

URGENT Support Needed - Join The Cause For Continued Battle Against Spruce Budworm Outbreak

The impact on forestry is well documented; loss of wood fiber for our mills, long term loss of jobs and \$15 billion in economic loss to the region. But other stakeholders will be affected in other ways also. For people who take great pleasure in using our forests for recreation like snowmobile and ATV enthusiasts, sportsmen and women and many others, the network of trails and beauty of the forest will be greatly effected and put at risk to tree fall downs, fire, and general deterioration.

BUT - THERE IS SOMETHING WE CAN DO!

We can come together and take action by voicing our support for the federal government to renew funding for the important research work being done to head off a full blown outbreak. The Early Intervention Strategy has been up and running for three years and is showing promise in controlling the spread. But we need to continue this work and it needs continued federal support. Here is what the snowmobile community can do to help:

1. Distribute this email message to your members (NBFSC is an influential voice)
2. Impress upon your members that this is everyones problem not just industry (we are all in this together)
3. Ask your members to go to the www.actforhealthyforests.ca website and click on the **TAKE ACTION** tab to sign onto a support letter campaign (this goes out to their federal member of parliament asking them to support research funding)
4. Ask them to do it **TODAY** as a decision to make this a budget priority will likely happen before the end of October.

This is as big a problem for New Brunswick as we have ever seen regarding threats to our forest but one that we think we can prevent.

Thanks again,

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