

Department of Fisheries and Land Resources

2020 FOREST INSECT CONTROL PROGRAM UPDDATE

Date: June 26, 2020 Time: 12:00 noon

MESSAGE:

The Department of Fisheries and Land Resources – Forestry and Wildlife Branch - wishes to advise that aircraft being used as part of the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources 2020 Spruce Budworm Early Intervention Program are expected to arrive in the province during the last week of June.

Testing and calibration is expected to be conducted during the weekend in the Landowns Pond area approximately seven kilometers west of the community of Gallants. Testing will be conducted using water only.

A map of the testing and calibration area can be viewed on the department's website at https://www.faa.gov.nl.ca/forestry/idc/ins_control_2020.html

Upon completion of testing and calibration aircraft will be repositioned to the airstrip in Port aux Choix in preparation for the 2020 Spruce Budworm Early Intervention Control Program to be carried out in July.

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