

Society To Prevent Dutch Elm Disease

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1. STOPDED and the Societies Mandate and Objects

The Society to Prevent Dutch Elm Disease (STOPDED) is a non-profit organization which takes an active leadership role in the development and delivery of the *Provincial Dutch Elm Disease Prevention Program*. Since the program was terminated by the government in 2005, the society has been administrating and operating this successful prevention program. They work hard to avoid the economic, environmental and social impacts from Dutch elm disease and other invasive alien tree pest species.

All trees help make our province a world-class tourism destination while significantly reducing the costs to our “hard” infrastructure and the effects of climate change.

The Society is committed to developing partnerships and working relationships. They now have an extensive network of partners across the province. Partnerships have been developed with:

- Olds College
- University of Alberta
- Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
- Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)
- Canadian Forest Service
- Northern Forestry Centre (CFS)
- Agriculture Fieldmen
- Alberta Municipalities
- Landscape Alberta Nursery Trades Association (LANTA)
- International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Prairie Chapter
- Industrial Vegetation Management Association of Alberta (IVMAA)
- Provincial Parks and
- Other volunteers

STOPDED communicates regularly to all their members and partners. Updated information on DED and other invasive alien tree pest species is sent out by way of the STOPDED e-Bulletin.

Mandate: To foster and promote the survival of the American elm (*Ulmus americana*) in Alberta and the desire to protect Alberta's landscape trees threatened by pests with emphasis on invasive alien species.

Objects or Constitution of STOPDED:

- To primarily foster and promote the survival of the American elm (*Ulmus americana*) in Alberta by preventing the establishment of Dutch elm disease and its insect vectors.
- To protect other Alberta landscape trees threatened by pests with emphasis on invasive alien species.
- To advocate for the restriction of movement of pest carrying wood or firewood into and within Alberta.
- To increase the awareness in the horticultural industry, in the general public, and in our governments of the immense value of our landscape trees, the value of our urban forests and of the possible insect and disease threats to them.
- To assist and fund research on highly destructive landscape insect and disease pests.
- To facilitate, for the public and for government agencies, the early detection of and rapid response to destructive invasive alien species that imperil landscape trees.

2. Integrated DED Prevention Program Essential Components

A successful prevention program integrates all the following components, as listed below. If any of these are reduced or eliminated, the overall program effectiveness is significantly decreased. STOPDED uses all these components for the *Provincial Dutch Elm Disease Prevention Program*. In this way, Dutch Elm Disease (DED) has been kept out of Alberta (AB). This model program can be used for all threatening tree pests. **This program cannot be maintained without adequate funding.**

- a. Response plan
- b. DED prevention/control measures used to enforce under the act.
- c. Elm firewood collection and disposal is essential to insure DED vector infested elm firewood is not stored or transported within or into AB.
- d. Monitoring for DED vectors include the smaller European elm bark beetle (*SEEBB*), native elm bark beetle (*NEBB*) and the banded elm bark beetle (*BEBB*).
 - Provides vital information for DED detection.
 - Monitoring of the three exotic insect vectors done each year throughout the province to determine if the beetles are present.
 - Pheromone baited sticky traps are used to monitor for the DED vectors.
 - Monitor these three beetle species since they can carry the spores of DED. As they move from breeding sites, such as DED-infected trees or firewood, to feed on healthy elm trees, DED can be spread.
 - If one of these species are found, surveillance of the disease and beetle monitoring locations is increased in the area.
 - Number of traps placed in each municipality depends on location of the municipality, number of elms and if any insect vectors have been trapped in previous years. Approximately one trap for every 500 trees. However, some municipalities with less than 500 trees have traps because of their location.
 - Beetle populations must be monitored with pheromone traps in locations that include municipalities, recreational/campgrounds, Travel Alberta Information Centres, Alberta-Montana border crossings, and nurseries that sell elms.
- e. Surveillance of elm trees for DED symptoms is done where vectors have been found.
- f. Sampling of suspicious elm trees.
- g. Public awareness on the disease identification and prevention is essential since DED detection and prevention depends on the public scrutiny.
- h. Train the trainer to insure enforcement officers such as the Agricultural Fieldmen and Custom Officials are aware of DED and how to recognize and prevent the disease.
- i. Provincial elm inventory supplies the basic information necessary for an effective prevention program and identifies areas where intensive surveillance is necessary.
- j. Provincial and inter-provincial network to maintain a liaison with all program partners and co-operators.
- k. Research is supported to find resistant varieties of elm trees, new control techniques until there is a cure for DED.
- l. Partnerships are needed with like-minded organizations in order to make good use of all resources.

