



Agenda Item Summary

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Alachua County Household Hazardous Waste Cooperative Collection Center Arrangement Grant

Presenter:

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Description:

Agreement between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and Alachua County for the purpose of conducting Hazardous Waste Collection events in nine (9) neighboring counties.

Recommended Action:

Approve the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) Household Hazardous Waste Co-op Grant No. HHW 401, authorize the Chair to execute same on behalf of the County, and approve the interfund loan in the amount of \$214,000

Prior Board Motions:

This grant is renewed annually upon appropriation of funds by the State of Florida. Alachua County has renewed this grant every year since 1999.

Fiscal Note:

FDEP funding for this reimbursement grant is available for FY24. Future years funding is dependent on annual appropriation by the State of Florida. The total reimbursable costs are estimated to be \$124,000. Additionally, the County will receive \$90,000 for conducting the collection events. The Department is requesting an interfund loan in the amount of \$214,000. All of this is included in Fund 236.

Strategic Guide:

Environment,

Background:

Over the past 24 years, Alachua County has acted as a Host County for the annual FDEP Cooperative Household Hazardous Waste Collection events in several neighboring counties. The current agreement includes collection events in Lafayette, Gilchrist, Columbia, Dixie, Baker, Union, Nassau, Putnam and Bradford. The County has separate interlocal agreements with each neighboring county and these agreements are in effect until FDEP discontinues the appropriation of funding or are terminated by the host or neighboring county.

The FDEP agreement is cost reimbursable and for this year the maximum reimbursement from FDEP

to Alachua County is \$93,000. The interlocal agreements require the neighboring counties to reimburse Alachua County for all expenses incurred that are not covered by FDEP. This year those expenses are estimated to be \$31,000. Additionally, The County will receive \$90,000 from FDEP for acting as the host local government (\$10,000 per County).

Labor, advertisement and disposal costs for the collection events are initially covered by Alachua County. Upon completion of each event, all costs are reimbursed by FDEP and the neighboring counties. An interfund loan in the amount of \$214,000 is requested in order to conduct these Hazardous Waste Collection events.