

# Florida Water, Sewer & Stormwater Infrastructure Brief

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## Summary

South Florida municipalities are entering a sustained infrastructure investment cycle driven by three converging forces: post-flood FEMA recovery (Fort Lauderdale), stormwater system modernization with rate increases (Miami), and development-driven utility extensions across the I-95 corridor (Jacksonville). Fort Lauderdale has increased its stormwater construction contract capacity to \$24.4M and is issuing Stormwater Revenue Bonds in 2026. Miami doubled stormwater rates for the first time since 1998, generating \$14.8M in new annual revenue earmarked for system upgrades, while directing the City Manager to prepare a general obligation bond referendum for August 2026. Jacksonville's residential pipeline alone includes 3,000+ new units requiring water and sewer extensions across multiple council districts. Below: contract-level detail, capital signals, regulatory drivers, and procurement indicators relevant to water, sewer, and stormwater product sales across the Florida market.

## Fort Lauderdale, FL

### Stormwater Construction Contracts

Contractor	Contract	Status / Signal
FG Construction, LLC	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. Part of 6-contractor pool, cap increased to \$24.4M
Man-Con, Inc.	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. FEMA flood repair work (April 2023 event)
Southern Underground Industries	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. 75% FEMA / 12.5% State / 12.5% City cost share
David Mancini & Sons	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. Post-flood repair and restoration
Southeastern Engineering Contractors	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. Continuing contract through Oct 2027
DP Development, LLC	Annual Stormwater Infrastructure	Active. Sixth contractor in pool

*Distributor signal: The \$10.4M contract increase (from \$14M to \$24.4M cap) is FEMA-driven flood repair. These six contractors are the active buyers of stormwater pipe, fittings, and drainage materials in Fort Lauderdale through October 2027.*

### Water Treatment & Engineering

Project / Contract	Value	Status / Signal
Prospect Lake Water Treatment Plant Enabling Works Basile USA, LLC 12-inch C900 potable water main installation	<b>\$401K</b>	Awarded. Connects to existing 20" and 12" mains. Enables new 50 MGD Clean Water Center replacing aging Fiveash WTP. 90-day completion.
Bridge Design & Structural Engineering Kimley-Horn, CHA Consulting, Michael Baker, RJ Behar Includes water/wastewater structure scope	<b>\$2.4M (3-yr)</b>	Awarded. 4-firm pool. Scope includes seawalls, water/wastewater structures, drainage design, utility coordination and relocation.
Infrastructure Advisory Board Permanent board replacing ITFAC (est. 2017)	<b>N/A</b>	First reading Feb 10. Reviews stormwater, water, wastewater, seawalls, roads. Signals long-term infrastructure planning commitment.
Stormwater Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 Special Assessment Revenue and Revenue Refunding Bonds	<b>TBD</b>	Bond counsel appointed Jan 8. Funds stormwater system improvements, seawalls, and WIFIA loan refunding.

Project / Contract	Value	Status / Signal
Sewer Laterals Code Update City Attorney drafting code language	<b>N/A</b>	In progress. Presentation expected late Spring 2026. New code requirements will drive private-side sewer lateral replacement work.

*Pipeline note: The Prospect Lake Clean Water Center (50 MGD capacity) replacing the aging Fiveash WTP is the largest single water infrastructure project in Fort Lauderdale. The enabling works contract signals that design is advancing toward major construction procurement. The 2026 Stormwater Revenue Bond issuance will fund the next wave of capital projects.*

