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## WINTER DAMAGE IN THE CHIP CREEK AND NYLAND LAKE AREA

CARIBOO FOREST DISTRICT, MAY 1974

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A request by the B. C. Forest Service to examine damaged trees in the Chip Creek and Nyland Lake areas was carried out on May 29 in the company of District Ranger John Little and Doug Brewis, i/c Resources Area, Cariboo District.

In the Chip Creek area many Douglas-fir and some spruce trees have thinned crowns. A few trees have died, notably some of the overmature alpine fir. The stand damage is attributed to the unfavourable winter weather conditions in 1971-72. Some of the dead and dying trees have been attacked by ambrosia beetles.

Winter damage has also thinned the crowns of Douglas-fir trees in the Nyland Lake area. A few Douglas-fir have died. However the trees are on a good growing site and the new foliage will generally improve the appearance of the stand by midsummer.

No primary bark beetles were noted in either area, however the weakened trees will remain susceptible to attack for a time and should be examined for such during the ensuing year.