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	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: LAW ENFORCEMENT						77200000
FISH/WILDLIFE/BOAT ENFRMNT						77200100
PUBLIC PROTECTION						12
LAW ENFORCEMENT						1202.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
OFFICE SPACE						990A000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
LAW ENFORCEMENT F.O.- KEYS						080096
MARINE RESOURCES CONSV TF -STATE	623,865					2467 1

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: LAW ENFORCEMENT F.O.- KEYS IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This request is for spending authority, in the amount of \$623,865, from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund to construct a law enforcement field office on property located on Windley Key in South Florida.

Current Situation:

Windley Key is strategically located adjacent to one of the busiest boating areas in Monroe County. Hundreds of local residents and out of town boaters frequent this area, creating the potential for a dangerous situation. In addition to boating safety, enforcement activities in the area include those for heavy commercial and charter fishing, recreational fishing, border security, and Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary issues. Currently there is not a place to process boater violations or accidents. Fixed Capital Outlay funding was appropriated in FY 2007-08 to demolish an existing building that was a safety hazard, provide preliminary design work for a replacement building, and replacement of the docks.

Explanation of Costs:

The construction costs of this building include the pilings it is required to be placed on due to its location in the Keys. In addition, a parking area will be provided under the building.

Construction of Field Office	Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
Construction - 1,000 sf x \$350 per sf	MRCTF	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000
Permits, Inspections, Impact Fees	MRCTF	7,500	7,500
Communications (conduits, wiring, etc)	MRCTF	5,000	5,000
Utilities outside building	MRCTF	60,000	60,000
Site Development (roads, paving)	MRCTF	45,000	45,000
Other - 10% contingency	MRCTF	46,750	46,750
Planning/Programming	MRCTF	15,000	15,000
Architectural/Engineering Fees	MRCTF	50,000	50,000
Moveable Equipment/Furniture	MRCTF	44,615	44,615
Total Request		\$ 623,865	\$ 623,865

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: LAW ENFORCEMENT						77200000
FISH/WILDLIFE/BOAT ENFRMNT						77200100
PUBLIC PROTECTION						12
LAW ENFORCEMENT						1202.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
OFFICE SPACE						990A000

Benefits:

Approval of this issue will provide trust fund spending authority to construct a law enforcement field office on Windley Key in Monroe County. This office will provide a law enforcement presence which will assist in the deterrence of unwanted activity and enhance the ability of the division to provide law enforcement services and resources to the public in this extremely high use area. It will also create operational efficiencies by improving readiness to respond to emergency calls and provide a waterside support facility to a multitude of Commission services and other law enforcement agencies.

Activity: Uniform Patrol and Investigations - ACT2010

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Quality of Life Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

(27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.

(29) Promote, develop, protect and leverage Florida's natural, art and cultural assets in a sustainable manner.

GRANTS AND AIDS - FIXED CAPITAL
 OUTLAY

G/A-LOC GOV/NONST ENT-FCO						990G000
FL BOATING IMPROVEMENT PRG						140000
						140270

MARINE RESOURCES CONSV TF -STATE	562,000	562,000	562,000	562,000	562,000	2467	1
STATE GAME TRUST FUND -STATE	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	2672	1
TOTAL APPRO.....	1,812,000	1,812,000	1,812,000	1,812,000	1,812,000		
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AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: FL BOATING IMPROVEMENT PRG IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This issue requests \$562,000 in spending authority from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund (MRCTF) and \$1,250,000 from the State Game Trust Fund (SGTF) to continue a long term program of providing grants to local governments for boating improvements.

Current Situation:

Pursuant to Section 328.72(15), Florida Statutes, an estimated \$562,000 will be deposited into the MRCTF from \$1 directed from the county portion of vessel registration fees to be used to fund a competitive grant program for local projects providing public launching facilities.

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: LAW ENFORCEMENT						77200000
FISH/WILDLIFE/BOAT ENFRMNT						77200100
PUBLIC PROTECTION						12
LAW ENFORCEMENT						<u>1202.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
GRANTS AND AIDS - FIXED CAPITAL						
OUTLAY						990G000

As directed by section 206.606(1)(b), Florida Statutes, \$1,250,000 is transferred annually from the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund to the SGTF to fund local projects through a competitive grant program for recreational channel marking, public launching facilities, derelict vessel removal, and other local boating related activities. These funds are used to provide grants to local governments.

