

Point Mackenzie Correctional Farm Produce Processing Plant

FY2026 Request: \$3,080,000
Reference No: 66166

AP/AL: Appropriation

Project Type: Life / Health / Safety

Category: Public Protection

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2030

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Purchase and installation of the remaining equipment needed to fully establish the Produce Processing Plant at Point Mackenzie Correctional Farm. The Department of Corrections (DOC) originally requested and received \$1,500.0 for a produce processing plant at the Point McKenzie Correctional Farm (PMCF). The department solicited and negotiated a contract with Coffman Engineers to complete a bid ready design for the construction of the plant. Due to increased construction and equipment costs, the overall amount has increased requiring additional funding to complete the project.

Funding:	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Total
1004 Gen Fund	\$3,080,000						\$3,080,000
Total:	\$3,080,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,080,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec8 Ch1 SLA2021 P71 L15 HB69 \$1,500,000

Project Description/Justification:

The DOC has redesigned this project and has initiated a phased approach, delaying some equipment and infrastructure needs, which has allowed the initial phase to start, and is expected to be completed by the end of calendar year 2024.

Fund would allow the DOC to purchase and install the remaining equipment needed to fully support the Produce Processing Plant. The remaining equipment includes:

- Ten large distribution freezer units
- Chiller blancher /rotary drum cooker
- Steam boiler
- Water chiller
- Heat exchanger
- Blast/shock freezer
- Conveyer tables

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Once completed, the PMCF will be able to process the current harvested produce and provide long term freezer storage for year-round distribution. Completion of this project will assist the department with food security efforts, providing frozen vegetables throughout the institutions, offsetting inmate food costs.

No federal grants or other funding is available.