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Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program Will Occur <u>Tonight Due to an Increase in Nuisance Mosquito</u> <u>Activity</u>

Effective this evening, September 15, 2009, the City of Winnipeg's Adult Nuisance Mosquito fogging program will resume, weather permitting, due to an increase in nuisance mosquito activity.

Starting at 10:00 p.m. tonight, crews will begin treatment in IMA's 44, 45, 47, 49 and 50. This includes the following neighbourhoods:

Insect Management Area	Neighbourhoods
44	Burrows - Keewatin, Inkster Industrial Park, Mynarski, Pacific Industrial, Shaughnessy Park, Weston, Weston Shops
45	Burrows Central, Robertson, William Whyte
47	Inkster - Faraday, Luxton, St. John's, St. John's Park
49	Garden City, Leila - McPhillips Triangle, Margaret Park, Templeton - Sinclair
50	Jefferson, Kildonan Park, Seven Oaks

Until further notice, fogging will be carried out on a daily basis between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. Daily Public Service Announcements (PSA) will be released at least eight hours in advance of fogging. These PSA's will identify the Insect Management Areas the ICB is planning to treat that evening, weather permitting.

It is important to note that fogging will not occur when temperatures are below 13 degrees Celsius and/or wind speeds are not conducive to fogging.

The City's extensive larviciding and residual treatment programs will continue throughout the City in conjunction with the fogging program.

All Winnipeg neighbourhoods have been grouped into 51 Insect Management Areas. Information on all fogging activities will be provided by referencing the specific Insect Management Area in which treatment is to be carried out. Residents can find out which Insect Management Area they reside in by calling 311 or by going to the Insect Control's website at <u>Winnipeg.ca/bugline</u>. At this website residents can click on "Find your insect management area" and type in their address to find out in which Insect Management Area they reside. Copies of this map and buffer zone registration forms are also available at your local library.

To find out where City crews will be fogging, citizens are encouraged to visit the website at <u>Winnipeg.ca/bugline</u> or call 311. In addition, the Insect Control Branch offers an automated telephone and e-mail notification system. Residents who register for this service will receive daily phone or e-mail notification during any fogging for adult mosquito control. To register for the automated email or telephone notification systems, citizens can go to <u>Winnipeg.ca/cms/bugline/notification</u> or call 311.

The insecticide Malathion 95ULV® will be used. This insecticide has been approved for use in Canada by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency. Malathion 95ULV® will be used in accordance with federally approved label directions by licensed pesticide applicators.

BUFFER ZONES

All buffer zones will be respected. Crews will ensure that the sprayer is not treating within 100 meters on each side of a registered property on the front street, side street, and rear lane. Residents are reminded that if they wish to have their primary residence excluded from the adult nuisance mosquito fogging program, they can register in writing by completing the online form on the website at <u>Winnipeg.ca/cms/bugline/notification/buffer_zone</u> or by faxing 311 or by contacting the Insect Control Branch at 3 Grey Street, Winnipeg, MB, R2L 1V2. Up to 72 hours may be required for processing.

Interested individuals may acquire more information by contacting 311, or by visiting the City's Insect Control website at <u>Winnipeg.ca/bugline</u>.

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