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#### INTRODUCTION

During the general Forest Insect and Disease surveys in Alberta in 1973, inspections were conducted in many of the Provincial Parks for the presence of insect and disease infestations and infections. Some Parks were not examined because of inclement weather at the time the ranger was in the area. The following report lists the noteworthy insects and diseases reported and includes short accounts of populations and damage in each Park examined.

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## PROVINCIAL PARKS

## ASPEN BEACH PARK

| Organism  | Host            | Remarks  |
|---|-----------------|--|
| Insect  |                 |  |
| Gall aphids, Adelges sp.                            | W. spruce       | Caused severe branch deformity on individual planted saplings.           |
| Spider mite, Oligonychus ununguis                   | W. spruce       | High population in densely branched trees.                               |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly,<br>Pikonema alaskensis | W. spruce       | Caused severe defoliation of several planted saplings.                   |
| Disease   |                 |  |
| Cytospora canker,  Cytospora chrysosperma           | B. poplar       | Cankers noted on exposed and weakened trees.                             |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum               | T. aspen        | Cankers common on stems of mature trees.                                 |
| BEAT  | UVAIS LAKE PARK |  |
| Organism  | Host            | Remarks  |
| Insect  |                 |  |
| Gall aphids, Adelges sp.                            | W. spruce       | Individual fringe trees severely infested.                               |
| Budworm, Choristoneura lambertiana                  | Limber pine     | Light defoliation along the north ridge.                                 |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana           | T. aspen        | Caused patchy light defoliation throughout the Park.                     |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                     | T. aspen        | Continued activity noted in weakened trees along north side of the lake. |
| Disease   |                 |  |
| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea              | T. aspen        | Prolific in winter-damaged stands.                                       |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum                | T. aspen        | Numerous winter-damaged trees infected.                                  |

Winter damaged aspen

T. aspen

No additional damage. Mortality gradually occurring among trees severely damaged in past winters.

## BOW VALLEY PARK

| Organism   | Host                           | Remarks   |
|--|--------------------------------|---|
| Insect   |                                |   |
| Gall aphids, <u>Adelges</u> sp.                          | W. spruce                      | Branch tips of "preferred trees" severely galled. |
| Poplar serpentine miner, <u>Phyllocnistis populiella</u> | T. aspen                       | Caused moderate foliage discoloration.            |
| Leaf tier, Pseudexentera oregonana                       | T. aspen                       | Patchy, light defoliation.                        |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                          | T. aspen                       | Active in weakened, exposed trees.                |
| Disease  |                                |   |
| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea                   | T. aspen<br>D. fir<br>Lp. pine | Common in roots of exposed fringe regeneration.   |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum                    | T. aspen                       | Noted numerous cankered fringe trees.             |

## CHAIN LAKES PARK

| Organism                                      | Host      | Remarks  |
|---|-----------|--|
| Insect  |           | •  |
| Gall aphids, Adelges sp.                      | W. spruce | Numerous galls on individual open growing trees. |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera oregonana</u>     | T. aspen  | Caused light defoliation.                        |
| Disease                                       |           |  |
| Black rib of willow, Ciborinia follicola      | Willow    | Moderate leaf infection throughout the Park.     |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum         | T. aspen  | Cankers noted on weakened, exposed trees.        |
| Leaf rust on willow, <u>Melampsora</u> epitea | Willow    | Light infection in campground area.              |
| CRIMSON LAKE PARK                             |           |  |
| Organism                                      | Host      | Remarks  |

| Organism                       | Host      | Remarks   |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---|
| Insect                         |           |   |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges sp. | W. spruce | Caused severe damage to individual fringe and open growing trees. |
| Leaf aphids, Aphidae           | T. aspen  | Numerous "open feeding" aphids on foliage in picnic area.         |

