in FY26, \$2 mil applicant share
- Benefits
  - 27,648 lbs/yr TN

### **APP06 – Pasco County – Aripeka Septic to Sewer**

Design, permitting, and construction for expansion of a sanitary sewer collection system which will remove from service a minimum of 128 residential septic tanks and decommission the Aripeka mobile home park package plant. Connection and impact fees are included in the funding request.

- Total project costs
  - \$14.7 mil total
  - \$2.94 mil all in FY26
- Benefits
  - 767 lbs/yr TN

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## **Management Committee Meetings**

Dates	Objective
Oct 23, 2024	Review: Raw application information
Dec 4,2024	Review: Preliminary Eval Review #1
Jan 8, 2025	Review: Preliminary Eval Review #2
Feb 19,2025	Approve: Final Evals
May 21, 2025	• Present: Springs Funding Lessons Learned
Jul 9, 2025	<ul> <li>FDEP Springs Funding FY27 Kickoff</li> <li>Approve: Meeting Dates</li> <li>Approve: Funding Process</li> </ul>

## **Steering Committee Meetings**

Dates	Objective
Nov 6, 2024	Present: Raw application information
Jan 22, 2025	Present: Preliminary Evals
Mar 5, 2025	Approve: Final Evals
Jul 23, 2025	<ul> <li>FDEP Springs Funding FY26 Kickoff</li> <li>Approve: Meeting Dates</li> <li>Approve: Funding Process</li> </ul>