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Elm Bark Beetle Bulletin #16

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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 Insect Management Area 45.

The Elm Bark Beetle Control Program will continue on October 19, 2015 in Insect Management Areas 39, 42, 46 and 49 in the following neighbourhoods: Brooklands, Sargent Park, St. James Industrial, Central Park, Colony, Daniel McIntyre, Portage -Ellice, Spence, West Alexander, Centennial, China Town, Civic Centre, Dufferin, Dufferin Industrial, Exchange District, Logan C.P.R., Lord Selkirk Park, North Point Douglas, South Point Douglas, Garden City, Leila - McPhillips Triangle, Margaret Park, and Templeton - Sinclair - **weather permitting**. The Insect Control Branch will also be treating Brookside Cemetery.

Weekly public service announcements will be issued on Fridays throughout the program indicating which Insect Management Areas will be treated 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.

Treatment will be conducted using Pyrate 480 EC® (Chlorpyrifos), a chemical product, which is 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.

Phone and email notification

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

- Calling 311, emailing <u>311@winnipeg.ca</u> 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.

For more information please contact 311, or visit the City's Insect Control website.

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