| Root collar weevil, Hylobius sp.                            | W. spruce            | Noted 2 completely girdled saplings.                          |  |
|---|----------------------|---|--|
| Forest tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma</u> <u>disstria</u>  | T. aspen             | Larvae present in several locations in the Park.              |  |
| Spruce spider mite,<br>Oligonychus ununguis                 | W. spruce            | Caused severe foliage damage to a few densely branched trees. |  |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana                   | T. aspen             | Moderate defoliation on fringe saplings.                      |  |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                             | T. aspen             | Numerous weakened exposed trees infested                      |  |
| Disease   |                      |   |  |
| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea                      | T. aspen             | Causing severe mortality to mature trees in main campground.  |  |
| Yellow witches' broom Chrysomyxa arctostaphyli              | W. spruce            | Rust brooms numerous throughout the Park.                     |  |
| Pine needle cast, Elytroderma deformans                     | Lp. pine             | Perennial infections causing deformity of young trees.        |  |
| Globose gall rust,<br>Endocronartium harknessi              | Lp. pine<br><u>i</u> | Galls common on saplings throughout the Park.                 |  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                            | T. aspen             | A high percentage of mature trees infected.                   |  |
| CROSS LAKE PARK   |                      |   |  |
| Organism  | Host                 | Remarks   |  |
| Insect  |                      |   |  |
| Poplar serpentine miner,<br><u>Phyllocnistis</u> populiells |                      | Light infestation.  |  |
| Disease   |                      |   |  |
| Spruce needle rust,<br>Chrysomyxa ledicola                  | W. spruce            | Low incidence.  |  |

| Aspen leaf spot, Ciborinia whetzellii              | T. aspen  | Low incidence.          |
|--|-----------|-------------------------|
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                   | T. aspen  | Common on mature aspen. |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum               | T. aspen  | Low incidence.          |
| Balsam poplar leaf blight,<br>Linospora tetraspora | B. poplar | Moderate infection.     |

# CYPRESS HILLS PARK

| Organism   | Host      | Remarks   |
|--|-----------|---|
| Insect   |           |   |
| Black-headed budworm, Acleris variana                              | W. spruce | Low population.   |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges lariciatus                              | W. spruce | Common throughout Park.   |
| Leaf roller, Anacampsis innoculella                                | T. aspen  | Low population in Murray Hill area.   |
| Spruce budworm, Choristoneura fumiferana                           | W. spruce | Low population in Battle<br>Creek area. Defoliation<br>generally light.                         |
| Lodgepole needle miner,<br>Coleotechnites starki                   | Lp. pine  | Low population.   |
| Insect complex on spruce  Spruce coneworm,  Dioryctria reniculella | W. spruce | Low population found in mass beating samples from this host. Combined feeding damage was light. |
| A micro moth,<br>Griselda radicana                                 |           |   |
| Spruce budmoth, Zeiraphera fortunana                               |           |   |
| A tortricid, Zeuraphera ratzeburgiana                              |           |   |

Moderate damage to young American aspen beetle, T. aspen Gonioctena americana trees on fringe of aspen clones, light on mature trees. Prairie tent caterpillar, Rose Few tents generally Malacosoma californicum throughout Park. lutescens Poplar serpentine miner, T. aspen Low population Phyllocnistis populiella throughout Park. Disease Dwarf mistletoe, Lp. pine Considerable brooming along Arceuthobium americanum Grayburn Road and near the top of Ferguson Hill. Some tree and branch mortality. Globose gall rust, Lp. pine High incidence on regeneration Endocronartium harknessii lodgepole pine in Ferguson Hill area. Common throughout Park. T. aspen Low incidence. White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius Hypoxylon canker, Low incidence. T. aspen Hypoxylon mammatum

Organism Host Remarks
Insect
Leaf rollers, T. aspen Light injury recorded.
Undetermined sp.

Disease

Hypoxylon canker, T. aspen Few dead trees, light injury throughout Park.

