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Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program Will Occur Tonight Due to an Increase in Adult Nuisance Mosquito Activity

Winnipeg, MB - Effective this evening, August 13, 2010, the City of Winnipeg's Adult Nuisance Mosquito fogging program will resume, weather permitting, due to an increase in nuisance mosquito activity. Fogging was temporarily suspended July 30, 2010, due to low overall adult mosquito activity and environmental conditions.

Starting at 9:30 p.m. tonight, the Insect Control Branch will continue treatment in Insect Management Areas 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 26, 27 and 28 - **weather permitting.** This includes the following neighbourhoods:

Insect Management Area	Neighbourhoods
12	Archwood, Maginot, Niakwa Park, Stock Yards, Windsor Park
13	Alpine Place, Elm Park, Lavalee, St. George, Varennes, Worthington
14	Kingston Crescent, Minnetonka, Norberry, Pulberry, Victoria Crescent
15	Niakwa Place, Southdale, Southland Park, Symington Yards, The Mint
16	Island Lakes, Royalwood, Sage Creek
17	Dakota Crossing, Meadowood

18	Maple Grove Park, Normand Park, River Park South, St. Vital Centre, Vista
26	Betsworth, Ridgewood South, River West Park, Roblin Park, Southboine, Westdale
27	Elmhurst, Eric Coy, Marlton, Ridgedale, Varsity View, Vialoux
28	Assiniboine Park

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 will be released at least eight hours in advance of fogging. These Public Service Announcements will identify the Insect Management Areas the Insect Control Branch 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 <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 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 <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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