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3. Background Information

- a. Since the introduction of Dutch Elm Disease (DED) in 1930, the disease has destroyed millions of American elm trees across North America, because no prevention was in place.
- b. DED is now well established in Manitoba (MB) and Saskatchewan (SK).
 - i. These provinces are now forced to spend millions of dollars annually in control.
 - ii. Government employees annually survey and remove the once majestic dead elm trees.
 - iii. Since 1975, Winnipeg has spent \$69 million to protect their elm population.
- c. DED is an invasive alien fungus known as *Ophiostoma ulmi* or *Ophiostoma nova ulmi* that can affect any elm (*Ulmus* spp.) tree. Once infected, the elm tree dies.
- d. The invasive alien insect vectors for DED are:
 - i. Smaller European Beetles (SEEBB) (*Scolytus multistriatus*, Marsh)
 - ii. Native elm bark beetle (NEBB) (*Hylurgopinus rufipes*, Eichh)
 - iii. Banded elm bark beetle (BEBB) (*Scolytus schevyrewi*)
 - The BEBB has an ability to locate and colonize drought stressed trees and is able to produce up to three generations per year.
 - BEBB hosts includes American, Siberian and Japanese elms, willows and Russian olive.
 - Elms have been killed through feeding activity and gallery construction.
- e. The DED carriers SEEBB and NEBB and the DED pathogens are declared pests under the Agricultural Pests Act, administered by ARD.
- f. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency administers the Plant Protection Act which regulates the movement of disease from DED infested to DED free provinces.
- g. Human vector - domestic firewood movement.
- h. An elm inventory was completed in all the municipalities in the province of AB by STOPDED. Up to 50% of the overall tree plantings in municipal landscapes are elms.
- i. Alberta has an estimated 750,000 mature elm trees. A total of 250,000 elms, valued at \$700 million dollars, grow in Alberta's urban areas. The remaining 500,000 elms grow in provincial parks, farm shelterbelts and rural homesteads.
- j. Edmonton has 100,000 elms and Calgary 50,000 elms.
- k. Using the International Society of Arborists tree valuation calculator many AB elms are valued at approximately \$4,800 to \$6,000 dollars each.
- l. The elm has been the preferred tree to plant, not only for its stately beauty, but also for the tree's impressive list of useful properties.
 - i. growing fast on a wide variety of soils
 - ii. tolerant to drought conditions
 - iii. high salt tolerance in urban boulevard plantings
 - iv. One of the few species that can thrive in the AB extreme climactic conditions
- m. In 1975, DED was found in Winnipeg, Manitoba
- n. In 1976, AB Agriculture's amendment to the AB Agricultural Pests Act to include both the pathogen and its beetle vectors.
- o. In 1981, DED found in Regina, Saskatchewan.
- p. DED is also found in Missoula, Billings, Great Falls and Sidney.
- q. Since 1994, SEEBB and BEBB have been found in AB municipalities across the province.

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- r. In 1998, an isolated case of DED was found in Wainwright by STOPDED. This tree was removed and properly disposed of immediately.
- s. As a result of vectors being found in AB, trapping locations and elm surveillance has been increased in all positive locations.
- t. From 1976 to 2004, ARD administrated & operated the *Provincial Dutch Elm Disease Prevention Program*.
- u. Since 2005, STOPDED received a Government of AB funding grants to operate and administrate the *Provincial Dutch Elm Disease Prevention Program*.
- v. STOPDED has been successful keeping AB DED free.
- w. Alberta is one of the last geographic areas in North America still DED free.

