

INFORMATION - COMMUNIQUÉ

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Forest Tent Caterpillar Control Program has concluded

Winnipeg, MB – Today, Wednesday, June 10, 2015, the City of Winnipeg's Insect Control Branch announced the conclusion of the forest tent caterpillar control program.

Yesterday evening, the Insect Control Branch treated in Insect Management Area 51.

In response to the emergence of a forest tent caterpillar population, the Insect Control Branch undertook a localized control program focusing on selected streets that were at high risk of significant leaf damage.

The majority of forest tent caterpillars have stopped feeding, thereby rendering any further spraying ineffective. Citizens will notice the caterpillars crawling around looking for places to spin a cocoon to prepare for their next part of their life cycle.

Interested individuals may acquire more information by contacting 311, or by visiting the City's Insect Control <u>website</u>.

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