



**Florida Job Growth Grant Fund  
Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal**

Proposal Instructions: The Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Proposal (this document) must be completed by the governmental entity applying for the grant and signed by either the chief elected official, the administrator for the governmental entity or their designee. Please read the proposal carefully as some questions may require a separate narrative to be completed.

**Governmental Entity Information**

Name of Governmental Entity: City of Marianna

Government Federal Employer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information:**

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**Public Infrastructure Grant Eligibility**

Pursuant to section 288.101, F.S., the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was created to promote economic opportunity by improving public infrastructure and enhancing workforce training. Eligible governmental entities that wish to access this grant fund must submit public infrastructure proposals that:

- Promote economic recovery in specific regions of the state, economic diversification or economic enhancement in a targeted industry. (View Florida's [Targeted Industries here.](#))
- Are not for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity.
- Are for infrastructure that is owned by the public and is for public use or predominately benefits the public.

### 1. Program Requirements:

Each proposal must include the following information describing how the project satisfies eligibility requirements listed on page 1.

A. Provide the title and a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.

Project Title: Runway #18/36 extension at the Marianna Airport Commerce Park

(see attached document for complete information)

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B. Is this infrastructure owned by the public?

Yes       No

C. Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public?

Yes       No

D. Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity?

Yes       No

E. Provide a detailed explanation of how the public infrastructure improvements will connect to a broader economic development vision for the community and benefit additional current or future businesses.

(see attached document for complete information)

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F. Provide a detailed description of, and quantitative evidence demonstrating, how the proposed public infrastructure project will promote:

- Economic recovery in specific regions of the state;
- Economic diversification; or
- Economic enhancement of a Targeted Industry (View Florida's [Targeted Industries here.](#))
  - As part of this response, describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include a description of the number of jobs that will be retained or created, the average wages of such jobs, and in which industry(ies) the jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System ([NAICS](#)) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or grow jobs or make capital investment.
  - Further, include the economic impact on the community, region, or state and the associated metrics used to measure the success of the proposed project.

(see attached document for complete information)

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## 2. Additional Information:

- A. Is this project an expansion of an existing infrastructure project?  
 Yes       No
- B. Provide the proposed commencement date and number of days required to complete construction of the public infrastructure project.  
(see attached document for complete information) \_\_\_\_\_
- C. What is the location of the public infrastructure? (Provide the road number, if applicable.)  
(see attached document for complete information) \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Who is responsible for maintenance and upkeep? (Indicate if more than one are applicable.)  
 Federal     State     County     City     Other \_\_\_\_\_
- E. What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?  
(see attached document for complete information) \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Detail whether required permits have been secured, and if not, detail the timeline for securing these permits. Additionally, if any required permits are local permits, will these permits be prioritized?  
The only permit required for construction is a NWFWMID Individual Environmental Resource Permit. The Permit Number: IND-063-17286-1 was issued on March 18, 2016. A copy of the permit is attached as Attachment B. \_\_\_\_\_
- G. What is the future land use and zoning designation on the proposed site of the infrastructure improvements, and will the improvements conform to those uses?  
(see attached document for complete information) \_\_\_\_\_

H. Will an amendment to the local comprehensive plan or a development order be required on the site of the proposed project or on adjacent property to accommodate the infrastructure and potential current or future job creation opportunities? If yes, please detail the timeline.

Yes  No

If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

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I. Is the project ready to commence upon grant fund approval and contract execution? If no, please explain.

Yes  No

If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

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J. Does this project have a local match amount?

Yes  No

If yes, please describe the entity providing the match and the amount.  
(see attached document for complete information)

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K. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal.  
(see attached document for complete information)

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### 3. Program Budget

**Estimated Costs and Sources of Funding:** Include all applicable public infrastructure costs and other funding sources available to support the proposal.

**A. Public Infrastructure Project Costs:**

Construction	\$ 1,978,322	
Reconstruction	\$ ----	
Design & Engineering	\$ 481,500	
Land Acquisition	\$ 126,263	
Land Improvement	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	Please Specify: _____
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$ 2,586,085</b>	

**B. Other Public Infrastructure Project Funding Sources:**

City/County	\$ 136,263	
Private Sources	\$ 10,000	
Other (grants, etc.)	\$ 461,500	Please Specify: _____
<b>Total Other Funding</b>	<b>\$ 607,763</b>	<b>FDOT &amp; DEO</b>
<b>Total Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$ 1,978,322</b>	

**Note:** The total amount requested must equal the difference between the public infrastructure project costs in 3.A. and the other public infrastructure project funding sources in 3.B.