4. Current DED Situation in BC, AB, SK, MB and Montana

Annual Budgets for DED Prevention & Management Program in SK and MB

- City of Winnipeg annual budget is 3.68 million, this includes 1 million from the province.
- Province of Manitoba is \$1.5 million plus one full time person.
- Province of Saskatchewan is \$100,000.00 plus one full time person.
- All municipalities are responsible their own DED control/management programs.
- City of Regina annual budget is \$145,000.00.

a. **British Columbia**

- i. SEEBB are found in high numbers in the southern part of the province.
- ii. DED has not been found.

b. **Alberta**

- i. SEEBB has been found in municipalities throughout Alberta since 1994.
- ii. One BEBB was found in City of Medicine Hat in 1996. Since then the numbers of BEBB have increased substantially. A total of 4067 BEBB were found on the 2013 Medicine Hat traps which were placed throughout the City. 2014 trap results is pending.
- iii. BEBB also now being found in lower numbers in south eastern part of province in Dunmore, Irvine, Coutts and Wildhorse.
- iv. All DED suspect 2014 elm samples have tested negative.

c. **Saskatchewan**

- i. Survey conducted by SK Ministry of Environment in 2014 showed DED remains well established in its traditional southeastern part of the province. DED has affected high numbers of elm along the Fort Qu'Appelle River all the way to Buffalo Pound Park just north of Moose Jaw.
- ii. Although the numbers of DED trees is up from 2013, the increase is attributed to more communities surveyed.
- iii. BEBB found in high numbers along the south western part of the province.
- iv. In 2012, one DED infected elm tree in Maple Creek was found, promptly removed and properly disposed off. Monitoring and surveys was increased in 2013 and 2014 and no DED was found. This is only 100 km east of Medicine Hat.

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d. Manitoba

- i. DED is well established in the southern area of the province. It now extends throughout the entire natural range of elms in MB.
- ii. With an effective DED Prevention/Management Program in place, the **City of Winnipeg's** elm losses averaged approx. 1.2%-2% annually or 2,900 trees per year since 1975. Even though there has been a loss of 60,000 trees in the last 35 years, the city's elm population is still 160,000.

e. Montana

DED and SEEBB are found throughout the state.

5. Provincial DED Prevention Program Update

a. Monitoring for DED vectors (SEEBB, NEBB and BEBB) April 1st to Sept. 30th.

- A total of 1713 traps and lures are set by STOPDED and the larger cities province wide. The number of locations monitored is: (See appendix II)
 - 116 Municipalities (cities, towns, villages, hamlets),
 - 31 - Nurseries
 - 30 - Parks (Provincial and Municipal)
 - 5 - US/Canada Port of Entry
- The City of Edmonton, Calgary, Red Deer and Lethbridge are also responsible for distribution and scanning of traps in their buffer zone municipalities.
- 2006 - BEBB found for the first time in City of Medicine Hat.
- 2009 - BEBB found in Irvine, Coutts, Wildhorse and again in the City of Medicine Hat.
- 2010 – 54 BEBB found in Medicine Hat.
- 2011 – Over 600 BEBB found throughout Medicine Hat
- 2012 – 2000 BEBB found throughout Medicine Hat and small numbers in Irvine, Dunmore and Walsh

2014 total targets captured provincially is over 1000

	2013	2014
Medicine Hat	4067 BEBB	1033 BEBB
Dunmore	43 BEBB	43 BEBB
Irvine	2 BEBB	1 BEBB
Brooks	5 SEEBB	0
Acadia Valley	2 BEBB	3 BEBB
Bow Island	5 BEBB	5 BEBB
Coutts	2 BEBB	2 BEBB
Empress	1 BEBB	1 BEBB
Walsh	5 BEBB	5 BEBB
Edmonton	14 SEEBB, 1 BEBB	14 SEEBB
St Albert	5 SEEBB	3 SEEBB
Stony Plain		1 SEEBB
Fort Saskatchewan		2 SEEBB
Morinville		1 SEEBB
Lethbridge		7 SEEBB
Taber		1 SEEBB
Coalhurst	1 SEEBB	0
Calgary	500 SEEBB	17 SEEBB
Red Deer		1 SEEBB

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- b. **Surveillance of elm trees:** A survey for the DED was completed in municipalities in the southern part of the province where the vectors (BEBB and SEEBB) have been found.
- c. **DED suspect sampling:** Arrangements were made to have samples taken from all suspect DED elm trees samples by STOPDED. These were sent to Dr. Stephen J.P. Strelkov with University of Alberta for diagnosis.

