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Florida Keys Mosquito Control District Board Approves Annual Millage Rate and Fiscal Budget for 2023-2024

The Florida Keys Mosquito Control District's (FKMCD) five-member board met Tuesday, September 19 during a public hearing and approved an adjusted millage rate and budget for fiscal year (FY) 2023-2024.

The FKMCD board approved an annual millage rate of **0.4344** for FY 2023-2024 which begins October 1, 2023.

The rate, which is a reduction in last year's mills (0.4565), represents a 6.5 percent increase in revenue and is expected to generate approximately \$18 million to operate the agency for the next fiscal year.

FKMCD officials say the FY 23-24 budget allows the District to maintain the quality mosquito control services the county has become accustomed to, while continuing to make thoughtful, much needed upgrades to its helicopter inventory. FKMCD will also continue to innovate in the mosquito control industry by investing in automated mosquito traps and novel mosquito control techniques.

About the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District

The mission of the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District is to control the mosquito population using the most effective methods, techniques, equipment and insecticides; thus enhancing the quality of life for all residents and reducing the possibility of mosquito transmitted diseases.

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