#### DINOSAUR PARK

Organism Host Remarks

Insect

Gall midge, Willow Low incidence.

Rhabdophaga sp.

Leaf rollers Undetermined sp.

Cottonwood Low incidence.

## Disease

No diseases recorded.

| ENTRANCE P | ARK |
|------------|-----|
|            |     |
|            |     |

| Organism   | Host                   | Remarks   |
|--|------------------------|---|
| Insect   |                        |   |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges cooleyi                   | W. spruce              | Light damage common. A few trees severely infested.   |
| Gall aphid on conifers, Adelges <u>lariciatus</u>    | W. spruce<br>B. spruce | Low population throughout the Park.   |
| Pine root collar weevil, <u>Hylobius</u> sp.         | L. pine                | Scattered mortality of regeneration pine.   |
| Mourning cloak butterfly, Nymphalis antiopa          | Willow<br>B. poplar    | Defoliated a few trees in scattered locations in the Park,  |
| A leaf tier, Pseudexentera oregonana                 | T. aspen               | Light foliage damage in the area.   |
| Disease  |                        |   |
| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea               | L. pine                | Caused scattered mortality of regeneration pine.  |
| Yellow witches' broom Chrysomyxa arctostaphili       | B. spruce<br>W. spruce | Brooms present throughout the the Park.   |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola              | W. spruce              | Many infections throughout<br>the north end and in scattered<br>locations in the southern<br>portion. |
| Globose gall rust, Endocronartium harknessii         | Lp. pine               | Common throughout the Park.   |
| Aspen shoot blight, <u>Venturia</u> <u>macularis</u> | T. aspen               | Common throughout the Park.   |

# GARNER LAKE PARK

| Organism   | Host                      | Remarks   |  |
|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| Insect   |                           |   |  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfl<br><u>Pikonema</u> <u>alaskensis</u>  | y, W. spruce<br>C. spruce | Moderate injury to a few 3 - 6 foot white spruce that had not been sprayed. |  |
| Poplar serpentine miner,<br><u>Phylocnistis</u> populiella       | T. aspen                  | Low population  |  |
| Poplar borer, <u>Saperda calcarata</u>                           | T. aspen                  | Numerous mature trees severely infested.                                    |  |
| Disease  |                           |   |  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                                 | T. aspen                  | Conks on a high percentage of mature and overmature trees.                  |  |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum                             | T. aspen                  | Moderate infection throughout Park.   |  |
| GOOSEBERRY LAKE PARK   |                           |   |  |
|  |                           |   |  |
| Organism   | Host                      | Remarks   |  |
| Organism<br>Insect   |                           | Remarks   |  |
|  |                           | Remarks  Light boring damage throughout Park.                               |  |
| Insect Poplar borer,   | Host                      | Light boring damage throughout  |  |
| Insect  Poplar borer,  Saperda calcarata  Leaf rollers,          | Host<br>T. aspen          | Light boring damage throughout Park.  |  |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata  Leaf rollers, Undertermined sp. | Host<br>T. aspen          | Light boring damage throughout Park.  |  |

## GREGOIRE LAKE PARK

| Organism  | Host        | Remarks   |
|---|-------------|---|
| Insect  | •           |   |
| No insect infestations recorded.                        |             |   |
| Disease   |             |   |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                        | T. aspen    | Common throughout Park.                               |
| <u>HC</u>   | MMY PARK    |   |
| Organism  | Host        | Remarks   |
| Insect  |             |   |
| Leaf tier, <u>Compsolechia</u> niveopulvella            | T. aspen    | Low population, light damage.                         |
| American aspen beetle, Gonioctena americana             | T. aspen    | Low population on regeneration aspen.                 |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana               | T. aspen    | Moderate population throughout the Park.              |
| Grey willow leaf beetle, <u>Pyrrhalta</u> <u>decora</u> | T. aspen    | Low population of adult beetles.                      |
| JARVI   | IS BAY PARK |   |
| Organism  | Host        | Remarks   |
| Insect  |             |   |
| Leaf tier, Pseudexentera oregonana                      | T. aspen    | Caused light defoliation throughout the Park.         |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                         | T. aspen    | Noted several infested mature trees.                  |
| Disease   | ,           |   |
| A witches' broom Apiosporina collinsii                  | Saskatoon   | Infection severe along the bank above the lake shore. |
| Black-knot of cherry, Dibotryon morbosum                | Chokecherry | Common throughout the Park.                           |

| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius     | T. aspen | A high percentage of mature trees infected. |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum | T. aspen | Numerous declining mature trees infected.   |

## KINBROOK ISLAND PARK

| Organism                           | Host      | Remarks               |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Insect                             |           |                       |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges cooleyi | W. spruce | Moderate infestation. |
| Disease                            |           |                       |

No diseases recorded.

# LAC CARDINAL PARK

| Organism  | Host               | Remarks   |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Insect  |                    |   |
| Gall mite,<br>Eriophyidae                                 | T. aspen           | Light damage to aspen foliage.  |
| American aspen beetle, <u>Gonioctena</u> <u>americana</u> | T. aspen           | Low population.   |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis          | W. spruce          | Moderate population on planted spruce.                                |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana                 | T. aspen           | Low population causing light damage.                                  |
| Grey willow leaf beetle, <u>Pyrrhalta</u> <u>decora</u>   | T. aspen           | Moderate population of adults on regeneration aspen.                  |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                           | T. aspen B. poplar | Light damage evident in semi-mature trees north of Headquarters site. |
| Disease   |                    |   |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola                   | W. spruce          | Many of the planted spruce moderately infected.                       |

| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum         | T. aspen | Low incidence, some mortality to young trees. |
|--|----------|---|
| Shoot blight of aspen,<br>Venturia macularis | T. aspen | Low incidence on regeneration aspen.          |

# LESSER SLAVE LAKE PARK

| Organism   | Host      | Remarks  |
|--|-----------|--|
| Insect   |           |  |
| Aphids   | B. poplar | High population on regeneration.   |
| Ugly nest caterpillar, Archips cerasivoranus       | Cherry    | Low population at the south end of the Park.   |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                    | T. aspen  | High population on mature aspen along the lake shore.  |
| Disease  |           | ,  |
| Dwarf mistletoe, Arceuthobium americanum           | J. pine   | Heavy infection on a few trees in the Martin River Campsite and also a few trees near the southeast end of the Park. |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola            | W. spruce | Scattered light to moderate infection throughout the Park.   |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                   | T. aspen  | Common throughout the Park.  |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum               | T. aspen  | A few cankers present.   |
| Balsam poplar leaf blight,<br>Linospora tetraspora | B. poplar | Common throughout the Park.  |
| Tar spot, Rhytisma salicinum                       | Willow    | Common throughout the Park.  |
| Aspen shoot blight, <u>Venturia</u> macularis      | T. aspen  | Scattered light damage.  |
|  |           |  |

## LITTLE BOW PARK

Organism Host Remarks

Insect

No infestations recorded

#### Disease

Die back

Russian poplar

Samples were checked at the laboratory but no disease was found and cause of die back was not determined. More samples will be taken in 1974.

#### LITTLE FISH PARK

Organism

Host

Remarks

Insect

No infestations recorded.

Disease

Die back

R. elm W. birch Probably climatic damage.

LONG LAKE PARK

Organism

Host

Remarks

Insect

Spruce gall aphid,

Adelges species

W. spruce

Low incidence.

American aspen beetle,

Gonioctena americana

T. aspen

Moderate in overflow camping

area

Grey willow leaf beetle, T. aspen

Pyrrhalta decora

Low population.

Disease

Spruce needle rust,

Chrysomyxa ledicola

W. spruce

Low incidence.