A total of 26 samples were cultured. All tested negative for DED.
- d. **Public awareness:** STOPDED undertakes many initiatives to promote DED prevention among Alberta citizens and to visitors to Alberta. (See appendix III)
- e. **Train the trainer:**
 - i. Contact was made with Custom Officials to insure that they understood the importance of collecting firewood. They are encouraged collect all firewood that includes bark and place in the STOPDED firewood bins. STOPDED regularly disposes of all wood by having it burned.
 - ii. e-Bulletins are sent out regularly to Custom Officials, Agriculture Fieldman on DED prevention and other IAS tree pests.
- f. **Provincial elm inventory** was done in all AB municipalities in 1999. Some Cities are updating this inventory.
- g. **Provincial and inter-provincial network**
 - E-bulletins sent to British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Manitoba contacts.
 - Communication is made via email and phone for regular pest's updates.
- h. **Elm firewood collection and disposal**
 - i. Travellers are requested to leave firewood in the bins in order to reduce the risk of importing insect vectors or disease through highway signage.
 - ii. The Society owns and maintains firewood collection bins and a collection trailer.
 - iii. Bins are placed at all US/AB ports of entry and at all Travel Alberta Information Centres. Collection trailer is parked at Chief Mountain Port of Entry.
 - iv. All firewood is confiscated at the US/AB ports whereas the bins at the information centres are volunteer bins. All bins were emptied and firewood disposed by burning.
 - v. Wood confiscated from travellers is mainly spruce, pine and some elm.
- i. **Research**

Using casino funds, STOPDED funds research projects that support the objectives of the Society. All projects funded are reviewed and recommended by the Research Committee and approved by the Board. 2014 projects approve are:

 - i. Surveillance of elm trees for DED in municipalities along AB/SK border.
 - ii. Monitoring for Invasive Alien Wood Boring Species in Alberta
- j. **Alberta DED Response Plan** is in place.
- k. **Alberta DED Prevention/Control Measures** are in place.
- l. Alberta has a "**Provincial Elm Pruning Ban**" from April 1st to September 30th in place.

6. Monitoring Invasive Alien Wood Boring Insects in AB Project

The establishment and expansion of the global marketplace has resulted in an increased risk of introduction of alien invasive insect species into Alberta. These invasive species threaten our urban and rural trees and provincial forests. Early detection of alien invasive species of wood boring insects is essential to protect our trees and to avoid negative economic, environmental and social impacts.

Provincial and Municipal departments with a mandate to protect and manage our urban landscapes are direct recipients of the results of this project. The public and private sector stakeholders in Alberta will benefit through timely notification of these invaders. This information will also benefit commercial tree nursery operations.

This project builds on a pilot project conducted by STOPDED from 2007-2009 (Invasive Alien Species Partnership Program Project #1294). Protocols and methodologies have been established for trap deployment and collection, trap residue processing, and reporting. A partnership was developed in 2011 between CFIA, Olds College and STOPDED that exploits the resources and capabilities of their respective organizations in pursuit of the protection of Alberta's trees. Cooperation between these organizations is integral to the project.

Fifteen trapping sites identified as highest risk introduction sites for alien invasive species are monitored. The project is coordinated by STOPDED, traps and lures supplied by CFIA and trap collections are processed by Olds College under the supervision of Dr. Ken Fry. Trap set up is coordinated by the following cooperators.

- City of Grande Prairie (1 site)
- City of Lloydminster (2 sites)
- City of Edmonton (5 sites) coordinated processed by City staff
- City of Red Deer (1 site)
- City of Calgary (1 site)
- City of Lethbridge (2 sites)
- City of Medicine Hat (2 sites)
- City of Fort McMurray (1 site)
- ARD Crop Diversification Centre, Brooks (1 site)
- ESRD – 4 locations
 - Boyle Dump
 - Janvier commercial waste site
 - CNRL Wolf Lake
 - Cold Lake Dump

The Monitoring Invasive Alien Wood Boring Insects in AB project was coordinated by STOPDED, traps and lures funded by CFIA and curation of samples completed by Dr. Ken Fry and students at Olds College using Casino research funding. Thanks again to all the cooperators for setting up traps and collecting the samples. No IAS have been found to date.

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STOPDED Organization Accomplishments

