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STATEMENT OF FACT

A severe outbreak of the spruce budworm has developed in northern Maine and should be controlled. About 500,000 acres are heavily infested. Control measures are estimated at the rate of \$2.38 per acre.

At a meeting of state, federal and private owner representatives, assurances were received that $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the cost plus technical assistance in the program would be met by the Federal Government, and $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ from the landowners in unorganized territory. Thirty-three and one-third percent is requested from state funds amounting to \$396,667.