Explanation of Costs:

	Amount	Non-Recurring
Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund		

Vessel registration fees (\$1)	\$ 562,000	\$ 562,000
State Game Trust Fund		

Vessel fuel tax revenue	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 1,250,000
Total FCO Request	\$ 1,812,000	\$ 1,812,000
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Benefits:

Approval of this issue will provide grant funding to counties, municipalities, and other governmental agencies from funds transferred from the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund and from county vessel registration fees. Projects that meet the criteria under the Florida Boating Improvement Program include recreational channel marking, public launching facilities, derelict vessel removal, and other boating related activities that enhance boating access for recreational boaters. Most projects take more than one year to complete due to permit requirements, environmental issues, and other delays, therefore fixed capital outlay funding will allow for these projects to be completed without a delay in appropriations.

Activity: Boating and Waterways - ACT2410

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Civic & Governance Systems and Quality of Life and Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

- (24) Support and sustain statewide and regional partnerships to accomplish Florida's economic and quality of life goals.
- (27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.
- (29) Promote, develop, protect and leverage Florida's natural, art and cultural assets in a sustainable manner.

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09		
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN		
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18		
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT
						CODES	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM							77000000
PGM: LAW ENFORCEMENT							77200000
FISH/WILDLIFE/BOAT ENFRMNT							77200100
PUBLIC PROTECTION							12
LAW ENFORCEMENT							1202.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN							9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE							9905000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY							080000
BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE							082800
FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND -FEDERL	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,300,000	2261	3

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This issue requests \$3,300,000 in spending authority from the Federal Grants Trust Fund. Included in this request is \$1,700,000 from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) through the Sport Fish Restoration Act - Boat Access, which have been apportioned to Florida for boating infrastructure. If the apportioned funds are not spent, the unobligated funds will be reallocated to other states and future apportionments will be reduced to the State of Florida.

This request also includes funding for grants that will be submitted to USFWS, Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIGP) for \$1,600,000. Most projects take more than one year to complete due to permit requirements, environmental issues, and other delays, therefore fixed capital outlay funding will allow for these projects to be completed without a delay in appropriations.

Current Situation:

The Commission receives federal funds from the U.S. Department of Interior, USFWS, Sport Fish Restoration Act. Funds are apportioned each year to the State of Florida pursuant to the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act that provides funding for boating access facilities, both marine and freshwater.

The Commission is Florida's State Administrative Agency (SAA) for BIGP, which is a federal flow-through grant program to provide boating infrastructure for transient vessels 26' or larger with transient defined as 10 days stay or less. BIGP provides that at least \$100,000 will be granted to each SAA for one project or a maximum of two projects that cost \$100,000. Projects that request more than \$100,000 are submitted to the USFWS and compete on a national level. The applicant is providing the match, but spending authority is needed for these cost-reimbursement grants.

Explanation of Costs:

Federal Grants Trust Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
Sport Fish Restoration - Boat Access (apportioned funds)	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 1,700,000
Boating Infrastructure Grant Program	1,600,000	1,600,000
Total FCO Request	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 3,300,000

Benefits:

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: LAW ENFORCEMENT						77200000
FISH/WILDLIFE/BOAT ENFRMNT						77200100
PUBLIC PROTECTION						12
LAW ENFORCEMENT						<u>1202.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						990S000

Approval of this issue will provide spending authority from the Federal Grants Trust Fund to utilize federal funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service through the Sport Fish Restoration Act for various boating access projects, and through the U.S. Boating Infrastructure Grant Program to provide boating infrastructure for transient vessels. The apportioned funds will be used for the extensive maintenance and repairs of 235 boat ramps operated and maintained by the Commission, construction of new boat ramps, assistance with the increased responsibility for oversight of waterway markers in Florida, and joint boat access partnerships on public lands, such as Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Water Management Districts, and other governmental entities.

