



INFORMATION - COMMUNIQUÉ

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Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program Will Not Occur Tonight Due to Low Overall Adult Mosquito Activity

The City of Winnipeg's Adult Nuisance Mosquito fogging program will not occur tonight, due to low mosquito activity. City wide trap counts indicate all quadrants are substantially below 100. When adult mosquito activity is depressed, fogging is not an effective method of control.

The City of Winnipeg's Insect Control Branch was able to complete all the following Insect Management Areas (IMA) last night: 8, 9, 15, and 21. Due to unfavorable weather conditions ICB could not complete IMA's 3, 7, 20 and 22.

AFA REMAINS HIGH

All factors of the AFA, including trap counts will continue to be monitored on a daily basis. The AFA remains at high. Fogging will resume when trap counts are in the range of 100 in one or more quadrants of the city. A Public Service Announcement will be issued 8 hours prior to resuming the Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program. If and when the fogging program is to resume, it will be carried out in the entire city (buffer zones respected), continuing to prioritize the areas with highest nuisance mosquito populations.

The City's extensive larviciding and residual treatment programs will continue throughout the City.

BUFFER ZONES

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 Winnipeg.ca/cms/bugline/notification/buffer_zone 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 Winnipeg.ca/bugline.

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