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# PEST REPORT

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*Venturia macularis* ON TREMBLING ASPEN

IN PRINCE RUPERT DISTRICT

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This leaf and shoot blight presently lightly infects most of the trembling aspen in the Bulkley Valley from Burns Lake to Hazelton. The most noticeable area is a spectacular patchwork effect produced by heavy damage surrounding Houston for approximately 10 km. Hazelton, which had heavy infection in 1977, has only light infection this year. The area around Smithers is lightly infected, with the exception of pockets of heavy infection near Tyee Lake and along the Telkwa River Road. Light to moderate infection occurs between Telkwa - Quick and near Round, Burns and Decker lakes areas. Moderate to heavy browning of aspen leaves is visible along Highway #16 from the Burns Lake airport to Palling and Decker Lake. The north side of Francois Lake has light infection generally, except for pockets of moderate to heavy browning near the west end of the lake. Light patches of infection also occur near Owen Lake.

Trembling aspen trees infected with this disease usually recover and refoliate by the end of summer.