Activity: Boating and Waterways - ACT2410

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Civic & Governance Systems and Quality of Life and Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

- (24) Support and sustain statewide and regional partnerships to accomplish Florida's economic and quality of life goals.
- (27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.
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TOTAL: LAW ENFORCEMENT						<u>1202.00.00.00</u>
BY FUND TYPE						
TRUST FUNDS.....	5,735,865	5,112,000	5,112,000	5,112,000	5,112,000	2000
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	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: WILDLIFE						77300000
<u>HUNTING & GAME MANAGEMENT</u>						77300200
<u>NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON</u>						14
<u>BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES</u>						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						9905000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
TRIPLE N SHOOTING PARK						080026
FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND -FEDERL	1,400,000					2261 3

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: TRIPLE N SHOOTING PARK IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This request is for spending authority from the Federal Grants Trust Fund for planning and construction of a public shooting park on Triple N Ranch Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Osceola County.

Current Situation:

There is a shortage of public recreational shooting parks throughout Florida. As more land is being developed, there are fewer safe places for recreational shooting. With the high price of suitable land, there are fewer outdoor ranges being built, increasing the difficulty for the public, especially urban and suburban residents, to find a safe place to shoot a firearm. From Pensacola to Key West, a pattern is emerging that is detrimental to the future of recreational shooting and is jeopardizing the ability to practice the safe handling of a firearm.

Currently, there is no public shooting range in Osceola County, but in 2010, the citizens petitioned their county commissioners to build a shooting park where they could safely participate in their sport. In an effort to address this public demand, Osceola County contacted the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to explore the possibility of partnering together to provide a shooting park on county or state owned land. A team evaluated several possible sites and agreed to add a public shooting park to the list of recreational opportunities offered on the WMA. Hunter safety training and marksmanship training is a core mission of FWC's hunter safety and public shooting range section.

The proposed site, previously a citrus grove, will encompass approximately 350 acres within the WMA. Commission staff has worked with Osceola County staff and local shooting sports enthusiasts to develop conceptual designs for the shooting complex. FWC is contributing the site and allocating \$1.4 million of Wildlife Restoration federal grant funds for this project. Osceola County and other partners are committing resources to build safety berms, roads and other infrastructure to enhance the project. These resources and contributions will be used as the required non-federal matching funds. Moving forward with the project now hinges on approval of the request for spending authority for the federal funds.

Explanation of Costs:

Description	Amount	Non-Recurring
50' Pistol Range - 20 positions at 4' on center	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
15/25 Yard Pistol Range - 35 positions at 4' on center	160,000	160,000
50/100 Yard Rifle Range - 28 positions at 6' on center	181,000	181,000

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES

FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: WILDLIFE						77300000
<u>HUNTING & GAME MANAGEMENT</u>						77300200
<u>NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON</u>						14
<u>BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES</u>						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						990S000

200 Yard Rifle Range - 20 positions at 6' on center			140,000		140,000	
Restrooms - Rifle Ranges			75,000		75,000	
Sporting Clays Range - 15 Stations			300,000		300,000	
Restrooms - Sporting Clays Range			50,000		50,000	
Classroom/Offices/Pro Shop			300,000		300,000	
Maintenance Building			94,000		94,000	
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Total Request			\$ 1,400,000		\$ 1,400,000	
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Benefits:

Approval of this issue, utilizing federal grant funds, will provide a public shooting park at the Triple N Ranch Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Osceola County. This facility will provide hunter safety training and marksmanship training for the public, as well as hosting state and national firearms competitions. This WMA is located near interstate highways and airports providing easy access to visitors in the area.

Activity: Hunter Safety and Ranges - ACT1235

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports Cross-Cutting Strategies and the Quality of Life & Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

(1) Strengthen collaboration and alignment among state, regional and local entities toward the state's economic vision.

(27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: HABITAT/SPECIES CONSR						77350000
HABITAT/SPECIES CONSERVATN						77350200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						1406.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
OFFICE SPACE						990A000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
FISHEATING CREEK WMA						080060
STATE GAME TRUST FUND						2672 1
	-STATE	404,500				

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: FISHEATING CREEK WMA IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This request is for spending authority from the State Game Trust Fund to construct a 1,900 square foot field office on a pre-developed site on the Fisheating Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA). This facility will be a consolidate operations and administrative work center for the Divisions of Habitat and Species Conservation and Law Enforcement.

