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The Mountain Pine Beetle Eradication project is well underway in the Rapid City community.

Parks and Recreation staff members have inspected more than 350 properties and approximately 40% of these properties have infested trees. The largest property to date had over 100 trees infested with Mountain Pine Beetles.

As of Friday, January 27, 2012, more than \$25,000 has been identified for reimbursement to affected property owners. Staff continues to inspect an average of 20-30 properties per day. We are also getting good cooperation from the private forestry businesses in the community to help defeat this problem.

If you have any questions, please contact me.