

Program Name: Fruit Fly Survey and Detection
Project ID: 2502
Lead Agency: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Division of Plant Industry

Strategy and Biennial Report Objective Addressed: 2-B.1
Invasive Species Strategic Action Framework Goal: 1

Project Synopsis: Fruit flies are one of the most potentially destructive pests in the world. With a wide host range of fruits, vegetables and nuts, most of Florida’s crops, including citrus, fall within the host range. This makes it imperative to act quickly and decisively when any species of fruit fly is found. The division is currently utilizing several methods to support and protect Florida from exotic fruit fly pests.

This project is aimed at early detection of exotic fruit fly species that would be harmful to Florida agriculture. Approximately 55,000 fruit fly traps are placed strategically in high risk areas and serviced by state or federal employees every 7, 14, 21 days depending on trap type. A fully staffed diagnostic lab is additionally maintained in Palmetto, Florida to sort/identify fly specimens found in traps.

Project Schedule:

Start Date: 7/15/2013
 Finish Date: 7/14/2015

Detailed Project Budget Information

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Balance to Complete	Total
Federal							
SFWMD**							
Local							
Total	TBD						TBD

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