C. Provide a detailed budget narrative, including the timing and steps necessary to obtain the funding and any other pertinent budget-related information.

(see attached document for complete information)

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#### 4. Approvals and Authority

- A. If the governmental entity is awarded grant funds based on this proposal, what approvals must be obtained before it can execute a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (e.g., approval of a board, commission or council)?
- (see attached document for complete information)
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- B. If approval of a board, commission, council or other group is needed prior to execution of an agreement between the governmental entity and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity:

- i. Provide the schedule of upcoming meetings for the group for a period of at least six months.  
City Commission meeting is first Tuesday of each month.
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- ii. State whether that group can hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days' notice.  
Special meetings can be held during a month with a week's notice to publicize.
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- C. Attach evidence that the undersigned has all necessary authority to execute this proposal on behalf of the governmental entity. This evidence may take a variety of forms, including but not limited to: a delegation of authority, citation to relevant laws or codes, policy documents, etc.



I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described governmental entity.

Name of Governmental Entity: City of Marianna

Name and Title of Authorized Representative: Jim Dean, City Manager

Representative Signature: JAMES R. DEAN

Signature Date: 8/29/2017

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JR Dean", written over a horizontal line.

## **Complete Information to Application Questions City of Marianna Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal**

**IA. Project Title:** Runway #18/36 extension at the Marianna Airport Commerce Park

**Project Description:** The project is located at the 1,500 acre Marianna Airport Commerce Park. The primary runway at Marianna Municipal Airport, Runway #18/36, is currently 4,900 feet in length which is insufficient to accommodate larger business jets as well as attracting aerospace industries. The proposed project is to lengthen the runway to 6,000 feet which has signed and sealed design plans and has since been permitted through the Northwest Florida Water Management District. (See Attachment A) The Environmental Resource Permit was issued March 18, 2016. (See Attachment B) Construction may commence as early as November 2017, subject to a funding award. All required land is owned by the City of Marianna. (See Attachment A)

In 2015, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) provided a grant through the Rural Infrastructure Fund program to assist with obtaining McCallum Sweeney (MS) Industrial Site Certification for 237 acres adjacent to Runway #18/36. This Gulf Power Company sponsored MS Certification program was the first of its kind in the State of Florida. Along with DEO and Gulf Power, both Jackson County and the City of Marianna contributed funding for the MS Site Certification. The site received its official MS Certification on February 5, 2015. (See Attachment C) Funding for the runway extension is the critical next step to enhance this Certified Site. A video depicting the site may be viewed at:

<http://www.floridafirstsites.com/marianna-airport-commerce-park>.

The City of Marianna has been unable to successfully compete for aerospace projects which have instead located at nearby airports in Alabama and Georgia. Aerospace opportunities abound in the area due to proximity to Ft. Rucker, Eglin and Tyndall Air Force Bases. Included herein is a commitment letter from the SkyWarrior Flight training, Inc. to begin a pilot training school contingent upon the runway extension. (See Attachment D1)

**IE. Provide a detailed explanation of how the public infrastructure improvements will connect to a broader economic development vision for the community and benefit additional current or future business:**

The project site is the City of Marianna Airport Commerce Park, located within the City limits of Marianna. The City partnered with Gulf Power Company to establish a Certified Site at the municipal airport. In 2015 the City was successful in obtaining certification by **McCallum Sweeney Consulting** for a 237-acre parcel of City Property near the Primary Runway at the Airport. See aerial of conceptual development for the 237-acre site. (See Attachment A) By extending the City's Runway #18/36 to 6,000 feet, the extended runway will provide runway frontage to the Certified Site.

For the past fifty-plus (50) years, the City has put forward the Marianna Airport Commerce Park properties as a potential location for many prospects. In all cases that involved Targeted Industries associated with aviation, as defined by the State of Florida, the City has not been selected for a site visit due primarily to the limited runway length of the existing runway.

The City presently has several aviation businesses located at the Marianna Municipal Airport which would be directly impacted by a runway extension up to 6,000 feet. Attached are letters of support from of those businesses that express support and the positive impact on business expansion and job growth. (See Attachments D1-D4)

The runway being extended was originally part of a U.S. Army Air Corps Base on 2,000-plus acres constructed in the early 1940's (during World War II). It is the primary north-south runway and was again used as part of a U.S. Air Force pilot training facility from 1952 to 1962. The closure of Graham Air Force Base devastated the Marianna area and resulted in a loss of roughly 25% of the county population when comparing the 1960 to 1970 census.