Current Situation:

Pursuant to s.201.15(5), Florida Statutes, a portion of documentary stamp funds are deposited into the State Game Trust fund and are specifically for the purposes identified in the request. Recent projections indicate the documentary stamp tax revenues have increased sufficiently to support this request. Currently, staff is operating from a deteriorating leased modular office building. This building was installed as a temporary measure to replace a structure destroyed by a hurricane in 2004, and is not energy efficient resulting in extremely high utility costs. In addition, surveys of the area have shown the site to be in close proximity to a sensitive archeological site.

Explanation of Costs:

Description	Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
Field Office-Fisheating Creek WMA	SGTF	\$ 404,500	\$ 404,500

Benefits:

Approval of this issue will provide work space for biological, administrative and law enforcement staff, on the Fisheating Creek wildlife Management Area. This facility will provide a safer environment for staff, as well as better communications and continuity of operations. In addition, relocating the office away from an existing archeological site to an already prepared and permitted building site will ensure that archeological resources are not harmed.

Activity: Manage and Restore Public Lands - ACT3050

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Quality of Life & Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

(27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: HABITAT/SPECIES CONSR						77350000
HABITAT/SPECIES CONSERVATN						77350200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						1406.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS						990E000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
WMA LAND IMPROVEMENTS						085020
STATE GAME TRUST FUND	-STATE	595,000	595,000	595,000	595,000	595,000
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AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: WMA LAND IMPROVEMENTS IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This request is for \$595,000 from the State Game Trust Fund to enhance land management operations within the Wildlife Management Area (WMA) system. The funding is received pursuant to section 201.15(5), Florida Statutes, which provides a portion of documentary stamp tax funds specifically for the purposes identified in this request. This funding will be used for multi-year and multi-party improvements to lands within the WMA system.

Current Situation:

Spending authority for documentary stamp tax revenues deposited into the State Game Trust Fund for land management activities was reduced by 63% in recent years because revenues could not support the expenditures. Recent projections indicate the documentary stamp tax revenues have increased sufficiently to support this request. These funds are needed to redress a backlog of land management needs, improve habitat for fish and wildlife populations on public lands, and develop infrastructure to support enhanced recreational access and opportunity. Major needs to be funded include restoration of rare plant communities, mechanical and chemical treatments of noxious vegetation, restoration of natural hydrologic flows, and reforestation.

Land management activities will include, but not limited to, prescribed burning, road maintenance, exotic vegetation control, habitat restoration wildlife food plots, and plant and wildlife surveys. Public recreation management activities will include, but not be limited to, public access and maintenance, trail development, wildlife viewing facilities (boardwalks, viewing blinds, and observation towers), hunt headquarters improvements, interpretive signage/information, and site security. However, it should be noted that actual staffing and funding assignments might be subject to change due to unforeseen changes in management priorities or land acquisition patterns.

Explanation of Costs:

Category	Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
Wildlife Management Area Land Improvements	SGTF	\$ 595,000	\$ 595,000

Benefits:

Approval of this issue will provide trust fund spending authority necessary for important land improvement projects within the Wildlife Management Area system. Funding will improve fish and wildlife habitat, reduce the spread of exotic and noxious vegetation, restore degraded habitats, and improve public access and use.

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: HABITAT/SPECIES CONSR						77350000
HABITAT/SPECIES CONSERVATN						77350200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS						990E000

Activity: Manage and Restore Public Lands - ACT3050

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Quality of Life and Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

(27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.

(29) Promote, develop, protect and leverage Florida's natural, art and cultural assets in a sustainable manner.

SPECIAL PURPOSE						990S000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
INVASIVE PLANT MGT STO FAC						085070
INVASIVE PLANT CONTROL TF -STATE	75,000					2030 1

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: INVASIVE PLANT MGT STO FAC IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This request is for spending authority from the Invasive Plant Control Trust Fund to construct a storage facility at the Invasive Plant Management (IPM) field office in Inverness, Florida. This annex will provide secure, weatherproof storage for boats, sampling equipment, and herbicides, thus reducing equipment maintenance costs and providing additional storage space for herbicides, which is greatly needed.

