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Elm Bark Beetle Bulletin #8

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Elm Bark Beetle Control Program continues

Winnipeg, MB – The Public Works Department’s Insect Control Branch is continuing the Elm Bark Beetle Control Program - **weather permitting**. The program is intended to control elm bark beetles, the carriers of Dutch Elm Disease (DED).

The Insect Control Branch has completed school properties in the following School Divisions: St. James – Assiniboia, Seven Oaks, River East Transcona and Winnipeg (north of the Assiniboine River only).

The Elm Bark Beetle Control Program will continue in **Insect Management Areas 39, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 and 49**. This includes the following neighbourhoods:

Insect Management Area	Neighbourhoods
39	Brooklands, Sargent Park, St. James Industrial
42	Central Park, Colony, Daniel McIntyre, Portage - Ellice, Spence, West Alexander
43	North Inkster Industrial, Oakpoint Highway, Omand's Creek Industrial, Tyndall Park
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
49	Garden City, Leila - McPhillips Triangle, Margaret Park, Templeton - Sinclair

Weekly Public Service Announcements will be issued on Fridays throughout the program indicating which Insect Management Areas are scheduled for treatment the following week.

Treatment will occur between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, weather permitting. Treatment will occur on an ongoing basis until fall.

General Information

The Public Works Department has expanded the Elm Bark Beetle Control Program this summer to reduce the incidence of DED. As previously announced, this increased effort is part of the Comprehensive Strategy to Enhance the Protection of our Urban Forest from DED for which City Council approved additional funding as part of the 2013 Budget.

Historically, elm bark beetle control has focused on treating elms on public and private properties along river corridors, and on public and private properties where diseased elms have been identified and removed. This enhanced program expands the treatment to all elms in the City of Winnipeg on all public and private properties, whereby half of the elm population is treated each year on a two year rotation. This year's program will focus on the north half of the city.

Treatment will be conducted using Dursban Turf® or Pyrate 480 EC® (Chlorpyrifos), chemical products, which are sprayed from portable sprayers directly onto the lower 50 centimetres of the tree trunk. This product has been approved for 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.

Citizens wanting personal notification by telephone and/or email of Elm Bark Beetle Control Program activities can sign up by:

- Calling 311, emailing 311@winnipeg.ca or faxing 311,
- [Registering online](#),
- Contacting the Insect Control Branch in writing at 3 Grey Street, Winnipeg, MB, R2L 1V2, or
- In person at 1539 Waverley Street.

Interested individuals may acquire more information by contacting 311, or by visiting the City's Insect Control [website](#).

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