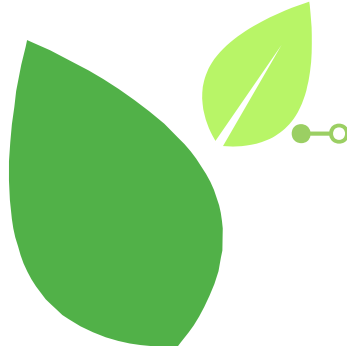


# Alternative #1



The Town of Pelham completes annual Gypsy Moth infestation surveys of Municipal Property and **sprays only municipal property with moderate to severe infestation**. This alternative would be funded through the general tax base. Property owners would be responsible for the cost of coordinating and spraying for the Gypsy Moth on private properties.

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Spraying only Municipal Property allows for greater cost certainty and budget projection.</li><li>- Urban and Rural property owners would be treated equitably.</li><li>- Reduction in staff time developing and coordinating residential spray programs.</li><li>- Unused budget during low population cycles could be placed in reserve for control measures during infestation cycles.</li><li>- Cost of spraying would be minimized: This approach would require an estimated annual budget between \$20,000 and \$60,000 depending on the gypsy moth population and control measures required in a given year. Between infestations it is best practice to budget for annual surveys to monitor populations of Gypsy Moths and other defoliating pests.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Municipal properties could be re-infested from neighboring properties that do not attempt control measures.</li><li>- Private properties owners who do spray their trees could be re-infested from neighboring properties that do not attempt control measures.</li><li>- Increased cost to property owners for treatment, removal and replacement of trees.</li><li>- Potential loss of urban canopy.</li></ul>