

SOLICITATION WAIVER

This form is for requesting an exemption to a quote, bid, RFP or RFQ. If under \$50,000 will require County Administrator approval and if over \$50,000 the request will need BCC approval. Use your cursor to hover over a field for help.
Please send completed and digitally signed form to **Procurement@marionfl.org**

Date: 4/23/2026 Using Department: Parks

Request Type: Requesting Department: Parks

- Bid Exemption
- Standardization of Product/Brand
- Sole Source Provider of Good/Service
- Piggyback Agency _____

Purchase 1 time or recurring purchase with this year's total expenditure estimated is at \$ 312,500.00

Justification and/or Description:

Relocation of up to 69 gopher tortoises is required to support construction of the Taxiway A project. While Hoyle Tanner's design scope included environmental services for identification, it did not include the cost for a permitted recipient site. This gap was not identified prior to solicitation and award of construction. A permitted recipient site is required for relocation under regulatory guidelines, and removal cannot occur without it. To maintain compliance and avoid impacts to the project schedule, Atlantic Ecological Services was engaged to provide recipient site services. The total cost is \$312,500, representing the lowest available option with sufficient capacity after multiple sites were considered. The project is grant-funded (FAA 90%, FDOT 8%), and these costs are eligible within the overall funding structure. Payment requests associated with the permitted relocation of 69 tortoises are being processed, upon Board approval, in accordance with the services provided.

[Signature]
Project Manager Signature:

[Signature]
Director Signature:

***Procurement Use Only**

The following request is in accordance with the Procurement Manual, and meets the requirements to complete the exemption request and DOES DOES NOT require Board Approval.

[Signature] 4/23/26
PCA: Date:

[Signature] 4-23-26
Procurement Director: Date:

Do not sign below without prior signatures from Procurement Services above.

County Administrator Signature

Chairman Signature