

**MONTANA AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES ACT AGREEMENT II
BETWEEN THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (MDA) AND
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS (DFWP)**

April 15, 2010

Agreement # 10-30-012

COMMENCEMENT/EXPIRATION DATE

1. This agreement replaces the July 2009 Agreement on the date of its signing and will last until June 30, 2011 or until it is terminated under Section 9.

AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES

2. ~~The Departments met and created a budget (Attachment A) to fund projects related to combating the introduction or spread of aquatic invasive species including a public information plan (PIP) and additional check stations.~~
3. Montana Department of Agriculture (MDA) will provide Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (DFWP) with funding for projects (Sections 5 through 7). Prior to any significant departures from line item estimated cost amounts, DFWP will obtain written approval from MDA. Each agency may supplement any portion of this agreement with their own department funding as well.
4. Total funding for these projects may not exceed \$150,702. Funding will be provided to DFWP within 30 days of receipt of request for reimbursement.

PROJECTS

5. During FY 2010 and FY 2011 DFWP agrees to operate boat inspections and conduct early detection/monitoring at high priority waters. Funds will be used for seasonal technicians (salary and benefits) to operate the check stations, conduct early detection/monitoring and associated travel costs (vehicles, mileage, and per diem) and supplies. Funds will also be used for seasonal employees to process data collected in the field and laboratory samples. The budget for boat check stations and early detection/monitoring is \$ 55,575.
6. DFWP will implement the approved PIP. DFWP will use its professional judgment in determining the most appropriate and beneficial uses of MDA funding to achieve the stated objectives within the budget parameters provided and their own funding availability. The budget for the PIP will be \$78,205. Implementation will include the following components.
 - (a) PIP Evaluations (estimated at \$4,500)
 - o Baseline survey
 - To be conducted late April 2010

- Mail back survey to randomly selected resident licensed anglers (N=1,000), nonresident licensed anglers (N=1,000) and registered boat owners (N=1,000)
 - Costs include printing, postage, miscellaneous survey supplies and contracted computerized data entry for the completed and returned surveys.
 - Costs per survey are approximately \$1.50
 - Post-outreach survey
 - To be conducted fall 2010 or early winter 2011
 - Mail back survey to randomly selected resident licensed anglers (N=1,000), nonresident licensed anglers (N=1,000) and registered boat owners (N=1,000)
 - Costs include printing, postage, miscellaneous survey supplies and contracted computerized data entry for the completed and returned surveys.
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(b) Peer to Peer Outreach Project (estimated at \$10,000)

- To be completed by a contractor

(c) Signage (estimated at \$6,000)

- At boat ramps and Fishing Access Sites
- 500 Aluminum, 18"x14", 2 color, estimated cost is \$11.61 per sign
- Installation costs will be in-kind

(d) Print Materials (estimated at \$5,000)

- Posters, 4 color, 11"x8.5", estimated cost is \$0.60 per poster
- Informational cards, 3.5"x8.5", estimated cost is \$0.03 per card
- Graphic design will be in-kind from DFWP
- Distribution will be in-kind from DFWP

(e) Billboards (estimated at \$4,000)

- Estimated cost is an average of \$2,000 per location

(f) Radio and TV paid advertising (estimated at \$12,140)

- Radio, 25 stations on the Northern Broadcasting Network
- 300 spots per month for 4 months, including a bonus on the networks internet, estimated cost is \$7,480
- 54 spots per month, on 8 CBS affiliate stations is estimated at \$4,660

(g) Newspaper advertisement (estimated at \$5,000)

- Four color, full page ads in major newspapers (i.e.), Billings Gazette, Missoulian, Helena IR), printed in late spring or early summer

(h) Mailings to registered boaters (estimated at \$18,480)

- Informational postcard mailed to 56,000 registered boaters
- Postage and printing estimated at \$0.33 each

(i) Promotional Give-aways (estimated at \$13,085)

