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Title: USE OF PESTICIDES AND BROADCAST
CHEMICALS
Sponsor: ** KREISS-TOMKINS, ORTIZ
Requester: House Transportation

Department: Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
Appropriation: Administration and Support
Allocation: Transportation Management and Security
OMB Component Number: 2607

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2016 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2016 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

The fiscal impact of this legislation cannot be accurately determined at this time. With only 3 previous herbicide application jobs completed by the Department of Transportation & Public Facilities to learn from, the fiscal impact of this proposed legislation cannot be accurately calculated. While we anticipate that use of herbicides could be a cost-effective tool and could ultimately save vegetation management costs, the department is in the infancy of our herbicide program and it is too early to confidently discuss this topic.

The information below represents a 1-to-1 comparison of the cost of applying herbicides versus the cost of mechanically cutting vegetation. It is important to note that: 1) two of the three herbicide application projects the department has completed are being represented in the 'cost per lane mile' column, and 2) the 'cost per lane mile' associated with Roadside Mowing and Roadside Hydro-Axe is an average of several such projects that are documented in the department's maintenance management database.

Description	Cost per lane mile
Herbicide Application Costs	\$612.15 *
Roadside Mowing	\$1,607.13 **
Roadside Hydro-Axe	\$1,965.71 **

* average, per lane mile cost of chemical application in 2 northern region herbicide projects

** average , per lane mile cost of mechanical cutting methods taken from the department's Maintenance Management System