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Second McHenry County Gypsy Moth Spray to Commence Friday, May 28

WOODSTOCK, IL –McHenry County will commence on its second and final spraying at dawn on Friday, May 28th (weather pending) for the gypsy moth caterpillars in certain areas of Crystal Lake, Lakewood, Lake in the Hills, Spring Grove, the Cary Park District, Dunham Township, Dorr Township, and Nunda Township. A map of the specific spray blocks for this year's spray can be found under "Announcements" on the McHenry County website.

McHenry County will be spraying approximately 650 acres with Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki (Btk), from a helicopter 20 feet above the tree canopy. Btk is a naturally occurring bacteria that is used to control pests such as gypsy moth caterpillars. The spraying for the designated areas should be completed by mid-day. It is strongly recommended that individuals remain indoors for up to an hour after the spray occurs.

If you have any questions, please contact Adam Lehmann at 815/334.0309.

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