

**NJ State Mosquito Control Commission is recruiting candidates for Governor appointment consideration.**

There is currently one vacancy on the Commission, and all of our other appointed members (public members) are serving on expired terms. The Commission typically holds its public meetings on the third Tuesday of each month.

**Desired qualifications include:**

- Previous experience serving on a state or county mosquito extermination commission
- Having served as a member of a local board of health
- Having served as an elected official
- Formal education, and or training, in entomology, medical entomology, epidemiology, public health
- Having obtained a Doctor of Medicine

The State Mosquito Control Commissioners serve without compensation. Duties and responsibilities are listed in the various statutes listed below.

Individuals interested in serving on the State Mosquito Control Commission should send a letter of interest to the Secretary of the NJ State Mosquito Control Commission along with a copy of their resume to the address listed below.

Attn: Secretary, State Mosquito Control Commission  
PO Box 420  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420

**Section 26:9-12.3 - State Mosquito Control Commission; membership; appointment**

There is hereby created in the Department of Environmental Protection a permanent commission to be known as the State Mosquito Control Commission, which shall consist of 10 members, six of whom shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate and four of whom shall be the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Commissioner of the Department of Health, the Secretary of Agriculture, or their designated representatives, and the Director of the New Jersey State Agricultural Experiment Station, ex officio.

**Section 26:9-12.4 - Tenure; vacancies; compensation**

The appointed members of the commission shall serve for terms of 4 years, except that of the first appointed members of the commission 1 shall be appointed for a term of 1 year, 1 for a term of 2 years, and 2 for terms of 3 years. Vacancies in the membership of the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the appointments were made but for the unexpired terms only. All members of the commission shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in connection with the commission's work.

**Section 26:9-12.5 - Meeting and organization**

The commission shall meet at the call of the Director of the New Jersey State Agricultural Experiment Station and shall organize as soon as may be after the appointment of its members and shall select a chairman from among its members and a secretary who need not be a member of the commission.

#### **Section 26:9-12.6 - Duties of commission**

It shall be the duty of the commission to carry on a continuous study of mosquito control and extermination in the State, to recommend to the Governor and the Legislature, from time to time, changes in legislation which in its judgment may be necessary or desirable to be enacted in order to enforce and carry out mosquito extermination and control work throughout the State, to recommend to the Legislature the amount of money which in its judgment it shall deem necessary and desirable to be appropriated each year by the State for mosquito control purposes and to allocate funds appropriated for State aid to counties in the performance of such work among the various counties through the New Jersey State Agricultural Experiment Station, to act in an advisory capacity in all matters pertaining to mosquito extermination and control and to co-operate with the agencies of other States and the Federal Government in the elimination of mosquito breeding areas under their control.

#### **Section 26:9-12.7 - Enforcement of recommendations**

The commission shall have power to call to the attention of the director any mosquito breeding places in the State which may come to its attention and in cases in which any recommendations made by the experiment station to abate mosquito breeding places in any particular areas of the State are being disregarded, to call to his attention the fact that the same are being disregarded and to order him to take such measures as will cause abatement of said mosquito breeding places or compliance with his recommendations as are provided by law.

#### **Section 26:9-12.8 - Cooperation**

The New Jersey State Agricultural Experiment Station and the several county mosquito extermination commissions shall cooperate with the commission in the furnishing of information and the performance of any services which may be requested of them by the commission in the carrying out of the purposes of this act.

#### **Section 26:9-12.9 - Hearings; annual reports**

The commission may meet and hold hearings at such place or places as it shall designate from time to time and shall report annually its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature, accompanying the same with any legislative bills which it may desire to recommend for adoption by the Legislature.