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Elm Bark Beetle Bulletin #3

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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 was able to complete treatment in IMA 11 except for Windsor Park Golf Course.

The Elm Bark Beetle Control Program will continue on May 30, 2016, weather permitting, in Insect Management Areas 11, 13, 14, 18 and 21 in the following neighbourhoods: Windsor Park Golf Course, Glenwood, Norwood East, Norwood West, Alpine Place, Elm Park, Lavalee, St. George, Varennes, Worthington, Kingston Crescent, Minnetonka, Norberry, Pulberry, Victoria Crescent, Maple Grove Park, Normand Park, River Park South, St. Vital Centre, Vista, Agassiz, Cloutier Drive, Fort Richmond, Montcalm, and University. The program is intended to control elm bark beetles, the carriers of Dutch Elm Disease (DED).

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 Wednesday, 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

The Insect Control Branch offers an automated telephone and email notification system. Residents who register for this service will receive daily phone or email notifications during all fogging for adult mosquito control. To register for the automated email or telephone notification systems, citizens can go to <u>City of Winnipeg – Register for</u> <u>Notification</u> or call 311. For more information please contact 311, or visit the City's Insect Control website.

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