- a. Reliable system & infrastructure to survey for DED and DED vectors monitoring is in place.
- b. Reliable system & infrastructure to survey for other IAS tree pest.
- c. Signage is placed by STOPDED and ESRD at all AB road entrances and exits asking to prevent Forest Pests and DED by not transporting firewood.
- d. **STOPDED Hotline** 1-877-837-ELMS is in place.
- e. Memorandum of Understanding between Olds College and STOPDED was signed in 2009.
- f. **Invasive Alien Species (IAS) Partnership** - STOPDED's insect collection is housed at Olds College. Olds College has made a commitment to provide 25 hours per year of expert scientific entomological support to assist with curation of trapped insect material. CFIA has made a commitment to supply trapping supplies. Casino funds are used for insect curation.
- g. Volunteers are secured for a casino fund raising events. These funds are being used for research, additional public awareness and educational workshops.
- h. Agriculture Fieldmen and their Assistants are recognized as associate membership. This membership recognizes our ongoing working relationship/partnership to help prevent DED.
- i. **Research Committee established terms of reference**, mandate, composition and membership. Two key functions include:
 - i. make recommendations to the STOPDED Board of Directors regarding the merit and suitability research funding requests and project funding requests made to the Society
 - ii. provide oversight for research and science-related projects undertaken by the Society to ensure quality and that the Society's interests are maintained
- j. **STOPDED Research Work Plan:** the Society is directly delivering research projects. This plan establishes the accountability for clearly identifying objectives, desired outcomes and performance measures (measures of success) for each phase of the anticipated project. It also establishes clear expectations of the direction, focus, and accountability.
- k. **Scholarships:** four worthy Olds College horticultural and arboricultural students receive these annual scholarships using casino funds
- l. **STOPDED website (www.stopped.org)** is housed under AAFD "Ropin' the Web."

7. STOPDED Goals for the Future

- Continue to secure funding from Government agencies to operate the *Provincial Dutch Elm Disease Prevention Program*.
- Continue to form partnerships so prevention program components and projects can be done more efficiently and effectively.
- BEBB is a new vector of DED and has been found in larger number in City of Medicine Hat. STOPDED needs to concentrate on working with those municipalities in the south eastern corner of AB and Agriculture Fieldman to minimize the threat of DED.
- Continue holding workshops on DED and other invasive tree pests.
- Continue research effective methods of advertising.
- Update DED Response Plan when needed
- Continue working with ARD Pest Surveillance Branch to include DED prevention/control measures as Agricultural Pests Act Regulations.
- Keep Alberta free of DED and other IAS tree pests.



Appendix I Provincial Monitored Locations

The following list indicates the number of trap sites in each location and the responsible party.

LEGEND: CGY - Calgary
 EDM - Edmonton
 SC - Strathcona County
 StC - Sturgeon County
 STOPDED
 LB - Lethbridge
 MH - Medicine Hat
 RV - Rocky View MD#44

