BCPPM 2014 Update June 30



Hello everyone,

Grasshoppers in the areas East of Cecil Lake and North of Fort St. John are now very late instar stages so watch crops carefully for damage and make control decisions right away. Remember when making control decisions, it's important to note which grasshopper species and which crop is present in the system to make accurate control decisions, see the previous update (Jun 19 2014) with ID help, or the attached grasshopper nymph key.

For more help with identification and for action thresholds, please visit:

http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/cropprot/grasshopper.htm

http://www.agriculture.gov.sk.ca/Default.aspx?DN=626d78ef-2444-4fae-98fc-95e05d88e759 For control options, check the BC crop protection guide:

http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/cropprot/entomology.htm

Action thresholds usually range from between 13-25 grasshoppers per square metre, but vary depending on the crop, and the stage/species of grasshopper present so be sure to take all factors into account when making control decisions.

Red Clover Casebearer moths are still flying- you can check here for some information on that pest:

http://www.peaceforageseed.ca/research.html

Wheat Midge emergence is still below the 10% mark but they could be emerging in the next couple weeks. You can check here for some information on that pest:

http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/cropprot/wheatmidge.htm

Bertha Armyworm moths present in small numbers in the Baldonnel area. You can find more info here on that pest:

http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/cropprot/bertha.htm

http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/\$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/agdex3508

Remember also to keep checking for the latest Praririe Pest Monitoring updates here:

http://www.westernforum.org/IPMNWeeklyUpdates.html

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