



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 07/01/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Chedrick Greene

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Bay County Department of Water and Sewer

4. Physical address of legislatively directed spending item recipient and the intended location of the project or activity:

3933 Patterson Road, Bay City, MI 48706

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-2315337

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$610,000.00

7. What is the purpose and how does the legislatively directed spending item provide a public benefit that is an appropriate use of taxpayer money?

The proposed expansion of agri-business processing facilities in Northern Bay County represents a critical opportunity to strengthen the agricultural economy in the Bay County. However, current wastewater discharge limitations and capacity issues within the existing collection and wastewater treatment facility constrain this growth. The improvements are essential to ensure reliable, efficient, compliant conveyance and treatment of increased flows. The proposed infrastructure upgrades directly address public health protection, environmental stewardship, and long-term regulatory compliance for the Northern Region of Bay County. Without these improvements, continued solids accumulation and hydraulic constraints increase the likelihood of sanitary sewer overflows, emergency repairs, odor issues, and costly service disruptions. In addition to hydraulic increases, the expanded food processing

operations will significantly increase organic and solids loading to the regional wastewater treatment plant. Upgrades to biological treatment processes, aeration capacity, solids separation, and sludge handling systems are necessary to maintain treatment efficiency, prevent permit violations, protect receiving waters, and extend the useful life of existing assets. Proactively modernizing the treatment facility will improve operational reliability, energy efficiency, and process resilience, while positioning the plant to accommodate future industrial or population growth within the region. Funding through this request and other federal funding programs will make the project a reality. From an economic development perspective, this project represents a strategic and responsible use of taxpayer funds within Bay County. Expanding production capacity will allow the agri-businesses to increase local agricultural purchasing, create and retain quality manufacturing jobs, and strengthen the region's food processing supply chain. At the same time, improving the regional wastewater treatment plant ensures that public infrastructure keeps pace with private investment, preventing growth from being limited by capacity constraints. By leveraging LDSI Appropriations funding to enhance infrastructure reliability and treatment performance, the State of Michigan will support sustainable job creation, expand the regional tax base, reduce long-term public costs, and enhance the long-term competitiveness and environmental sustainability of Bay County.

8. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received or been awarded any of the following types of funding in the past 5 years? If so, how much? Check all that apply:

N/A

Amount

N/A

9. Estimated time frame for completion of the legislatively directed spending item project:

Project would start in the Fall of 2026 with completion in the Fall of 2027.

10. Is the recipient a nonprofit corporation?

No

Additional Information for Nonprofit Corporations (if applicable)

The answer to questions 1 to 3 must be "Yes" for the nonprofit corporation to qualify for a legislatively directed spending item.

1. Has the nonprofit corporation continuously operated in this state for the preceding 36 months?

No

2. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?

No

3. Does the organization have a board of directors?

No

4. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:

N/A

Certification By Sponsoring Legislator

"I certify that my immediate family members, legislative staff members, and I have no direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the requested legislatively directed spending item."

"I certify that the intended recipient of this legislatively directed spending item is not a for-profit entity."

"I certify that the information in this form is true to the best of my knowledge."

Senator Chedrick Greene