

For Immediate Release Sunday, August 15, 2010

## Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program Will Not Occur Tonight Due to Inclement Weather

**Winnipeg, MB** - The City of Winnipeg's Adult Nuisance Mosquito fogging program will not occur tonight, August 15, 2010, due to inclement weather and low overall adult mosquito activity. The city wide average adult mosquito trap count for today was 4. All quadrants are substantially below 100.

When adult mosquito activity is depressed, fogging is not an effective method of control as the droplets of Malathion must be in the air when the mosquitoes are flying in order to hit and kill the mosquitoes.

The City of Winnipeg's Insect Control Branch was not able to treat last night due to poor environmental conditions.

## **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. An eight hour Public Service Announcement will be issued 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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