



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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## **Plymouth County**

# **MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT**

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In accordance with A&F Policies, the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project is submitting this cover memo for the FY 2020 Spending Plan. This Plan is consistent with A&F policies, the SRMCB policies and the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project's fiscal priorities and policies. PCMCP continues to redefine core programs and consider ways to deliver them more efficiently and work to optimize functions within the project.

The Project is requesting an appropriation of \$1,896,764.00 a 3.5 percent increase in appropriation funding to maintain current levels of mosquito control service and provide the service mandates of MGL. 252.

The Project last year had a funded budget of \$1,832,622.00 and achieved the required controlled spending using the following measures:

- Carefully managed and maintained vehicles and equipment.
- Elimination of non-essential Project spending on non-essential service needs.
- Continual action that takes advantage of new technologies that reduce costs, improve production and ensures the health and safety of the public.
- A review of the efficacy and cost efficiency of PCMCP's present adulticide and larvaicide programs.

The Project in the FY 2020 spending plan will require increases in spending within the following budget categories:

**Salaries:** A 3% COLA increase and step increases for qualifying employees over FY 2019 budget.

**Pesticide:** The Project is requesting \$130,000 for larvicide and adulticide. This figure may change as result of "Risk levels".

**Retirement & Fringe Benefits:** The project has incurred increase cost and we are assuming an increase from the FY19 budget amount of \$427,561.01 increased to \$452,977 for FY2020 budget. (Excluding unknown Workers Comp expenses)

**Office and administrative requirements:** with the projects implementation of new systems, administrative and data base management (surveillance and monitoring) and the record keeping costs is not completely known. An additional \$14,000 is budgeted for DPH lab fees.

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Lease, utilities and fuel cost: The Project plans to be in our new facility in FY19. The DCAMM lease schedule increases yearly for the planned 10 year lease. The airplane hangar will also be new and increase yearly for 10 years. Both are expected to be at significant increases from the old leases. Other facility costs are projected to increase as energy costs (heating and electric) continue to rise.

Aerial Spraying: FY 2020 aerial spraying of about 12,000 acres with liquid 12 AS BTI and the summer aerial salt marsh and fresh water wetlands application with VectoBac CG granular larvicide will be done again.

Capital Funds: as a result of not being able to set aside funding for the replacement of end of life equipment, the ongoing expense of \$27,000 is budgeted to pay for the TELP loan for replacing four spray trucks thru 2023. The project plans to replace (FY19 or FY20) its 2000 Chevy 7500 at \$60,000 - \$70,000 and funds are budgeted for the excavator's maintenance.

Unfunded Liabilities: Future employee retirement expenses (20% of their sick time and vacation time) potential Workmen's Compensation and Long Term Illness program that are not funded.