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## 2012 GYPSY MOTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CONCLUDES

Winnipeg, MB – The third aerial application for the gypsy moth management program by The Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg was completed this morning Monday, June 4, 2012. This treatment concludes the 2012 gypsy moth management program.

The province and the city used a small, low flying airplane to disperse the organic, biological control product, in portions of Insect Management Area (IMA) 14. Treatment was in portions of Minnetonka and Pulberry neighbourhoods including St. Vital Park. Buffer zones were not respected.

Treatment was conducted using Foray 48B, an organic, biological (*Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki* or Btk) control product, to manage the gypsy moths. This product is approved for residential use in Canada by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency, and will be used in accordance with federally approved label directions by licensed pesticide applicators. Foray 48B is also certified for organic food production by Organic Materials Review Institute.

For up to date information on the status of the three aerial applications, please visit <a href="http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/forestry/health/gypsy-moth\_program\_2012\_activity.html">http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/forestry/health/gypsy-moth\_program\_2012\_activity.html</a> or call (204) 793-2987. Further updates will be made on this website as they become available.

## For more information, visit:

http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/pestrava/lymdis/tech/lymdise.shtml; http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/forestry/health/gypsy-moth.html; www.winnipeg.ca/publicworks/bugline/insect\_information/gypsy\_moth.stm

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