Municipality	Sites	Responsibility			
AcadiaValley, M.D. of	1	STOPDED	High Prairie, Town of	2	STOPDED
Airdrie, City of	2	CGY	High River, Town of	2	STOPDED
Ardrossan, Hamlet of	1	SC/EDM	Innisfail, Town of	1	RD
Balzac, Hamlet of	1	CGY	Irvine, Village of	1	MH
Barnwell, Village of	1	LB	Kathryn, Hamlet of	1	RV/CGY
Barrhead, Town of	1	STOPDED	Keoma, Hamlet of	1	RV/CGY
Barons, Village of	1	LB	Killam, Town of	2	STOPDED
Beaumont, Town of	1	EDM	Lacombe, Town of	3	RD
Beiseker, Village of	1	RV/CGY	Langdon, Hamlet of	1	RV/CGY
Bentley, Village of	1	RD	Leduc, City of	3	EDM
Bon Accord, Town of	1	EDM	Legal, Town of	1	SA/EDM
Bonnyville, Town of	1	STOPDED	Lethbridge, City of	48	LB
Bowden, Town of	1	RD	Leth Correctional Centre	1	LB
Bow Island, Town of	1	MH	Leth Research Centre	1	LB
Brooks, Town of	7	STOPDED	Leth. Wilson Siding	1	LB
Bruderheim , Town of	1	SC/EDM	Lloydminster, City of	7	STOPDED
Calgary, City of	67	CGY	Magrath, Town of	1	LB
Calmar		1 EDM	Medicine Hat, City of	36	MH
Camrose, City of	3	STOPDED	Milk River, Town of	2	STOPDED
Camrose, County of	2	STOPDED	Mirror, Village of	1	RD
Round Hill, Hamlet of	1	STOPDED	Monarch, Hamlet of	1	LB
New Norway, Hamlet of	1	STOPDED	Morinville, Town of	1	EDM
Cardston, Town of	1	STOPDED	Nanton, Town of	1	STOPDED
Castor, Town of	1	STOPDED	Nobleford, Village of	1	LB
Cereal, Village of	1	STOPDED	Okotoks, Town of	2	CGY
Chauvin, Village of	1	STOPDED	Olds, Town of	1	STOPDED
Chestermer, Town of	1	CGY	One Four, Hamlet of	1	MH
Claresholm, Town of	2	STOPDED	Oyen, Town of	2	STOPDED
Coaldale, Town of	2	LB	Picture Butte, Town of	1	LB
Coalhurst, Town of	2	LB	Pincher Creek, Town of	1	STOPDED
Conrich, Hamlet of	1	CGY	Ponoka, Town of	2	RD
Consort, Town of	3	STOPDED	Provost, Town of	2	STOPDED
Coronation, Town of	2	STOPDED	Raymond, Town of	3	LB
Coutts, Village of	2	STOPDED	Redcliff, Town of	1	MH
Dalroy, Hamlet of	1	RV/CGY	Red Deer, City of	48	RD
Daysland, Town of	1	STOPDED	Redwater, Town of	2	EDM
Delburne, Village of	1	RD	Rimbey, Town of	1	RD
Devon, Town of	2	EDM	Sherwood Park	2	SC/EDM
Diamond Valley	1	LB	Springbank, Hamlet of	1	RV/CGY
Drayton Valley, Town of	1	STOPDED	Springbrook, Hamlet of	1	RD
Drumheller, Town of	3	STOPDED	Spruce Grove, City of	2	EDM
East Coulee, Hamlet of	1	STOPDED	St. Albert, City of	12	SA/EDM
Nacmine, Hamlet of	1	STOPDED	Stettler, Town of	2	STOPDED
Rosedale, Hamlet of	1	STOPDED	Stirling, Village of	1	LB
Eckville, Town of	1	RD	Stony Plain, Town of	3	EDM
Edgerton, Village of	1	STOPDED	Strathcona County	8	EDM
Edmonton, City of	48	EDM	St. Paul, Town of	2	STOPDED
CDCN	1	STOPDED	Strathmore, Town of	2	CGY
Elnora, Village of	1	RD	Suffield, Hamlet of	1	MH
Empress, Village of	2	STOPDED	Sylvan Lake, Town of	1	RD
Enchant, Village of	1	STOPDED	Taber, Town of	5	LB
Forestburg, Village of	5	STOPDED	Three Hills, Town of	1	STOPDED
Fort Macleod, Town of	1	LB	Vauxhall, Town of	2	STOPDED
Fort Saskatchewan, City of	6	EDM	Vegreville, Town of	2	STOPDED
Gibbons, Town of	1	EDM	Vermilion, Town of	1	STOPDED
Grande Prairie, City of	3	STOPDED	Veteran, Village of	1	STOPDED
Grassy Lake, Hamlet of	1	MH	Viking, Town of	1	STOPDED
Hanna, Town of	2	STOPDED	Vulcan, Town of	1	STOPDED

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Wainwright, Town of	4	STOPDED		
Walsh Travel Info. Centre	1	MH	Wetaskiwin, City of	3
Warner, Town of	2	STOPDED	Youngstown, Village of	1
				STOPDED
				STOPDED

Nurseries	#Sites	Responsible
Alberta Tree Movers	1	CGY
Arrowhead Nurseries	1	EDM
Bluegrass Nurseries	1	CGY
Blue Grass Sod Farms	1	RD
Cheyenne Tree Nursery	1	EDM
Coaldale Nurseries Ltd	1	LB
Economy Landscaping	1	StC/EDM
Foothills Landscaping	1	CGY
Golden Acre Garden Centre	1	MH
Golden Acre Garden Sentres	2	CGY
NE and Greengate		
Green Haven Tree Farm	1	LB
Greenland Nursery	1	EDM
Heritage Nurseries	1	StC/ED
Heritage Tree Nurseries	1	CGY
Lacombe Tree Farms	1	RD
Millcreek Nursery	1	EDM

Old Man Creek	1	EDM
Parkland Nurseries	1	RD
Pireira and Monez Landscaping	1	StC/EDM
Poplar Ridge Tree Farm	1	RD
Salisbury Greenhouses	1	SC/EDM
Simon Bos Nurseries Ltd.	1	LB
Spruce Lanes	1	CGY
Sunnyside Greenhouses Ltd.	1	CGY
Sunshine Tree Nursery	1	StC/EDM
Sunstar Nurseries	1	EDM
Tom's Tree Farm	1	EDM
Vollmin Tree Movers	1	CGY
West Edmonton Treeland	1	EDM
William Holt Nurseries	1	CGY
Windmill Garden Centre	1	MH

