



## 2021-2022 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal

Proposal Instructions: Please read this document carefully and provide the information requested below. Some questions may request that a separate narrative be completed. If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

### Governmental Entity Information

Name of Governmental Entity: Town of Callahan

Government Federal Employer Identification Number: [REDACTED]

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Callahan, FL 32011

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Title: Callahan Town Council President

Phone Number: (904) 879-3801

### 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 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:

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

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

- A.** Provide a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.  
see attached

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- B.** Provide location of public infrastructure, including physical address and county of project.  
25381 Crawford Road  
Callahan, FL 32011

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- C.** Is this infrastructure currently owned by the public?  Yes  No

If no, is there a current option to purchase or right of way provided to the County?

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- D.** Provide current property owner.  
Florida Power and Light Company

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- E.** Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public?  Yes  No

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- F.** Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation, or business entity?  Yes  No
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**G.** 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.](#))
  - Describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include the number of jobs that will be retained or created, and in which industry(ies) the new net jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System ([NAICS](#)) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or create jobs or make capital investment.
  - 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.

By establishing the first industrial user inside the Crawford Diamond Industrial Park, will not only activate rail into the Industrial Park, this will provide public water to the adjacent job creating lands that are currently unserved by public water, improve operational aspects of the roadways serving the Crawford Diamond Industrial Park and adjacent industrial lands, expand and diversify the local tax base/economy, result in beneficial direct, indirect, and induced economic impacts, create long-term public value through an investment in revenue producing infrastructure, create a more resilient, sustainable, and prosperous local economic ecosystem.

Nassau County has deep roots in manufacturing, and the timber industry has dominated the landscape of the County for close to a century. A designated rural county by the state of Florida, the western part of the county has not benefited from any significant job creation.

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## 2. Additional Information:

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

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

As soon as possible. Two years is the estimated time-frame of completion. 60 days upon available funds

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

Florida Department of Environmental Protection - Notification / Application for constructing a Domestic Water

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- C. 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?

Florida Department of Environmental Protection - Notification / Application for constructing a domestic waterplant. Shovel ready engineering has been complete

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- D. 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?

Industrial

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- E. 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

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

Yes  No

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- G. Does this project have a local match amount?  Yes  No

If yes, please describe the entity providing the match and the amount.

Yes. Nassau County Board of County Commission has committed to 4,000,000 to infrastructure

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- H. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal. Maps and other supporting documents are encouraged.

Please see attached

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### 3. Program Budget

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

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

**1.) Total Amount Requested**      \$4,000,000.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

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

City/County                      \$4,000,000.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Private Sources                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (grants, etc.)             \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Other Funding**         \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Public Infrastructure Project Costs:**

Construction                     \$8,000,000.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Reconstruction                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Design & Engineering         \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Land Acquisitor,                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Land Improvement               \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other                                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Project Costs**            \$8,000,000.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** The total amount requested must be calculated by subtracting the total other public infrastructure project funding sources in A. from the total public infrastructure project costs in B.

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

Please see attached

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#### 4. Approvals and Authority

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

- 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)?

Approval from the Town of Callahan Council

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If board authorization is not required, who is authorized to sign?

N/A

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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.
- ii. State whether entity is willing and able to hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days' notice.

First and third Monday at 7PM each month. Minimum 24 hour notice is required for special meetings.

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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.

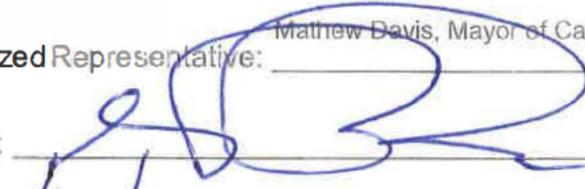
Grants manual provides authority explanation and is available in hard copy at Town of Callahan office

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I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described entity and to the best of my knowledge, that all data and information submitted in proposal is truthful and accurate and no material fact has been omitted.

Name of Governmental Entity: Town of Callahan

Name and Title of Authorized Representative: Mathew Davis, Mayor of Callahan

Representative Signature: 

Signature Date: 01/06/2022