Since 1962 (55 years) Marianna and Jackson County has repurposed roughly 40% of the former Air Force Base land area that exceeds 2,000 acres. Approximately 1,150 jobs are now located at the Marianna Airport Commerce Park. However, less than 50 of these jobs are "aviation related".

It is our vision to take our 237 acre McCallum Sweeney/Gulf Power "Certified Site" and the adjoining Airport Commerce Park properties to increase our "aviation related" job producing activities (as described elsewhere in this application for funding).

With the proposed increase of runway length from 4,900 to 6,000 feet in itself will increase the chances and improve our competitive posture with Alabama, Georgia and other Southeastern U.S. states and be instrumental by adding hundreds, if not thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in capital investment and increased tax base to the area economy.

**1 F. Provide a detailed description of, and quantitative evidence demonstrating, how the proposed public infrastructure project will promote:**

- **Economic recovery in specific regions of the state;**  
The City of Marianna is located in Jackson County, Florida which has been identified as a Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO). Rural Areas of Opportunity are defined as rural communities, or a region composed of rural communities, that have been adversely affected by extraordinary economic events or natural disasters. The Governor by executive order may designate up to three RAOs, which establishes each region as a priority assignment for Rural and Economic Development Initiative (REDI) agencies and allows the Governor to waive criteria of any economic development incentive including, but not limited to: the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program under section 288.106, Florida Statutes (F.S.), the Quick Response Training Program and the Quick Response Training Program for participants in the welfare transition program under section 288.047, F.S., transportation projects under section 339.2821, F.S., the brownfield redevelopment bonus refund under section 288.107, F.S., and the rural job tax credit program under section 212.098, F.S. and section 220.1895, F.S. Marianna is a part of the Northwest Rural Area of Opportunity.

- **Economic enhancement of a Targeted Industry;**

Florida is one of the world’s leading manufacturers in the aviation and aerospace industry. It is a major center for flight training and MRO, and home to many manufactures of aircraft and aviation/aerospace components. More than 85,000 Floridians work in Florida’s aviation and aerospace industries.

Florida is home to more than 65,000 active duty military personnel, 30,000 plus civilian personnel associated with military, 9,000 plus annual military separates, and over 1.6 million veterans.

SkyWarrior Flight Training, Inc. is a Part 161 aviation training program at Marianna Airport Commerce Park and has stated that by extending Runway #18/36 it would facilitate additional growth to their company and business in the form of jobs and revenue for Jackson County. (See **Attachment D1**) Support letters from Air Prop Specialist, Safari Helicopter and others is found in **Attachment D2-D6**.

**2B. Provide the proposed commencement date and number of days required to complete construction of the public infrastructure.**

The proposed work, 1100-foot extension of Runway #18/36, has been completely designed permitted through the Northwest Florida Water Management District and ready for commencement of construction November 1, 2017. The plans and permits were obtained in March, 2016. The City is currently advertising the project for construction which will provide for 180 days of construction.

**2C. What is the location of the public infrastructure?**

The Runaway #18/36 Extension is at the Marianna Airport Commerce Park located at 3686 Industrial Park Drive, Marianna, FL 32446. (See Attachment A)

**2E. What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?**

The only permit required for construction is a NWFWMID Individual Environmental Resource Permit. The Permit Number: IND-063-17286-1 was issued on March 18, 2016. A copy of the permit is attached. Therefore, construction may be started immediately. (See Attachment B)

**2G. What is the future land use and zoning designation on the proposed site of the infrastructure improvements, and will the improvements conform to those uses?**

The current Land Use and Zoning of the proposed runway extension site is **Industrial**. The site is also located in the Industrial Special Treatment Area Overlay, which provides incentives for industrial development.

The proposed project, extending Runway #18/36 to 6,000 feet does NOT require any type of Land Use change or Zoning Change; the extension is fully compatible with approved zoning and/or comp plans.

