



OTTAWA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The GATEWAY to Natural Resource Management

Gypsy Moth Township Contact,

The time has come, once again, for your township to review the proposal for inclusion in the Y2006 Ottawa County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program. Enclosed, please find an updated program budget and cost-share break-down for Y2006, an "Intergovernmental Agreement", a digitized map of gypsy moth infested lands in your township which have qualified for inclusion in the Y2006 Michigan Cooperative Gypsy Moth Suppression Program.

If your township wishes to participate in the program, the qualified areas will be sprayed aerially with Bt., a biological pesticide used to control the gypsy moth, as we have done in previous years. *Please note that participation in this program is STRONGLY encouraged, as gypsy moth numbers are on the rise state-wide. In 1996, Ottawa County sprayed 23,000 acres of infested land which cost the county and the participating townships hundreds of thousands of dollars. We are doing everything possible to avoid an infestation of such catastrophic proportions. Frequently treating "hot-spots" reduces the probability that we will again face such an overwhelming population explosion in the future.*

If you plan to participate in this year's program, please notify me by phone (616) 402-4741 or by email lizabethanne74@yahoo.com within one week of receipt of this package. Also, please review the Intergovernmental Agreement (the same one we have used for the last several years), sign it, date it and return it to me by the date indicated on the enclosed timeline. *Also, please note that I will need mailing labels for included homeowners as outlined in the Intergovernmental Agreement by April 15. I will be happy to provide electronic shapefiles of spray areas to help facilitate this process.*

Please contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Thank you for your time,

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Ottawa County Gypsy Moth Program Y2006 Amended Budget and Cost Share Breakdown

Gypsy Moth Submitted Budget Y2006

	<i>Estimated (based upon 1538 acres @ \$35/acre)</i>
Administrative Costs	\$48,475
Spray Costs	\$53,725
TOTAL program costs	\$102,200

Gypsy Moth Submitted Cost-share and Program Billing

	<i>Admin</i>	<i>Spray</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
50 % MDA	\$24,238	\$26,863	\$51,100
25% Ottawa County	\$12,119	\$13,431	\$25,550
25% Townships	\$12,119	\$13,431	\$25,550
TOTAL	\$48,475	\$53,725	\$102,200

Changes in budget:

Spray costs are based upon an *estimated* number of qualified acreage at an *estimated* per/acre bid price. Actual acreage is not actually known until 12/05, and the actual price/acre is not actually known until 3/06. Actual acreage is 538 acres MORE than estimated, and actual bid price is over \$20/acre LESS than estimated.

Changes in cost-share:

Due to a 54% budget cut in the USDA funds requested by the MDA, the MDA will be reimbursing the full 50% of total spray costs and only 54% of the administrative costs eligible for cost share according to the Grant Agreement between the MDA and Ottawa County which equates to \$13,088. (see attached letter from MDA for breakdown)

Gypsy Moth Amended Budget Y2006

	<i>Estimated (based upon 1538 acres @ 14.85/acre)</i>
Administrative Costs	\$48,475.00
Spray Costs	\$22,839.30
TOTAL program costs	\$71,314.30

Gypsy Moth ACTUAL Cost-share and Program Billing Situation

	<i>Admin</i>	<i>Spray</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
MDA	\$13,088.00	\$11,419.65	\$24,507.65
Ottawa County	\$17,693.50	\$5709.83	\$23,403.33
Townships	\$17,693.50	\$5709.83	\$23,403.33
TOTAL	\$48,475.00	\$22,839.30	\$71,314.30