## Miami, FL

### Capital & Regulatory Signals

Project / Action	Value / Impact	Status / Signal
Stormwater Rate Increase Chapter 18, Article VIII amendment First increase since 1998	<b>\$14.8M/yr new revenue</b>	Approved Jan 8. Residential rates doubled (\$3.50 to \$7.00/mo). Non-residential charged by impervious area (1,191 sq ft ERU). \$0.50 annual escalator. Funds stormwater master plan execution.
General Obligation Bond Referendum Infrastructure, drainage, resiliency Directed by Commissioner Pardo	<b>TBD</b>	City Manager directed Jan 13 to analyze bonding capacity. Resolution for April 9 Commission meeting. Referendum on Aug 18, 2026 primary ballot. Covers aging infrastructure, drainage, resiliency.
Omni CRA Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 Includes stormwater and infrastructure	<b>\$150M</b>	Authorized Dec 11. Funds housing, streets, stormwater, parking, baywalks. Morgan Stanley purchaser. Max maturity July 2047.
Illicit Stormwater Discharge Ordinance Chapter 49 amendment Sponsors: Pardo, King, Escalona	<b>\$500/day penalty</b>	Second reading Feb 10. Prohibits private connections to stormwater system. Enforcement will drive compliant reconnection work requiring new pipe, fittings, and proper connections.
South Florida Water Management District MOU C-4 Basin stormwater pump operations	<b>N/A</b>	Approved Nov 20. Cooperative guidelines for pump operations before, during, and after major storms. Coordination signal for pump and controls procurement.
Density Doubling in Resilience Fund Areas T4, T5, T6 transect zones Omni/Edgewater, Venetian Isles	<b>N/A</b>	Under consideration. 100% density increase allowed with Resilience Trust Fund contribution. Will drive sewer, water, and stormwater capacity upgrades in designated areas.
NE Miami Place Stormwater & Drainage OMNI CRA funded, sidewalks/curbs/gutters/paving	<b>\$130K</b>	Approved Jan 27. CRA-funded right-of-way improvements between NE 14th and 15th Streets.

*Distributor signal: Miami's stormwater rate doubling is the most significant revenue signal in this report. \$14.8M in new annual revenue, plus a \$0.50/year escalator, creates a dedicated and growing funding stream for stormwater pipe, pump, and drainage material procurement. The August 2026 GO bond referendum, if approved, will add further capital for infrastructure replacement. The illicit discharge ordinance will generate enforcement-driven demand for compliant connections and replacement pipe.*

## Pompano Beach, FL

Project / Contract	Value	Status / Signal
Wastewater Collection System Hydraulic Model & Master Plan Carollo Engineers, Inc. Work Authorization No. 28	<b>\$487K</b>	Feb 10 agenda. Updates and calibrates citywide wastewater collection model. Master plan output will identify capacity deficiencies and drive capital project prioritization for sewer rehabilitation and replacement.

*Pipeline note: Master plan updates are leading indicators. The model calibration will identify sewer segments requiring rehabilitation or replacement, generating construction bids within 12-24 months. Carollo Engineers is the design firm to watch for downstream project scoping.*

# Jacksonville, FL

## Development-Driven Utility Demand

Jacksonville's infrastructure activity is driven by large-scale residential development requiring new water and sewer extensions. The city's 2026-2030 CIP is actively being amended to fund transportation and drainage projects, and JEA (the municipal utility) is executing easements for drainage and utility infrastructure. The following residential rezonings represent near-term demand signals for water main, sewer main, and stormwater infrastructure construction.

Development / Rezoning	Units	Water/Sewer Signal
Wright Parcel PUD 0 Parete Rd S & Arnold Rd District 8, 508 acres	<b>1,000 SF</b>	PUD approved. Water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure required. Roads dedicated to City upon completion.
Yellow Water Road FLUM Revision 0 Yellow Water Rd District 12, 337 acres	<b>Up to 1,686</b>	Approved 18-0. Requires 253K-337K GPD water and 202K-270K GPD sewer capacity. Sanitary sewer and water lines must be extended to site.
Cedar Bay Road Rezoning 0 Cedar Bay Rd District 2, 11.58 acres	<b>Up to 81 SF</b>	Approved 13-4. Connection to city water and sewer required.
Morse Avenue PUD 5735/5807 Morse Ave District 14, 9.7 acres	<b>89 SF</b>	Introduced Jan 13. Stormwater retention required. Water and sewer extensions needed.

