Elm Bark Beetle Control Program Continues

The City of Winnipeg’s Elm Bark Beetle Control Program will continue Monday, September 20, 2021, weather permitting.

The program intends to reduce the spread of Dutch Elm Disease (DED) by controlling the beetles that carry the disease.

It will continue in Insect Management Areas 19 (Maple Grove Park, Normand Park, River Park South, St. Vital Centre, Vista), 20 (St. Vital Perimeter South), 21 (La Barriere, Parc La Salle, Perrault, Richmond Lakes, St. Norbert, Trappistes, Turnbull Drive) and 31 (Crescentwood, North River Heights, Wellington Crescent).

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 5:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., weather permitting.

Treatment will be conducted using Pyrate 480 EC® (chlorpyrifos), a chemical product sprayed 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. This includes a new recommendation for 2021 that application should not occur when temperatures are above 15C.

Register for notification
The City offers an automated telephone and email notification system. Residents who register for this service will receive daily phone or email notifications for elm bark beetle control activities. Residents can register for notification online or by contacting 311.

More information
For more information, contact 311 or visit the City’s Insect Control website.