White trunk rot,

Fomes igniarius

T. aspen

Low incidence.

Hypoxylon canker,

Hypoxylon mammatum

T. aspen

Campground area.

## MIQUELON LAKE PARK

| MIQ   | OELL       | IN LAKE PARK |  |
|---|------------|--------------|--|
| Organism  | Hos        | <u>st</u>    | Remarks  |
| Insect  |            |              |  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly,<br><u>Pikonema</u> <u>alaskensis</u> | W.         | spruce       | Very light damage.   |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                                   | <b>T</b> . | aspen        | Low incidence.   |
| Disease   |            |              |  |
| Apiosporina witch's broom, Apiosporina collinsii                  | Sas        | skatoon      | Moderate infection in north campground area.                                   |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum                              | T.         | aspen        | Low incidence.   |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                                  | T.         | aspen        | Numerous conks on mature trees and on some supressed trees.                    |
| <u>M</u>  | OONS       | SHINE PARK   |  |
| Organism  | Hos        | <u>st</u>    | Remarks  |
| Insect  |            |              |  |
| Black-headed budworm, Acleris variana                             | W.         | spruce       | Low population.  |
| Large aspen tortrix, <u>Choristoneura conflictana</u>             |            | aspen        | Low population. No damage evident.   |
| Leaf tier, Compsolechia niveopulvell                              |            | aspen        | Light defoliation.   |
| American aspen beetle, Gonioctena americana                       | T.         | aspen        | Caused considerable defoliation of small aspen.                                |
| Oregon fir sawyer, <u>Monochamus oregonensis</u>                  | W.         | spruce       | Low population present.  |
| Leaf beetle, Orsodacne atra                                       | T.         | aspen        | Low population.  |
| Poplar serpentine miner, Phyllocnistis populiella                 | T.         | aspen        | Low population.  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly,<br>Pikonema alaskensis               | W.         | spruce       | High population causing moderate to severe defoliation of open growing spruce. |

of open growing spruce.

### Disease

| Peor condition of pine | Scots pine | Many of 1973 plantings in poor condition. Many 15 - 20 foot pine also in poor condition due to shading by overstory of poplars. |
|------------------------|------------|---|
|------------------------|------------|---|

## PEMBINA RIVER PARK

| Organism   | Host                   | Remarks  |
|--|------------------------|--|
| Insect   |                        |  |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges cooleyi                         | W. spruce<br>C. spruce | Moderate numbers of galls present on open growing spruce.                  |
| Gallaphid on conifers, Adelges lariciatus                  | W. spruce<br>C. spruce | Low numbers of galls present.  |
| Forest tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma</u> <u>disstria</u> | T. aspen               | Low population present.  |
| Pitch nodule maker,  Petroya albicapitana                  | Pine                   | Scattered twig damage.   |
| Yellow headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis           | W. spruce              | Low population present, high defoliation of a few trees.                   |
| Grey willow leaf beetle, Pyrrhalta decora                  | T. aspen               | Moderate leaf damage to regeneration aspen around the administration site. |
| Spruce bud midge,  Rhabdophaga swainei                     | W. spruce              | Low population present.  |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                            | T. aspen               | Light damage common. Heavy infestation on aspen near the Park entrance.    |
| Disease  |                        |  |
| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea                     | Lp. pine               | One dead tree infected with this disease.                                  |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola                    | W. spruce<br>C. spruce | Moderate infection of a few trees.   |

