

2016 NOTICE OF AERIAL SPRAYING
FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF GYPSY MOTH LARVAE
IN SELECTED AREAS OF THE CITY OF WYOMING

Select areas in the City of Wyoming are scheduled to receive aerial application of the insecticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* (*B.t.*) for the suppression of Gypsy Moth larvae. Maps of these areas are available at Wyoming City Hall in the City Clerk's Office or by visiting the City's website at www.wyomingmi.gov. The applicator for the program is Hamilton Helicopters, Inc., 4488 134th Avenue, Hamilton, MI 49419, (616)291-5808. The *B.t.* brand will be Foray 48BC (or equivalent) supplied by Valent Biosciences Corporation. The spraying will be done by aircraft when weather conditions are suitable. The exact dates cannot be predetermined as application is weather dependent. Startup is tentatively planned for late May into early June 2016.

The insecticide *B.t.* is derived from a naturally occurring bacteria and is known only to affect caterpillars by destroying their stomachs after they eat the material. It does not affect honeybees or other non-leaf eating insects, birds, fish or mammals. The *B.t.* is applied at a quart per acre in a very fine mist that targets the trees. The carrier liquid is water and drying usually takes place within a few minutes.

City of Wyoming Gypsy Moth Suppression Program
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