

Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

2021 SPRUCE BUDWORM EARLY INTERVENTION RESEARCH PROGRAM UPDATE

Date: July 11, 2021 **Time**: 6:00 pm

Message:

The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture - Forestry and Wildlife Branch – is advising the public that the department will be carrying out a Spruce Budworm Early Intervention Research Program on the west coast of Newfoundland beginning in early July 2021.

Information regarding the program, including maps of treatment areas is available at the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture website at: <u>2021 Insect Control Program - Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (gov.nl.ca)</u> or by calling the Forest Insect Control Program Update Line at: 1-877-636-2996.

Individuals with questions or seeking further information can contact the department by calling: 709-637-2343 or by emailing: jeffmotty@gov.nl.ca.

Daily Update Information:

The aircraft was calibrated on the morning of Sunday, July 11 and the three northern treatment blocks received a complete treatment on the morning of Sunday, July 11. The last and most southern treatment block received a partial treatment on the afternoon of July 11.

Subject to weather conditions and insect development, treatments are expected to continue on the evening of Sunday, July 11.

Daily updates will be provided throughout duration of the program.