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ADULT NUISANCE MOSQUITO FOGGING PROGRAM TO CONTINUE

Winnipeg, MB – Since June 19th, the Insect Control Branch (ICB) has been fogging nightly with first priority given to the areas with highest mosquito populations. To date the ICB has successfully treated the entire city and the urban areas of East and West St. Paul. Also, some of the areas of the city with highest mosquito populations have received a second treatment.

The Insect Control Branch is monitoring all Adulticiding Factor Analysis (AFA) guidelines daily and will provide an update if conditions change. Fogging under an adult nuisance mosquito control program will continue as long as the AFA is HIGH and trap counts remain in the range of 100 in one or more quadrants.

The AFA remains at HIGH due to the amount of rainfall received over the past 3 weeks, warm temperatures, continued larval development and the current nuisance adult mosquito population.

In order to reduce the adult nuisance mosquito populations, the City of Winnipeg has utilized a combination of larviciding and residual treatments and will continue as long as these conditions remain. The ongoing residual treatments with permethrins were implemented as soon as the female adult mosquitoes began to emerge in increasing numbers. The aggressive larviciding program is also continuing.

MOSQUITO CONTROL

The Insect Control Branch completed Insect Management Areas 5,10,11,12, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 43 last night.

Starting at 9:30 p.m. tonight, the Insect Control Branch will continue treatment in Insect Management Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 42, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and the urban areas of East and West St Paul - weather permitting. This includes the following neighbourhoods:

Insect Management Area	Neighbourhoods
1	Kilcona Park, River East, Springfield North, Valhalla
2	Kildonan Drive, Rossmere A
3	Eaglemere, Grassie, McLeod Industrial, North Transcona Yards, Springfield South, Valley Gardens
4	Munroe West, Rossmere B
6	East Elmwood, Kildonan Crossing, Munroe East, Talbot Grey, Tyne Tees
7	Griffin, Meadows, Peguis, Radisson, Regent, Victoria West
42	Central Park, Colony, Daniel McIntyre, Portage - Ellice, Spence, West Alexander
44	Burrows - Keewatin, Inkster Industrial Park, Mynarski, Pacific Industrial, Shaughnessy Park, Weston, Weston Shops
45	Burrows Central, Robertson, William Whyte
46	Centennial, China Town, Civic Centre, Dufferin, Dufferin Industrial, Exchange District, Logan C.P.R., Lord Selkirk Park, North Point Douglas, South Point Douglas
47	Inkster - Faraday, Luxton, St. John's, St. John's Park
48	Inkster Gardens, Mandalay West, The Maples
49	Garden City, Leila - McPhillips Triangle, Margaret Park, Templeton - Sinclair
50	Jefferson, Kildonan Park, Seven Oaks
51	Amber Trails, Leila North, Riverbend, Rivergrove, Rosser - Old Kildonan, West Kildonan Industrial
	Urban areas of East and West St. Paul

DAILY PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 and/or rain fall are not conducive to fogging.

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. Citizens can find out which Insect Management Area they reside in by calling 311 or by going to the Insect Control's website at Winnipeg.ca/bugline. 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 Winnipeg.ca/bugline 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 all fogging for adult mosquito control. To register for the automated email or telephone notification systems, citizens can go to Winnipeg.ca/cms/bugline/notification 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 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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