



CITY OF RAPID CITY

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To: Mayor Alan Hanks and
City Council Members

From: Jerry W. Cole, Director

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Subject: Tree Inspections for Pine Beetle Infestation

Date: March 23, 2011

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At the meeting on February 7th, 2011, City Council members requested information on funding available for tree inspections for possible mountain pine beetle infestation.

Lon Van Deusen,
Parks & Cemetery
Manager
(605) 394-4175

Parks and Recreation staff researched this request and found that the Resource Conservation & Forest Division (SD Department of Agriculture) will provide inspections at no cost. Homeowners can contact the SD Forestry Division for an inspection at:

Doug Lowe,
Recreation Manager
(605) 394-6161

Resource Conservation & Forestry Division
3305 ½ West South Street
Rapid City, SD 57702
(605) 394-2395

Duncan Olney
Aquatics Manager
(605) 394-5223

Also, Urban Forester Gary Garner has been inspecting trees on public land throughout the City's park system and when infested trees are found, they are removed.

If you have any questions, please contact me.