

FY2025/2026 Local Government Funding Request

Final Inlet Project Assessment

Project Name	New Pass and Big Sarasota Pass Inlet Management Plan Implementation
Local Sponsor	City of Sarasota

Initial Assessment	8/23/2024
Group Assessment	8/27/2024
Draft Assessment	9/2/2024
Final Review	10/8/2024

Project Description
The New Pass and Big Sarasota Pass Project is located between DEP monuments R29 and R30 in City of Sarasota in Sarasota County. Initial dredging was completed in 1964 and maintenance dredging has been conducted every three to five years by the USACE. The New Pass ebb shoal for Lido Key was dredged in 2009, 2015, and 2019. The ebb shoal was dredged in 2016 and 2021 for Longboat Key. The current plan is to update the sediment budget and adopt an IMP for future use of the sediment source. Currently, the USACE has indicated the capability to dredge the federally authorized channel in New Pass as 100% federal costs share. The requested funds are for a feasibility study. Staff have determined that the project is eligible for a 50% state cost share.

Funds will be used for (list project phase, specify which phase is reimbursement, if applicable)
Feasibility (current FY25/26 reimbursement)

State cost share %	50.00%
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Project Budget Table					
	State %	Federal	State	Local	Total
Feasibility	50.00%	\$0.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$350,000.00
Design	0.00%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Construction	0.00%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Year 1 Monitoring	0.00%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Year 2+ Monitoring	0.00%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Project Costs		\$0.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$350,000.00

TOTAL PROJECT SCORE (30 points)	13.44
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TOTAL PROJECT SCORE (80 points)	35.9
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Inlet Management Studies can only be evaluated with three criteria: Sand reaching the inlet, Inlet Management Plans, and Criteria in 161.101(14) Applicable to inlets. Therefore, the project score is normalized by 30 points.

Sand reaching the inlet (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: 118,800 cy per year

Department:

Volume of sand: 0

Severity of erosion (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: 55,100 cy per year

Department:

Target bypassing volume: 0

Balancing the sediment budget (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: 8,300 cy per year since 1991. No formal bypass objective has been adopted. Current strategy listed in the SBMP is to update the sediment budget and adopt an IMP for future use of the sediment source to nourish Longboat Key and Lido Key.

Department: There is no adoption of an IMP, therefore not eligible for the award of points.

CEG calculated value: 0

Increased bypassing improvements (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: No increase proposed and no existing shortfall.

Department: There is no adoption of an IMP, therefore not eligible for the award of points.

CEG calculated value: 0

Cost-effectiveness of using inlet sand (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: No

Department: Proposed project does not include the construction of a major inlet management project component, not eligible for the award of points.

Inlet Management Plans

Existing IMP (5 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: No

Department: Verified

Updated IMP (5 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: No

Department: Verified

New IMP (10 points)	Score	10
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Local Sponsor: Yes

Department: Verified

Enhanced longevity of proximate beach projects (10 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: 40,600 cy per year on Longboat Key and 94,200 cy per year on Lido Key.

Department: There is no adoption of an IMP, therefore not eligible for the award of points.

CEG calculated value: 0

Criteria in 161.101(14) applicable to inlets

Active permits (1 point)	Score	1
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Local Sponsor: State: 0039755-003-JC (7/2/2030)
Federal: SAJ-2014-02347 (2/4/2031)

Department: Verified for New Pass and Big Sarasota Pass

Federal funds available (3 points)	Score	0
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Local Sponsor: No

Department: Verified

Total amount of previous state funding (4 points)	Score	0.44
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Local Sponsor: N/A

Department: Fiscal year 2015/2016 through 2025/2026
Total funds: \$0.00

Secured local funds (2 points)	Score	2
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Local Sponsor: Yes

Department: Signed Resolution was submitted by application deadline.