Current Situation:

The IPM Section maintains a field office on Fort Cooper State Park property in the city of Inverness. The property was developed during FY 2007-08 and is under a 49 year lease with the Department of Environmental Protections' Division of State Lands. During the planning and engineering phase, a specialized equipment and chemical storage annex was planned; however, project funds were not available during the construction phase. Boats and other equipment are currently exposed to the weather, requiring additional maintenance costs, and the existing small storage unit is insufficient to store the amount of herbicides needed.

Explanation of Costs:

Description	Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
Equipment Storage Facility	Invasive Plant Control TF	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	CODES
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: HABITAT/SPECIES CONSR						77350000
HABITAT/SPECIES CONSERVATN						77350200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						9905000

Benefits:

Approval of this issue will provide for the construction of a needed storage facility at the Invasive Plant Management field office in Inverness, Florida. It will provide secure weatherproof storage for boats, sampling equipment, and herbicides used to manage invasive plants in public waterways and conservation lands. This will reduce maintenance costs related to equipment being exposed to weather and additional storage space for herbicides.

Activities: Manage Invasive Aquatic Plants in Public Waterways - ACT3810
 Manage Invasive Exotic Upland Plants on Public Conservation Lands - ACT3820

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Quality of Life and Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

- (27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.
- (29) Promote, develop, protect and leverage Florida's natural, art and cultural assets in a sustainable manner.

TOTAL: BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
BY FUND TYPE						
TRUST FUNDS.....	1,074,500	595,000	595,000	595,000	595,000	2000
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	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: MARINE FISHERIES						77500000
MARINE FISHERIES MGT						77500200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						1406.00.00.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS						990E000
G/A-LOC GOV/NONST ENT-FCO						140000
ART FISH REEF CONST PROG						140004
FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND -FEDERL	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	2261 3
MARINE RESOURCES CONSV TF -STATE	133,333	133,333	133,333	133,333	133,333	2467 1
-MATCH	166,667	166,667	166,667	166,667	166,667	2467 2
TOTAL MARINE RESOURCES CONSV TF	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	2467
TOTAL APPRO.....	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	

AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: ART FISH REEF CONST PROG IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

Funds are requested for grants-in-aid to local governments, qualified nonprofit entities, and state universities for local artificial reef planning, development, assessment, and management pursuant to section 379.249, Florida Statutes and Chapter 68E-9, Florida Administrative Code.

Current Situation:

Program funding is received from two sources: Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration grants from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and saltwater recreational fishing license revenues, a portion of which serves as the match required to receive the federal funds. This program has a 25+ year history of working in partnership with local coastal governments, recreational fishing interests, and state universities.

Funds are allocated to projects in compliance with federal regulations governing state use of federal aid funds, state procurement regulations and appropriate division rules. Statewide artificial reef development and assessment is accomplished through contracts with local coastal governments, qualified 501(c)(3) non-profit corporations and state universities for local reef development and assessment.

There are three positions which have provided support to the Artificial Fishing Reef Construction and Assessment Program for over 15 years. They perform statewide reef compliance and performance monitoring of reefs as well as provide technical assistance to local coastal governments and other agencies on artificial reef construction issues.

Explanation of Costs:

Description	Amount	Non-Recurring
Reimbursable under the USFWS Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration grant	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: MARINE FISHERIES						77500000
MARINE FISHERIES MGT						77500200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS						990E000
State funded reef development and assessment projects			133,333		133,333	
State match to federal funds			166,667		166,667	
Total Request			\$ 800,000		\$ 800,000	

Benefits:

Development of artificial reefs, either on new sites or to enhance existing sites, provides additional habitat area to benefit important recreational fishing stocks, increases recreational fishing and diving opportunities for state residents and visitors, and enhances coastal community economies. Assessment and monitoring of artificial reefs are essential to understanding the effectiveness of reef design, material, location, and use patterns in achieving the objectives for which the reefs were built. Assessment data will guide future reef development efforts. This capability more completely brings the Division into compliance with its charge to wisely manage and protect marine reef fish resources associated with artificial reefs while causing no harm to the marine environment.

