



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Joe
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Tate
3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below.
N/A
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
County of Wayne
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Guardian Building, 500 Griswold Street, Detroit, MI 48226
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
County of Wayne
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
Representative Joe Tate, 9th District
8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution.
Fox Creek Enclosure Condition Assessment Project:
A. Project Description: The Fox Creek Drain is a county drain established under the Michigan Drain Code in the early 1900s and is approximately 4.5 miles in length. Around 1929, a portion of the drain was enclosed. The Fox Creek Enclosure (FCE) transports sewage from communities in both Wayne and Macomb Counties to Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) facilities for treatment and GLWA has expressed interest in assuming jurisdiction over the FCE under certain terms, including funding for the FCE to be

inspected and any necessary repairs performed prior to the Drainage District's relinquishment of the FCE to GLWA. This project will allow for the transfer of the FCE to GLWA, and GLWA would then perform an assessment, effectuate necessary repairs and integrate the FCE as a part of GLWA's regional wastewater disposal system. Through this process the FCE Condition Assessment Project provides a significant opportunity to improve the operations and resiliency of GLWA's regional wastewater system.

B. Funding Request: \$5M

C. Funding Challenges: The Fox Creek Drain is subject to the annual statutory maintenance limit of \$10,000/mile/drain. Thus, it is not feasible to undertake the FCE condition assessment and any necessary repairs as part of annual drain maintenance.

D. Community Impact: Optimization of the FCE could help manage and reduce sewer flow levels within the regional and local systems and could lessen the risk of basement back-ups and street flooding in severe rainfall events.

This project will benefit multiple Wayne County communities including Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Harper Woods, and other customers of GLWA's regional wastewater system.

E. Project Status: Next steps are to secure funding, execute the necessary relinquishment agreement, and obtain approval from GLWA's Board of Directors and the Wayne County Commission. Once funding is secured, a relinquishment could occur in as little time as 90 to 120 days and GLWA would take immediate action to initiate an inspection and complete any repairs by the end of 2026.

9. Attach documents here if needed:

Attachments added to the end of this file.

10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item.

5000000

11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.

["Federal","State","Local","Private"]

12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:

Local unit government

13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months?

Not applicable

14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months?

Not applicable

15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors?

Not applicable

16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.'

N/A

17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item:

10/01/2025 – 9/31/26

19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."

Yes