USFS Gypsy Moth Suppression Project Summary 2003

Maryland Department of Agriculture (Cooperative)

Proposed Acres: 15,001 (5,700 ac. Btk; 9,301 ac. DFB)

Treated Acres 14,053 (5,646 ac. Btk; 8,406 ac DFB)

Project Objectives: 1. Foliage protection (defoliation less than or equal to 30% on 90% of foliage).

2. Population reduction so that treatment will not be required in 2004 with DFB

Contractor(s): Helicopter Applicators

Provine Helicopters

Aircraft: Ayers Thrush

Bell 206B OH-58

Formulation(s): Foray 76B 0.4 gal/ac @ 36 BIU/ac

Foray 48F 0.5 gal/ac @ 24 BIU/ac Thuricide 48LV 0.5 gal/ac @ 24 BIU/ac

Cost/acre (including application):

Helicopter Applications (project \$9.10 ac Foray 48F @ 24/BIU

120)

Helicopter Applicators (project 120) \$6.10 ac Dimilin

Helicopter Applicators (project 123) \$14.87 ac Foray 76B @ 34 BIU/ac metro areas

Provine Helicopters (project 121) \$20.29 ac Dimilin

Provine Helicopters (project 121) \$20.72 ac Thuricide 48LV

Provine Helicopters (project 122) \$34.64 ac Foray 76B @ 24 BIU/ac metro areas

Federal Share: \$750,000 **State Share:** \$878,772

Percent Acres Treated: Federal 0

State 26 Private 74

Percent Acres Treated Successfully: 1. 100%

2. 98%

Number of Landowners Treated: 0

Number of Communities Treated: 0

Defoliated Area: 5,141 (112 acres in the treatment blocks)

Acres to be Retreated: 243