| Leaf tier,  Pseudexentera oregonana              | T. aspen     | Low population.   |  |
|--|--------------|---|--|
| Disease  |              |   |  |
| Apiosporina witches Apiosporina collinsii        | Saskatoon    | Low incidence.  |  |
| Poplar ink spot, Ciborinia whetzelii             | T. aspen     | A few individual trees with light infection.            |  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                 | T. aspen     | Low incidence Only a few conks observed.                |  |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum            | T. aspen     | Light infection causing some mortality to young aspen.  |  |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola          | W. spruce    | Regeneration spruce moderately infected.                |  |
| Shoot blight of aspen, <u>Venturia</u> macularis | T. aspen     | Caused considerable shoot damage to regeneration aspen. |  |
|  | O'BRIEN PARK |   |  |
| Organism   | Host         | Remarks   |  |
| Insect   |              |   |  |
| Gall aphid, Pemphigus sp.                        | B. poplar    | High population throughout the Park.                    |  |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana        | T. aspen     | Low on aspen regeneration.                              |  |
| Gall midge, Rhobdophaga swainei                  | W. spruce    | High population on small spruce.                        |  |
| Disease  |              |   |  |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola          | W. spruce    | Low incidence on planted spruce.                        |  |
| PARK LAKE PARK                                   |              |   |  |
| Organism   | Host         | Remarks   |  |
| Insect   |              |   |  |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges cooleyi               | W. spruce    | Severe on trees near headquarters.                      |  |

| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                    | T. aspen | Conks present on numerous dead and dying trees through-<br>out the Park. |
|---|----------|--|
| Hypoxylon canker of aspen, Hypoxylon mammatum       | T, aspen | A few cankers caused by this disease.                                    |
| Leaf and twig blight of poplar,  Venturia macularis | T. aspen | Light shoot damage.  |
| Birch dieback                                       | Birch    | Common in the Park, no evidence of fungus present.                       |

# PIGEON LAKE PARK

| Organism   | Host      | Remarks   |
|--|-----------|---|
| Insect   |           |   |
| Leaf aphids,<br>Aphidae                                    | B. poplar | Numerous "open feeding" aphids noted on the foliage of large trees. |
| American aspen beetle, Gonioctena americana                | T. aspen  | Low population.   |
| Forest tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma</u> <u>disstria</u> | T. aspen  | A few larvae present.   |
| Leaf tier, <u>Pseudexentera</u> oregonana                  | T. aspen  | Caused patchy, light defoliation.                                   |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                            | T. aspen  | Infested trees common in the Park.                                  |
| Disease  |           |   |
| Cytospora canker, <u>Cytospora</u> chrysosperma            | B. poplar | Cankers observed on exposed saplings.                               |
| Hypoxylon canker, Hypoxylon mammatum                       | T. aspen  | Cankers common on stems of mature trees.                            |

## ROCHON SANDS PARK

| Organism   | Host        | Remarks  |
|--|-------------|--|
| Insect   |             |  |
| Poplar bud gall mite, Aceria parapopuli                  | T. aspen    | Light  |
| Gall mite, <u>Eriophyes</u>                              | T. aspen    | Light  |
| Leaf roller, <u>Pandemis canadana</u>                    | T. aspen    | Light.   |
| Sawfly,  Phyllocalpa nr. robusta                         | T. aspen    | Light.   |
| Disease  |             |  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                         | T. aspen    | Numerous dead trees.   |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum                    | T. aspen    | Moderate infection.  |
| SASKATOON  | ISLAND PARK |  |
| Organism   | Host        | Remarks  |
| Insect   |             |  |
| Leaf tier, Compsolechia niveopulvella                    | T. aspen    | Low population causing light damage.                                 |
| Bruce spanworm, Operophtera bruceata                     | T. aspen    | Low population.  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis         | W. spruce   | Light damage.  |
| Leaf tier,  Pseudexentera oregonana                      | T. aspen    | Medium population causing considerable damage to regeneration aspen. |
| Gall midge, Rhabdophaga swainei                          | W. spruce   | Low population   |
| Disease  |             |  |
| Apiosporina witches' broom, <u>Apiosporina</u> collinsii | Saskatoon   | Low incidence - only a few brooms evident.                           |

| Shoestring root rot, Armillaria mellea  | T. aspen  | High infection in area east of parking lot on dead or dying mature trees. |
|---|-----------|---|
| Disease                                 |           |   |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola | W. spruce | Light infection on planted  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius        | T. aspen  | Light infection. Only a few conks noted.                                  |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum   | T. aspen  | Light infection, low mortality.   |
| Aspen shoot blight, Venturia macularis  | T. aspen  | Light damage to regeneration aspen  |

## SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL PARK

| Organism   | Host      | Remarks                                   |  |
|--|-----------|---|--|
| Insect   | •         |   |  |
| Birch skeletonizer, <u>Bucculatrix</u> canadensisella          | Birch     | Light infestation.                        |  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly, <u>Pikonema</u> <u>alaskensis</u> | W. spruce | Low population.                           |  |
| Poplar borer, <u>Saperda</u> calcarata                         | T. aspen  | Low population.                           |  |
| Disease  |           |   |  |
| Apiosporina witches' broom, Apiosporina collinsii              | Saskatoon | Light infection                           |  |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                               | T. aspen  | Only a few conks but numerous dead trees. |  |
| Balsam poplar leaf blight,<br>Linospora tetraspora             | B. poplar | Moderate infection                        |  |
| THE VERMILION PARK   |           |   |  |

| Organism                                       | Host     | Remarks |
|--|----------|---------|
| Insect   |          |         |
| Large aspen tortrix, Choristoneura conflictana | T. aspen | Light   |

| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                  | T. aspen  | Light.   |
|--|-----------|--|
| Disease  |           |  |
| Apiosporina witches broom, Apiosporina collinsii | Saskatoon | Low incidence.   |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum            | T. aspen  | Numerous old dead infected trees. Infection low on living trees. |

## THUNDER LAKE PARK

| Organism   | Host      | Remarks  |
|--|-----------|--|
| Insect   |           |  |
| Poplar bud-gall mite, Aceria parapopuli                    | T. aspen  | A few galls present in the Park.   |
| Cooley spruce gall aphid, Adelges cooleyi                  | Spruce    | High population on a few planted spruce.   |
| Spruce gall aphid, Adelges lariciatus                      | Spruce    | Present on a few planted trees.  |
| Aphids,  | B. poplar | High populations on regeneration.  |
| Forest tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma</u> <u>disstria</u> | T. aspen  | Low population present. Egg band sampling indicated low populations for 1974.  |
| Poplar leaf petiole gall mite,<br><u>Pemphigus</u> sp.     | B. poplar | Numerous galls present.  |
| Yellow headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis           | Spruce    | Low to moderate populations<br>on planted spruce. High<br>population caused severe defo-<br>liation of black spruce in a<br>muskeg area within the Park. |
| Grey willow leaf beetle, Pyrrhalta decora                  | T. aspen  | Light leaf damage on regeneration aspen.   |
| Poplar borer, Saperda calcarata                            | T. aspen  | High population present.<br>Some top die-back has<br>occurred.   |

### Disease

| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                    | T. aspen | Present in the larger aspen.   |
|---|----------|--|
| Hypoxylon canker of aspen, Hypoxylon mammatum       | T. aspen | Aspen is severely infected throughout the Park. Numerous trees were recently killed. |
| Leaf and twig blight of poplar,  Venturia macularis | T. aspen | Scattered damage on regeneration.  |

## WABAMUN LAKE PARK

| Organism   | Host                | Remarks   |
|--|---------------------|---|
| Insect   |                     |   |
| Black headed budworm, Acleris variana                      | W. spruce           | Low population present.   |
| Gall aphid on conifer, Adelges lariciatus                  | W. spruce B. spruce | Moderate damage to a few trees.   |
| A flea beetle, Altica populi                               | B. poplar           | Low population present.   |
| Forest tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma</u> <u>disstria</u> | T. aspen            | Low population throughout<br>the Park. No notable<br>defoliation.                     |
| Spruce spider mite, Oligonychus ununguis                   | W. spruce           | Low population throughout the Park.   |
| Poplar serpentine miner, <u>Phyllocnistis populiella</u>   | T. aspen            | Light damage present.   |
| Yellow headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis           | W. spruce           | Low population present.   |
| Grey willow leaf beetle, <u>Pyrrhalta decora</u>           | T. aspen            | Light damage to regeneration aspen.   |
| Disease  |                     |   |
| White trunk rot, Fomes igniarius                           | T. aspen            | Heavy infection throughout<br>the Park. Numerous dead<br>trees and dead tops present. |

