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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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NORTHERN SECTION OF WINNIPEG TO BE FOGGED UNDER WEST ST. PAUL PROVINCIAL WEST NILE VIRUS ORDER SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2007

Winnipeg, MB – The Province of Manitoba has ordered fogging for West St. Paul and an extended treatment area of 3 km beyond the rural municipality of West St. Paul. This extended treatment area includes Insect Management areas in the North West and North East quadrants of Winnipeg. Buffer zones will be in effect for **the areas of** Winnipeg being fogged **as part of the extended treatment area for West St. Paul** for this night.

Based on this direction, West Nile Virus fogging will be carried out on Sunday, July 15, 2007 between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m., weather permitting. (Buffer zones respected).

Insect Management Area	West Nile Virus Fogging Program - Neighbourhoods
New Insect Management Areas to be Treated July 15, 2007	
1	Kilcona Park, River East, Springfield North, Valhalla
2	Kildonan Drive, Rossmere A
48	Inkster Gardens, Mandalay West, The Maples
49	Garden City, Leila - McPhillips Triangle, Margaret Park, Templeton - Sinclair
50	Jefferson, Kildonan Park, Seven Oaks
51	Amber Trails, Leila North, Riverbend, Rivergrove, Rosser - Old Kildonan, West Kildonan Industrial

Following Sunday's West Nile Virus fogging, the Province of Manitoba will continue to monitor their WNV surveillance information on an ongoing basis and will add additional areas within Winnipeg, if, and when, they determine that the risk to human health warrants further fogging under the WNV program.

On July 12, 2007, the City was able to fully complete Insect Management Areas 48, 49 and 51 that were part of the Health Order for the City of Winnipeg.

In collaboration with the Province of Manitoba, the City of Winnipeg will issue a Public Service Announcement, providing a minimum of eight (8) hours advanced notification, to advise citizens as to when and where West Nile Virus fogging operations will specifically be occurring on that given night. This information is also available by calling the Bugline at 986-3210 or by visiting the website at Winnipeg.ca/bugline.

The delivery of the West Nile Virus Program, which includes the monitoring of *Culex tarsalis* mosquitoes, is a provincial responsibility. Weekly average trap counts of *Culex tarsalis* by regional health authority are available on the Province of Manitoba's West Nile virus website at Gov.mb.ca/health/wnv.

For more information on West Nile virus, visit Gov.mb.ca/health/wnv or call Health Links at (204) 788-8200 or 1-888-315-9257.

It is important to note that fogging will not occur if there is significant rainfall, if temperatures are below 13 degrees Celsius or wind speeds are not conducive for fogging.

The insecticide Malathion for ultra low volume (ULV) applications will be used. This insecticide has been approved for use in Canada by Health Canada (PMRA – Pest Management Agency). Malathion will be used in accordance with federally-approved label directions by licensed pesticide applicators.

Citizens are also reminded to take personal protection measures by:

- Reducing the time you spend outdoors between dusk and dawn. The peak mosquito hours are around dusk and dawn, but *Culex tarsalis* mosquitoes will also bite during the night.
- Wearing light-coloured, loose-fitting, long-sleeved tops and long pants when outside, especially between dusk and dawn.
- Applying insect repellent containing DEET, according to Health Canada Guidelines. (DEET is not recommended for children under the age of 6 months).
- Checking that door and window screens fit tightly and are free of holes

For additional information on West Nile virus and personal protection measures, please visit Gov.mb.ca/health/wnv/intro.html#protect.