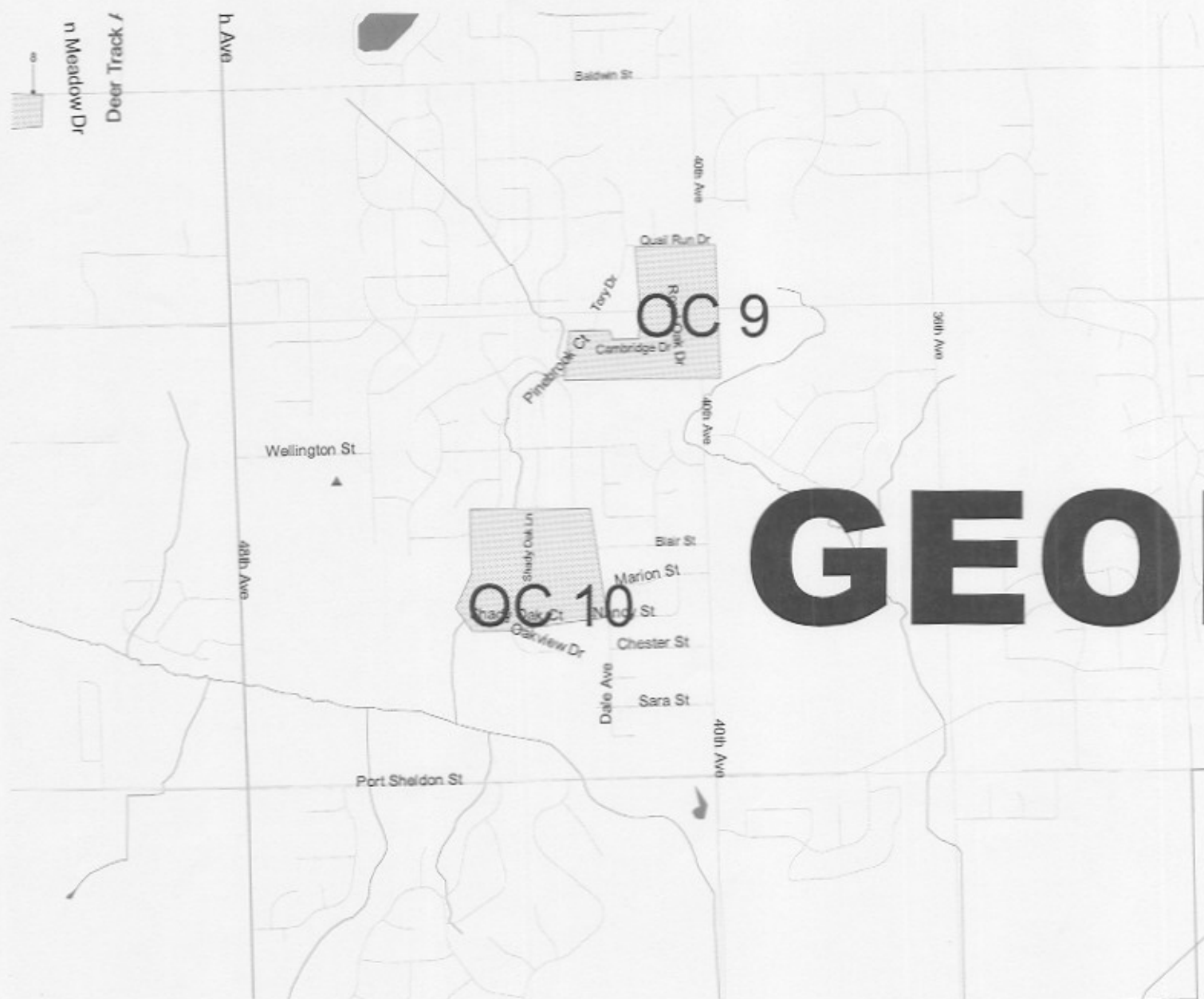
Township Cost Breakdown












Total of Township portion of Ottawa County Gypsy Moth Program Costs (see above table) = \$23,403.33

Total costs divided by total acreage to be treated = \$15.217/acre

Township	Acreage	(# acres) x (\$15.217/acre) = Twp cost
<i>Grand Haven</i>	434	<i>\$6,604.18</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	892	<i>\$13,573.56</i>
<i>Blendon</i>	125	<i>\$1,902.13</i>
<i>Georgetown</i>	87	<i>\$1,323.88</i>

Proposed Y2006 Ottawa County Treatment Blocks Georgetown Township



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-  2006 public spray.shp
-  Civil Names
-  Twp_section_boundaries.shp
-  Roads.shp
-  FCC Aerial Hazards.shp
-  Section Corners
-  Railroads.shp
-  Hydrology.shp
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