Hypoxylon canker of aspen,
Hypoxylon mammatum

T. aspen

Numerous cankers present. Scattered mortality.

## WILLIAMSON PARK

| Organism   | <u>Host</u> | Remarks                                       |
|--|-------------|---|
| Insect   |             |   |
| Black-headed budworm, Acleris variana  | W. spruce   | Low on spruce in camping area.                |
| Leaf tiers, <u>Compsolechia niveopulvella</u> <u>Pseudexentera oregonana</u> | T. aspen    | Low population causing light damage.          |
| Bruce spanworm, Operophtera bruceata   | T. aspen    | Low populations, no noticeable damage.        |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly, <u>Pikonema</u> <u>alaskensis</u>               | W. spruce   | Medium population causing moderate damage.    |
| Grey willow leaf beetle,  Pyrrhalta decora                                   | T. aspen    | Low population.                               |
| Gall midge, <u>Rhabdophaga</u> <u>swainei</u>                                | W. spruce   | Light damage on a few trees.                  |
| Disease  |             |   |
| Apiosporina witches' broom, <u>Apiosporina collinsii</u>                     | Saskatoon   | A few scattered brooms.                       |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola                                      | W. spruce   | Moderate infection on spruce in camping area. |
| White trunk rot, Fomes ignarius  | T. aspen    | Found throughout the Park.                    |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum  | T. aspen    | Low incidence.                                |
| Shoot blight of aspen,  Venturia macularis                                   | T. aspen    | Light damage to regeneration aspen.           |

## WINAGAMI LAKE PARK

| Organism  | Host      | Remarks  |  |
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| Insect  |           |  |  |
| Black-headed budworm, Acleris variana                                     | W. spruce | Light damage.  |  |
| Leaf tiers,  Compsolechia niveopulvella  Pseudexentera oregonana          | T. aspen  | Low population causing light damage.   |  |
| Bruce spanworm, Operophtera bruceata                                      | T. aspen  | Low population.  |  |
| Yellow-headed spruce sawfly, Pikonema alaskensis                          | W. spruce | High population, causing severe damage to open-growing spruce.   |  |
| Grey willow leaf beetle,  Pyrrhalta decora                                | T. aspen  | Low population.  |  |
| Gall midge, Rhabdophaga swainei   | W. spruce | Light damage.  |  |
| Disease   |           |  |  |
| Spruce needle rust, Chrysomyxa ledicola                                   | W. spruce | Moderate infection on spruce in picnic area.   |  |
| Hypoxylon canker,  Hypoxylon mammatum                                     | T. aspen  | Light infection.   |  |
| Shoot blight of aspen, <u>Venturia macularis</u>                          | T. aspen  | Light damage to regeneration aspen.  |  |
| WRITING ON STONE PARK   |           |  |  |
| Organism  | Host      | Remarks  |  |
| Insect  |           | ,  |  |
| Gall mite,<br>Eriophyidae   | Willow    | Light.   |  |
| Prairie tent caterpillar, <u>Malacosoma californicum</u> <u>lutescens</u> | Rose      | Few tents throughout Park. (sprayed)   |  |

## WRITING ON STONE PARK (Cont.)

Gall aphid,

Poplar

Few galls generally.

Pemphigus sp.

Willow cone gall midge,
Rhabdophaga strobiloides

Willow

Few galls.

Disease

None recorded.