*Distributor signal: The Yellow Water Road project alone requires 250,000+ GPD of new water and sewer capacity, meaning substantial main extensions. Combined with the Wright Parcel (1,000 units) and other rezonings, Jacksonville's residential pipeline represents thousands of linear feet of new water main, sewer main, and service connections over the next 2-4 years.*

## Environmental & Sewer System Context

The 2024 State of the River Report for the Lower St. Johns River Basin, presented to Jacksonville Council in January 2026, provides critical context for sewer infrastructure demand: the city has over 60,000 septic tanks, with 24,000 identified for connection to the municipal sewer system. Septic-to-sewer conversion is the single largest source of fecal indicator bacteria in the St. Johns River system. The Biltmore and Beverly Hills neighborhoods have been completed, and Christobel is in progress. Additionally, there were 181 sanitary sewer overflow events in 2024. This ongoing septic elimination program represents a multi-billion-dollar, multi-decade demand signal for sewer main extensions, service connections, and related materials.

## Capital Improvement Program Activity

Project	Value	Status
Pecan Park Rd Widening (I-95 to Main St) Includes drainage improvements	<b>\$5.0M (E&amp;D;)</b>	Approved Jan 27. Engineering & design phase. Resolves long-standing drainage issue at Main St intersection.
Dunn Ave at Braddock Rd Signal Improvements FDOT locally funded agreement	<b>\$4.4M</b>	Approved Jan 27. Includes underground utility work. FDOT construction starts FY July 2026.
Bay Street Pedestrian Safety Improvements Includes underground utilities, drainage	<b>\$6.0M</b>	Emergency approved Jan 27. FDOT grant + developer funding. 2-phase construction through Dec 2029.
Downtown Dredging & Waterways FIND grant, 7 public docking sites	<b>\$3.4M</b>	Grant application authorized. \$1.5M FIND, \$1.8M City match.
JEA Drainage Easement Cosentino Sidetrack area	<b>N/A</b>	Emergency approved 19-0. Perpetual stormwater drainage easement on JEA property.
Starratt Rd / Yellow Bluff Rd Intersection CIP project, CRA investment pool	<b>\$1.2M</b>	Redirected from reserves. Brings project total to ~\$6M. Includes infrastructure improvements.

*Pipeline note: Jacksonville's 2026-2030 CIP is being actively amended with multiple fund transfers and new project additions. The Pecan Park Rd drainage resolution and Bay Street underground utility work are near-term construction signals. The 24,000-unit septic-to-sewer conversion program is the largest long-term demand driver in the Florida market for sewer materials.*

## Tampa, FL

Project / Contract	Value	Status
Grit & Jet Vac Debris Loading and Removal for Wastewater Bid discount procurement	<b>TBD</b>	Resolution on agenda. Wastewater operations maintenance contract. Limited detail available.

## What This Means

The Florida water, sewer, and stormwater market is being shaped by three distinct but reinforcing demand drivers across the state's major metros:

**Fort Lauderdale: Post-disaster rebuild + long-term modernization.** The \$10.4M stormwater contract increase is FEMA-driven and immediate. But the larger signal is the 2026 Stormwater Revenue Bond issuance and the Prospect Lake Clean Water Center (50 MGD), which together represent a multi-year procurement cycle for pipe, valves, treatment equipment, and related materials. Six named contractors are the active buyers.

**Miami: Revenue mobilization for deferred maintenance.** The stormwater rate doubling (first since 1998) is not a one-time event. It is a \$14.8M/year revenue stream with a built-in escalator, purpose-built to fund the Stormwater Master Plan. The August 2026 GO bond referendum will likely add billions in bonding capacity for drainage, resiliency, and aging infrastructure. The \$150M Omni CRA bond issuance adds further capital. Miami is transitioning from deferred maintenance to active procurement.

**Jacksonville: Growth-driven utility expansion.** The residential development pipeline (3,000+ units across active rezonings) requires new water and sewer main extensions at scale. The 24,000-unit septic-to-sewer conversion program is a generational infrastructure project that will drive demand for sewer materials for decades. The 2026-2030 CIP is being amended continuously to fund drainage and transportation projects with underground utility components.

Firms selling pipe, valves, hydrants, fittings, meters, and related underground utility products into the Florida market should be tracking these contractors, engineering firms, and council actions on a continuous basis. The procurement signals are public and trackable at the agenda-item level.

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