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1. Name and Title: Brooke Smith, Grants-Legislative Liaison

2. Department: Grants

3. Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 2, 2025

4. Requested Action:

Requesting the Levy County Board of County Commissioners to approve the Levy County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center Grant Agreement (HW608) with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for \$100,000.00 for the County to construct a household hazardous waste collection center.

5. Cost & Funding Source:

The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) received funding from the Florida Legislature through Specific Appropriation Line Item No. 1593, Solid Waste Management Trust Fund, Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026, General Appropriations Act, for the purpose of providing assistance for household hazardous waste collection center construction performed by Levy County (Grantee). In accordance with Section 403.7265(4), Florida Statutes (F.S.), the Grantee will develop a hazardous waste collection facility to provide local hazardous waste collection in Levy County. The Grantee received this funding on a cost reimbursement basis up to a maximum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of developing a hazardous waste collection center described in Section 403.7265(4), F.S. Authority for this Project is specified in Section 403.7265(4), F.S. Monitoring and auditing guidelines, as related to the Florida Single Audit Act, are specified in the Florida Catalog of State Financial Assistance (CSFA), No. 37.010. Any subsequent policies regarding local hazardous waste collection centers with the Department shall be provided to the Grantee during the term of this Agreement.

6. Justification of Request:

The Grantee has operated an existing hazardous waste center at the Levy County Solid Waste Facility. To accommodate operational needs and enhance safety for staff, the aging infrastructure needs to be replaced. The current hazardous waste building, which is over 30 years old, has been significantly deteriorated by chemical exposure. As part of the renovation, the three chemically disposable sections and the fire sprinkler system will be replaced to address safety concerns and ensure the facility meets modern standards. The center is also located within a Class III landfill, and records indicate that operations have been conducted since 1993. The renovation plans



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will assess necessary modifications to improve functionality, ensure compliance with safety regulations, and support the efficient handling of household hazardous waste. It is anticipated that a storm water permit modification may be required, along with additional storm water storage capacity. Additionally, since the facility currently lacks water, sewer, or electrical services, the design may need to incorporate these elements to support safe and effective operations in the renovated facility. The match requirement for this grant has been waived due to the REDI status of Levy County.