

**TOWN OF PLYMOUTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN REQUEST  
FY25 FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

<b>Department:</b> Fire Department	<b>Priority #:</b>	3
<b>Project Title and Description:</b> Community Wildfire Protection Plan	<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	\$96,000.00

**Department/Division Head:** Chief Neil Foley

**Check if project is:** New ☒ Resubmitted ☐ **Cost estimate was developed:** Internally ☐ Externally ☒

**For project re-submittals, list prior year(s):**

**List any funding sources and amounts already granted:** Fire Prevention Revolving \$25,000.00 - Org. 26242206 Obj. 540000  
Environmental Affairs Fund \$25,000.00 Org. 26304277 Obj. 500000

Basis of Estimated Costs (attach additional information if available)			If project has impact on 5 Year Plan and future operating budgets, insert estimated amounts.		
Capital:	Cost	Comments	Fiscal Year:	Capital	Operations & Maintenance
<i>Planning and Design</i>	\$96,000.00		FY26		
<i>Labor and Materials</i>			FY27		
<i>Administration</i>			FY28		
<i>Land Acquisition</i>			FY29		
<i>Equipment</i>			FY30		
<i>Other</i>					
<i>Contingency</i>					
<b>Total Capital</b>	\$96,000.00				

**Project Justification and Objective:** See attached memo

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**For Capital Project Requests:**

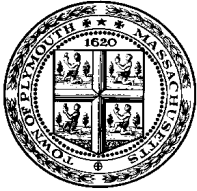
Will this project be phased over more than one fiscal year? If yes, enter it on the 5 Year Plan      Yes ☐      No ☒  
Can this project be phased over more than one fiscal year?      Yes ☐      No ☒

**For Capital Equipment Requests:**

☐ Check if equipment requested is replacement and enter the year, make & model, VIN and present condition of existing equipment

**What is the expected lifespan of this new/replacement equipment:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach backup information, estimates, or justification to support this request.**



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Date: August 08, 2024

To: Lynne Barrett, Finance Director  
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Cc: Capital Improvement Committee  
Select Board  
Advisory and Finance Committee

From: Neil Foley, Chief of Department

**Re: Community Wildfire Protection Plan Consultant \$96,000.00**

The Town of Plymouth will request proposals from qualified consulting firms to provide a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The purpose of the CWPP is to serve as a framework for a comprehensive long-term resiliency plan. The CWPP will guide future wildfire hazard protection strategies in Plymouth and foster a collaborative approach with government, non-government, and community stakeholders. The plan will be produced in such a way as to serve as a basis to secure future grants to carry out mitigation strategies and reduce the risk of wildfire (including forest fuel mitigation, community engagement, and training).

While wildfire risks are not exclusive to Plymouth, our community has the highest density of Wildland-urban interface (WUI) of any other community in the state. Several factors, including urban sprawl, lifestyle choices, and climate change, drive the expansion of the WUI. As the WUI expands, it brings more structures, residents, and business close to wildfire-prone areas.

Plymouth will benefit from a comprehensive plan to prepare for, reduce the risk of, and adapt to wildland fire events by providing recommendations that are intended to reduce, but not eliminate, the extreme severity or risk of wildland fire.

We are hopeful that as we move forward with this project, we will be able to secure grant money to offset the cost of the project and have already had encouraging conversations with the Department Conservation & Recreation on possible grant opportunities.

The Fire Safety and Prevention Revolving Account will provide \$25,000.00 for this project. Additionally, the Director of Energy & Environment, David Gould, is in full support of this project and has allocated an additional \$25,000.00 from the Environmental Affairs Fund towards the development of a CWPP.