Parks	#Sites	Responsible
Aspen Beach PP	3	STOPDED
Big Knife PP	1	STOPDED
Buffalo Lake PP	1	STOPDED
Dillberry PP	1	STOPDED
Dinosaur PP	1	STOPDED
Dixon-Stevenson Rest Stop	1	RV/CGY
Elkwater Cabin Area	1	STOPDED
Gooseberry Lake PP	1	STOPDED
Half Moon Lake Resort	1	SC/EDM
Island Buffalo Jump PP	1	STOPDED
Jarvais Bay PP	1	RD
Kinbrook PP	1	STOPDED
Lac Ste. Anne County		
Meyerthorpe Campground	1	STOPDED
Little Bow PP	1	STOPDED
Little Fish PP	1	STOPDED
Midland PP	1	STOPDED
Pine Lake PP	1	RD
Parkland PP	1	RD
Reesor Lake PP		STOPDED
Rochan Sands PP	1	STOPDED
Sherwood Forest Campground	1	SC/EDM
St. Mary Reservoir	1	STOPDED
Strathcona Science PP	1	SC/EDM
Taber PP	1	LB
Tillibook PP	1	STOPDED
The Narrows PP	1	STOPDED
Tolman Bridge PRA	1	STOPDED
Vermillion PP	1	STOPDED

Port of Entry	#Sites	Responsible
Chief Mountain	1	STOPDED
Carway	1	STOPDED
Coutts	1	STOPDED
Del Bonita	1	STOPDED
Wild Horse	1	STOPDED

Appendix III

Public Awareness

- **Advertisements placed focusing on all firewood transportation and the elm pruning ban**
 - 2014 Travel Alberta Campground Guide
 - 2014 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations
 - 2014 Alberta Sportfishing Regulations
 - Landscape Alberta Nursery Association (LANTA) LANDX (nursery resource listing)
 - The Alberta Association of Landscape Architects 2014 Membership Roster
 - Green Industry Conference and Trade Show 2014 edition
 - Alberta Outdoorsman June, October and November 2014 editions
 - Alberta Gardener, Spring 2014 edition
 - Canada Tree Service Spring 2014 edition
- **DED Public Awareness Week** was recognized province wide from June 24th to June 30th. Article placed in Agri News which was picked up by local papers across the province. Many of the larger cities put on a public awareness campaign during this week.
- **STOPDED E-Bulletin's**
As part of the ongoing efforts to keep members informed on DED and other related tree pest issues, an information E-Bulletin is regularly sent out.
- **STOPDED display units on DED and IAS purchased**
4 separate displays units are available for use by municipal or Provincial Parks.
- **Posters and brochures**
 - Brochures and posters were sent to Municipalities and Provincial contacts to be placed in Municipal/Provincial campgrounds, provincial ports of entry and local information centres. These brochures and posters focus on the transportation of wood with bark.
 - Brochures and posters were sent to all 49 Accredited Community and Regional Visitors Information Centres and **Travel Alberta Visitor Information Centres**.
 - Brochures sent to the Women's Arboriculture Conference Mar 5-7
 - New brochures and posters were designed and ordered which focus more on municipalities outlining the elm pruning ban and storage of elm firewood.
- Presented and had a booth at the Provincial Integrated Forest Pest Management Forum April 8
- Attended and had booth at the Plant Health Survey Workshop on IAS June 15
- Attended IVMAA stakeholders meeting August 14
- **Conferences/Tradeshows attended with display and brochures**
 - Green Industry Conference/ Trade Show attended on Nov 13 -14
 - International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Prairie Chapter Tradeshow, Oct 27 - 28
 - Annual Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference, Jan 20-23
 - Night of Distinction, Olds College Feb 24
 - Industrial Vegetation Management Association (IVMAA) of AB Tradeshow, March 24-25
 - Alberta Invasive Species Conference and AGM, March 12
- **STOPDED Hotline – 1-877-837-ELMS (3567)**
 - 349 calls on the DED Response Plan, Agricultural Pests Act, Plant Protection Act of Canada, storm damage, pruning ban, proper disposal, proper tree care and DED symptoms.
- **STOPDED Website:** ARD Ropin the Web **DED website** updated when needed by AAFD. The ARD site is linked to www.stopped.org

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