8. **CITY MANAGER**

a. Informational Items

iii. Notification from the State Bureau of Invasive Plant Management of a grant award in the amount of $7,440

Crystal Mansell

From: Rob Loflin
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2009 7:28 AM
To: Sylvia A. Edwards; Ken Cuyler
Cc: Frances J. Slane; Judie A. Zimomra
Subject: RE: new cost savings for pepper program
Attachments: HERBICIDE BANK REQUEST rev. BIPM 2-09.doc

Attached is the grant application I sent and the exchange of e-mails and grant confirmation I received.

No worries, Rob. I can send you the extra E4. I'll put the order in today. You should receive it within 10 days, but let me know when it actually arrives. I don't need a shipping label, just confirmation of delivery.

If you stick with the JLB, I would like to hear how it works for you. My vendor said she had complaints that it didn't work as well as it used to, so they weren't going to carry something they couldn't guarantee. But that implies that other people used it without complaint. I may look into getting a 'generic' JLB, if such exists, for next year's herbicide contract.

-Rook

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From: Rob Loflin [mailto:rob.loflin@mysanibel.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 8:14 AM
To: Cleary, Ruark
Subject: RE: Herbicide Bank Request from City of Sanibel

Rook,

Thanks for your prompt response. I have researched Diluent Blue and the only issue when compared with JLB oil plus improved is that is petroleum based rather than vegetable oil based and we have been trying to use the greenest possible product. I've attached a revised request which drops the JLB oil plus improved in favor of an increased request for Element 4. Please let me know if this will work for you.

Thanks again for all your help!

Rob

From: Cleary, Ruark [mailto:Ruark.Cleary@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2009 3:07 PM
To: Rob Loflin
Subject: RE: Herbicide Bank Request from City of Sanibel

Hi Rob,

I don't have JLB on order this year—only Diluent Blue. The manufacturer changed the formulation of JLB and my vendor refused to carry it anymore. But DB I can get in 15 gal returnables. If that works for you, I will place the order today. The E4 is no problem.

-Rook

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From: Rob Loflin [mailto:rob.loflin@mysanibel.com]
Sent: Monday, February 16, 2009 4:11 PM
To: Cleary, Ruark
Subject: Herbicide Bank Request from City of Sanibel

Ruark,

Attached is a request for help with herbicides from BIPM. Thanks for all your continuing efforts to control exotics statewide, it's a mostly thankless but absolutely critical job. At least the wildlife that benefit will thank-you!

Rob Loflin

From: Sylvia A. Edwards
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2009 9:10 AM
To: Rob Loflin
Cc: Frances J. Slane
Subject: FW: new cost savings for pepper program

Rob,

Please provide the documentation you received.

Thank you,

Sylvia Edwards
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Fax (239) 472-3065

From: Judie A. Zimomra
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2009 8:37 AM
To: Sylvia A. Edwards
Cc: Pamela Smith; Rob Loflin

Subject: Re: new cost savings for pepper program

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Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone provided by Alltel

From: "Sylvia A. Edwards"
Date: Fri, 20 Feb 2009 08:06:30 -0500
To: Rob Loflin<rob.loflin@mysanibel.com>; Judie A. Zimomra<J.Zimomra@mysanibel.com>
Subject: RE: new cost savings for pepper program

A budget amendment will need to be prepared to recognize the value of the grant assistance (revenue) and value of the supplies provided (expenditure).

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From: Rob Loflin
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 2:11 PM
To: Judie A. Zimomra
Cc: Ken Cuyler; Sylvia A. Edwards
Subject: new cost savings for pepper program

I just received word from the State Bureau of Invasive Plant Management that my request for assistance with herbicide costs has been granted
In the amount of $7440. This somewhat unusual assistance program directly delivers the herbicide requested. Since we are getting this directly with no contract involved,
I am assuming no other action is needed to accept these herbicides for the pepper program. It will reduce the amount I will spend on herbicides for the current
fiscal year by the same amount.

Herbicide Bank Request Form

Requestor: Robert K. Loflin, Ph.D., Natural Resources Director, City of Sanibel
Phone: 239 472-3700 **E-mail:** rob.loflin@mysanibel.com

Management Unit Name and Task Assignment # (if re-treatment): Sanibel Gardens Preserve (260 acres) and Sanibel State Botanical Site (405 acres) - both are sites where State BIPM funds have been used for initial exotic tree removal and/or maintenance in the past (but I could not find task assignment #'s)

Delivery Address for Herbicide (where you want the truck to show up):

Public Works Department, City of Sanibel, 750 Dunlop Rd., Sanibel, FL. 33957

Mailing Address for your office (if different from delivery address):

800 Dunlop Rd. , Sanibel, FL. 33957

Briefly describe the project site, including total project area size:

These sites are both maintenance re-treatments of re-sprout and seedling exotic trees on City managed dedicated conservation lands totaling approximately 665 acres. The City normally has funds available to maintain these properties on a yearly basis but due to reduced tax revenues this year, we are requesting assistance from BIPM. These properties are dominated by rare barrier island freshwater wetland savannah habitat which is vegetated with smooth cordgrass, leatherfern, sawgrass, and a wide variety of sedges and rushes. Interposed with the wetland swales are upland ridges vegetated with also rare West Indian hardwood hammock forest dominated by gumbo limbo, mastic, strangler fig, Jamaican dogwood, wild olive, wild lime, catsclaw and cabbage palm. Exotic trees and shrubs that establish themselves on these preserves are usually treated using basal bark herbicide treatments annually with a four-person field crew carrying 3 gallon sprayers . We generally treat any EPPC listed species encountered by the field crew but on these lands we are especially plagued with Brazilian pepper, Australian pine, lead tree, java plum, air potato and rosary pea. The City has an ongoing Island-wide Brazilian Pepper Eradication Program (we have succeeded, knock on wood, in eradicating Melaleuca from the island). Treating these properties is critical in minimizing the seed source of BP in particular on this ~ 11, 000 acre island with approximately 68% in dedicated conservation lands including the ~ 5200 acre J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge immediately adjacent to these lands which is currently being treated with BIPM funding assistance.

List the type or brand* of herbicide/adjuvant requested and treatment info:

Species	Acres	Method	Herbicide	Quantity
Brazilian pepper, etc. (see above)	665	Basal Bark Treatment	Element 4 in 2.5 gallon size	120 gallons

*IPMS reserves the right to substitute equivalent generics

Send completed form to:

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