Activity: Artificial Reef Management - ACT5200

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Civic & Governance Systems and the Quality of Life & Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

- (24) Support and sustain statewide and regional partnerships to accomplish Florida's economic and quality of life goals.
- (27) Create and sustain vibrant, safe and healthy communities that attract workers, businesses, residents and visitors.
- (29) Promote, develop, protect and leverage Florida's natural, art and cultural assets in a sustainable manner.

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POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: RESEARCH						77650000
FISH/WILDLIFE RESRCH INST						77650200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						9905000
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY						080000
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AGENCY NARRATIVE:

2013-2014 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: MARINE YOUTH CONSERV FAC IT COMPONENT? NO

Request:

This issue is for spending authority from the Marine Resources conservation Trust Fund to construct an 8,000 square foot youth conservation facility to provide conservation education and outdoor skills programs for youth in west central Florida. Outdoor support facilities, including an outdoor classroom pavilion and small storage building for paddling equipment will occupy an additional 1,000 square feet.

Current Situation:

Today's children devote nearly eight hours a day to entertainment media and "media multi-tasking", while the number of children who spend time hunting and fishing continues to decline dramatically. It is well documented that kids who do not directly engage in the outdoors are less likely to develop a strong stewardship ethic for conserving America's wildlife and their habitats.

The Commission has implemented a new initiative to increase young people's outdoor knowledge and experience. The Florida Youth Center Conservation Network (FYCCN) is a statewide network that employs a "Hub and Spoke" design model. The Hubs (eight sites to date) are Wild Outdoor Centers located within a 45-minute drive of major urban areas that provide deep woods experiences. The Spokes (35 sites to date) are Near Outdoor Centers that offer outdoor experiences that are closest to children in their day-to-day setting. Through effective partnering with schools, communities, youth organizations, volunteers, land owners, and donors, we "connect the dots" between our partner programs in the Near Outdoors programs and the Wild Outdoors centers to enrich and expand participants' understanding of conservation and natural Florida.

There is a 30 year agreement between the Commission, the Tampa Electric Company (TECO), and the Florida Aquarium to build the facility on TECO property; therefore, no additional land purchase is required. The proposed facility will be the first marine-focused location in the Commission's Youth Conservation Centers Network (YCCN), and will be part of a larger Conservation and Technology Park created through an innovative partnership with a private landowner, TECO, the Florida Aquarium, and the Commission. TECO and the Florida Aquarium are creating a number of recreational and educational elements for the proposed facility including canoe/kayak trails, a wildlife viewing tower, wetlands boardwalks, fishing ponds and exhibits associated with coral restoration and marine animal rescue and rehabilitation.

Explanation of Costs:

Description	Fund	Amount	Non-Recurring
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	COL A03	COL A06	COL A07	COL A08	COL A09	
	AGY REQUEST	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	AG FCO PLAN	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
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FISH/WILDLIFE CONSERV COMM						77000000
PGM: RESEARCH						77650000
FISH/WILDLIFE RESRCH INST						77650200
NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON						14
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES						<u>1406.00.00.00</u>
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						9900000
SPECIAL PURPOSE						9905000
Construction-Conservation Education Building		MRCTF	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,600,000		
Construction-Outdoor Classroom/Storage Bldg		MRCTF	100,000	100,000		
Permits, Surveys, Inspections, Site Develop		MRCTF	300,000	300,000		
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Total Request			\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000		
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Benefits:

Legislative approval of this issue will implement an important marine-focused Hub facility to the Commission's Youth Conservation Center Network on the eastern shore of Tampa Bay. The Commission is partnering with the Tampa Electric Company (TECO) and the Florida Aquarium to provide conservation education and outdoor skills programs for children, including canoe/kayak trails, a wildlife viewing tower, wetlands boardwalks, fishing ponds, and exhibits associated with coral restoration and marine animal rescue and rehabilitation.

Activity: FWRI Administrative Services and Facilities Management - ACT0650

Governor's Initiatives:

This request supports the Quality of Life and Quality Places strategies in the Governor's Strategic Plan for Economic Development.

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