

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pinellas County and the City of Clearwater and other NPDES Co-Permittees for Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

SUMMARY:

The monitoring program is a requirement of the MS4 (Municipal separate storm sewer system) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The program assesses the status and long-term trends of water quality parameters in watersheds, measures the effectiveness of the Stormwater Management Plan implementation in watersheds, identifies potential water quality pollutant "hotspot" areas to be targeted for corrective action, and supports the development and implementation of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs).

The City is responsible for 12.19% of costs based on percentage of acreage in Pinellas County. The annual cost for Clearwater is estimated to be around \$79,000.

This agreement is effective until 2025.

APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:

Funds are available in cost code 4191365-530300, contractual services, to fund this agreement for the current year. Future year funds will be requested as part of the budget process.