- For use at Watercraft Inspection Stations and other events such as Outdoor Shows and presentations to angling/boating groups
- Drying towels, shammy towel with one color printed logo, estimated at \$2.03 each
- Cleaning brushes, small hard bristle brush for cleaning waders with one color printed logo, estimated at \$2.00 each
- Fish measuring ruler, plastic stick-on ruler with printed logo, estimated at \$1.20 each

7. DFWP will work with MDA to complete outreach to the Pet, Nursery and Landscaping trade that includes the following projects at a budget of up to \$16,922:

- (a) Develop a brochure on invasive species to be sent to nurseries that sell aquatic plants
- (b) Design and distribute informational material to be placed on aquariums and containers used for transporting fish and aquatic plants
- (c) Pet store survey
- (d) Informational mailing to landscape and landscape design firms

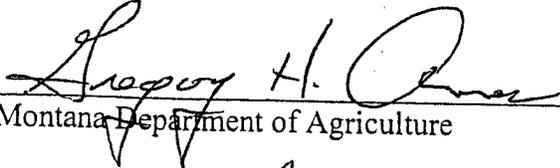
MODIFICATION

8. This agreement may be modified at any time by written agreement of both parties.

TERMINATION

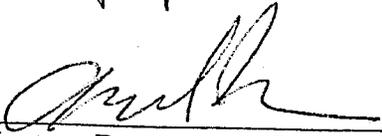
9. This agreement may be terminated with thirty days notice by either party.

SIGNATURES



 Montana Department of Agriculture

4/14/10
 Date



 Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

4/16/10
 Date

Attachment A
Montana Invasive Species Budget

Invasive Species Budget

March 9, 2010		
	REQUEST	REVISED
Biennial Budget	\$667,000	\$667,000
Expenditures as of 3/1/10	\$120,037	\$124,615
MDA Base Program:	\$162,451	\$146,683
MDA Proposed expenditures	\$278,733	\$245,000
FWP Proposed expenditures	\$239,116	\$150,702
BALANCE	(\$133,337)	\$0

Expenditures

MOU with FWP	\$41,361
Boat washers	\$44,320
Billboard	\$7,590
MDA check stations	\$2,586
grant to EWM Taskforce	\$1,361
Operating expenses	\$3,147
IS Coordinator	\$24,250
TOTAL	\$124,615

MDA Base Program

	REQUEST	REVISED
Salary and Benefits	\$79,376	\$79,376
Other Services	\$10,252	\$10,252
Supplies and Materials	\$6,375	\$6,375
Communications	\$14,400	\$8,000
Travel	\$25,368	\$18,000
Rent	\$4,760	\$4,760
Repair and Maintenance	\$956	\$956
Other Expenses	\$20,964	\$18,964
TOTAL	\$162,451	\$146,683

REQUESTED FUNDING

MDA Identified Funding Needs	
Invasive Species Summit	\$10,000
Aquatic Weed Training	\$10,000
EWM Management Area	\$70,000
Wash Units (4)	\$31,733
Nursery/Pet Survey	\$5,000
Border Check Stations	\$70,000
Aquatic Weed Survey	\$18,000
Local IS Plan Support	\$16,000
MDA Public Information Plan	\$40,000
Zebra Mussel Response Training	\$8,000
Total	\$278,733

REVISED FUNDING

MDA	
Invasive Species Summit	\$5,000
Aquatic Weed Training	\$7,000
EWM Management Area	\$70,000
Wash Units (2)	\$16,000
Nursery/Pet Survey	\$0
Border Check Stations (3)	\$105,000
Aquatic Weed Survey	\$18,000
Local IS Plan Support	\$16,000
MDA Public Information Plan	\$0
Zebra Mussel Response Training	\$8,000
Total	\$245,000

FWP Identified Funding Needs

FWP Public Information Plan	\$128,697
Surveillance/Checkstations	\$110,419
Total	\$239,116

FWP

FWP Public Information Plan	\$95,127
Checkstations & Early Detection/Monitoring	\$55,575
Total	\$150,702