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Re: Management of Browntail Moth at Brunswick H.S., Brunswick Jr. H.S., and Coffin Elementary School

The Town of Brunswick plans to perform a foliar (leaf) application of pesticide with ground-based sprayers to manage the browntail moth population at **Brunswick H.S., Brunswick Jr. H.S., and Coffin Elementary School**. The leaf spraying is currently scheduled to occur in the early morning hours on **Saturday, May 18, and/or Sunday, May 19**. Environmental factors such as precipitation and wind speed will ultimately determine if the work can be performed on either of those days.

The Town has contracted with Bartlett Tree Experts, a tree service company and state-licensed commercial pesticide applicator, to apply **Entrust[®] SC Insecticide** (EPA Reg. No. 62719-621, Active ingredient: *Spinosad* 22.5%). This product was chosen based on its effectiveness against browntail moth larvae (caterpillars) and its significantly reduced risk to non-intended targets such as aquatic organisms, pollinators, birds, and mammals. **Entrust[®] SC** is listed by the Organic Materials Review Institute (OMRI) for use in organic production and the town's application of it fully complies with Section 6.1, Article II of our municipal code of ordinances.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns regarding the plans for management of browntail moth; I can be reached at (207) 319-1906 or ssmith2@brunswick.k12.me.us. You may also contact Jay Astle, Public Works Director / Acting Town Arborist (207) 725-6654 or jastle@brunswickme.org

Sincerely,

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