**2J. Does this project have a local match amount?**

Yes. This includes State Grant funding, city land donation and private funds:

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for runway extension design	\$154,565
Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for Environmental Assessment	\$134,300
Department of Economic Opportunity for Site Certification work	\$172,635
Land provided by City of Marianna valued at	\$126,263
Gulf Power funding for Site Certification work	<u>\$ 10,000</u>

**Total Match                    \$607,763**

**2K. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal.**

As further documentation, the proposed project will promote Economic Recovery, in May 2008 the Jackson County Development Council (JCDC) responded to a Request For Information (RFI) distributed by Enterprise Florida, Inc. (EFI), and aviation Targeted Industry “SKY PILOT”. The City of Marianna and JCDC response to the RFI met all requirements described in the RFI except for one (1). The one Project Requirement the City was unable to meet was the runway length required by the client which was 6,000 feet. As you can see from the attached Project Response, the City would have satisfied the Project Requirements if the City had a 6,000 foot runway. We proposed to extend 1,000 feet... but the client could not wait. **(See Attachment E)**

To quantitatively document the proposed project will promote economic recovery and enhance Florida’s Targeted Industries the City, we obtained assistance from Chipola Workforce in providing Economic Impact Reports for two (2) aviation industry sectors which are shown below:

**AIRCRAFT PARTS AND AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURING**

**Marianna Airport – 30 min radius Annual Impact of Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing (Event Size = 400)**

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	279	136	815
Sales/Output	\$63,803,340	\$21,986,747	\$10,088,263	\$95,878,350

Source: JobSEO®

**Marianna Airport - 60 min radius Annual Impact of Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing (Event Size = 400)**

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	378	162	940
Sales/Output	\$63,803,340	\$35,014,732	\$12,167,214	\$110,985,286

Source: JobSEO®

**Marianna Airport - 75 min radius Annual Impact of Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing (Event Size = 400)**

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	385	164	949
Sales/Output	\$53,355,670	\$30,256,883	\$10,359,014	\$93,971,567

Source: JobSEO®

**AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING**

**Marianna Airport - 30 min radius Annual Impact of Aircraft Manufacturing**

(Event Size = 400)

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	280	187	867
Sales/Output	\$63,764,716	\$20,961,104	\$12,336,752	\$97,062,573

Source: JobsEO@

**Mariann Airport - 60 min radius Annual Impact of Aircraft Manufacturing**

(Event Size = 400)

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	425	211	1,036
Sales/Output	\$63,764,716	\$41,408,595	\$14,408,680	\$119,581,991

Source: JobsEO@

**Marianna Airport - 75 min radius Annual Impact of Aircraft Manufacturing**

(Event Size = 400)

	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment	400	429	213	1,042
Sales/Output	\$61,056,716	\$40,044,768	\$13,887,641	\$114,989,125

Source: JobsEO@

**4 A. If the governmental entity is awarded grant funds based on this proposal, what approval must be obtained before it can execute a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity?**

Based on the City of Marianna Charter Section 3.06(a) Meetings, the commission shall meet regularly at least once in every month at such time and places the Commission may prescribe by rule. Special meetings may be held on call of the mayor or of a majority of the members and whenever practicable, upon no less than twelve (12) hours' notice to each member and the public.

Therefore, the City of Marianna would be able to execute a grant agreement within 12 hours of notification by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

**3 C. Provide a detailed budget narrative, including the timing and steps necessary to obtain the funding and any other pertinent budget-related information.**

The total project cost is \$2,586,085. The City is requesting \$1,978,322 in grant funds and the other \$607,763 has been provided from the other sources as follows: FDOT provided \$ 288,865 for the engineering design and permitting of the runway extension. City of Marianna provided \$10,000 for the site certification process. DEO provided \$172,635 toward the site certification process. The City of Marianna is providing \$126,263 in land value for the runway extension.

Funding from all other matching sources of funds have been secured and the site certification, engineering design and permitting work has been completed. Therefore, timing is not an issue with the other sources of matching project funds. Since all engineering design and permitting has been completed, the City is ready to begin construction immediately upon award of the Jobs Growth funds. Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost for runway construction can be found in **Attachment F.**

**4. Approval and Authority**

**A.** Based on the City of Marianna Charter Section 3.06(a) Meetings. *The Commission shall meet regularly at least once in every month at such time and places the Commission may prescribe by rule. Special meetings may be held on call of the mayor or of a majority of the members and whenever practicable, upon no less than twelve (12) hours' notice to each member and the public.*

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**B.** Not Applicable

**C.** The Marianna City Attorney has provided a letter attesting to authority having been provided by action of City Commission. (See **Attachment G**)