November 2018

Dear Christmas Tree Grower,

Inspectors have identified a gypsy moth life stage on or near your nursery stock and/or Christmas trees during a field inspection. We look at trees in the fields and potential host trees in the area adjacent to the plantation for evidence of gypsy moth, including pupal cases, cast skins and egg masses. We have marked the location(s) with orange flagging tape.

During our inspection of Christmas Tree Farm fields, our inspectors found Gypsy Moth life stages in the following area(s):

According to federal gypsy moth quarantine, you are not permitted to move any gypsy moth life stage outside the gypsy moth quarantine (see enclosed quarantine maps). You must not ship trees within 100 feet of an egg mass to any areas outside the gypsy moth quarantine. Trees may still be shipped to any area within the gypsy moth quarantine. DATCP reserves the right to determine that treatment, rather than an inspection, is required. For conifers, 100% inspections are not possible. We will contact you in early spring with more insecticide treatment information.

If you have any questions or concerns about gypsy moth shipping restrictions, please call.

Thank you,

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