

## **Canadian Asian Gypsy Moth Program**

## **Policy and Program Overview**

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## Shared Risk, Shared Responsibility



Economic impacts due to non-compliance/failed

certification

- Verify compliance
  Surveillance pest free status
- Communication

#### **Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)**

 Government of Canada's key science-based regulatory agency with mandate to safeguard Canada's food supply, animals and plants

#### **CFIA's Plant Protection Mandate**

- Protect plant resources by preventing the import, export and spread of pests
- Legislative authority = *Plant Protection Act* and *Plant Protection Regulations*
- Provides authority to require certificate, prohibit entry, board conveyances, authority to direct vessel to place of inspection, to order removal of a vessel from Canada
- Provides authority to act on pests and suspected pests (reasonable grounds)





## **AGM Program**

- AGM is a regulated quarantine pest for Canada
- Pest of agriculture and forestry
- Vessel certification program established (1992) as marine vessels are pathway most likely to introduce AGM









#### **CFIA Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) Activities**

- Establish import requirements
- Compliance verification: vessel inspection upon arrival in Canada to verify import requirements have been met
- AGM surveillance in Canada national trapping program
- Communication and outreach
- International engagement





#### CFIA AGM Activities

March – Sept Vessel inspection, Monitoring survey, In-season meetings

#### **Jan-March**

Pre-season meetings, Training, Reduced level of vessel inspection Sept-Dec

End of Season meetings, ID trap captures, Reduced level of vessel inspection



#### **AGM Policy**

- Directive D 95-03: Plant protection policy for marine vessels arriving in Canada from areas regulated for Asian Gypsy Moth (*Lymantria dispar, Lymantria albescens, Lymantria postalba, Lymantria umbrosa*)
- AGM policy directive outlines and explains the Canadian AGM program for the shipping industry





## Canadian AGM requirements: Year Round:

- All vessels must be free from AGM and are subject to inspection
- Vessel must notify CFIA of arrival and provide
   2 year port of call data

### Canadian High Risk season for AGM:

- March 1 September 15 for Western Canada
- March 15 September 15 for Eastern Canada
- Vessels are required to have been inspected and have AGM certification issued by a recognized inspection body







### **Specified Flight Periods in Regulated Areas**

Regulated Areas	Flight Period
All ports in Japan	May 25 – Sept 30
(flight period dependent on region)	(see next slide)
All ports in South Korea	June 1 – Sept 30
Far East Russian ports	July 1 – Sept 30
Ports in China north of Shanghai (defined as 31°15' N latitude)	June 1 – Sept 30





# **AGM detection**

If AGM is detected by CFIA:

- vessel ordered removed from Canadian water
- AGM certificate held by the vessel is considered to be invalid.









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#### **AGM - Non-Compliance Situations**

- A vessel that fails to present certification
  - required to report to a designated offshore inspection site, before gaining entry to port

- A vessel that has detection of suspect AGM life stages
  - will be ordered from Canadian waters
- A vessel which has called upon an AGM regulated area and enters Canadian waters without notifying CFIA





#### **Notification of Non-compliance**

Notices of non-compliance are issued in the following situations

- Certified vessels with AGM detections and
- Vessels which arrive in Canada during the high risk period without AGM certificates

Notices of non-compliance are sent to

NPPO of the country that certified the vessel

#### or

 NPPO of the country with the last regulated port called upon by a vessel during the specified period for that country – for vessels calling on Canada without certification



### Asian Gypsy Moth 2014-2015 National Inspection Summary

	2014	2015
Regulated Areas	<ul> <li>Japan</li> <li>China (north of Shanghai)</li> <li>Korea</li> <li>Russia</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Japan</li> <li>China (north of Shanghai defined as 31°15' N latitude )</li> <li>Korea</li> <li>Russia</li> </ul>
Regulated vessel visits	1558	1518
Certified vessel visits	1490	1470
Uncertified vessel visits	68	48
% of vessels arriving certified	96%	97%
Vessels inspected (non-certified + percentage of certified)	500	383
Total vessels with AGM detected (certified and non-certified)	39 (8% of inspected vessels)	15 (4% of inspected vessels)





