

Are you ready for the Gypsy Moth?

The Gypsy Moth is Eating and We are on our Way!

Aerial Spraying begins across the southern parts of the Peninsula after May 30. We will be using a product that contains *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* (Btk). The biological insecticide is registered under the trade name Foray® 48B (PCP # 24977).

Btk is a naturally occurring bacteria found in soil. Btk is not a chemical. There will be two applications with applications approximately 5 days apart.

Btk only works against organisms that go from egg to larvae to pupae to moth (lepidopterans). Btk does not affect adult moths and butterflies, including the monarch butterfly, as it is not in the caterpillar stage and feeding on plant material at this time of the year. Btk does not affect other insects, honeybees, fish, birds, or mammals.

The aerial spray program can not be expanded but if you require additional information please contact:

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