

## **Waskesiu Community Donation Program Spruce Tree Protection and Enhancement (Waskesiu Townsite)**

At the request of the Waskesiu Community Council, Parks Canada Agency recently agreed to undertake an aerial spraying program in Waskesiu in 2012 and 2013 to combat a growing infestation of spruce budworm in our community – an infestation that continues to weaken, damage and kill spruce trees of all ages throughout our townsite.

Parks Canada will, however, only proceed with the program in 2012 **if the community has committee to fund \$64,000 of the costs associated with the program. Most importantly, half of that commitment (\$32,000) must be in place by not later than February 28, 2012.**

This initiative, which is designed to protect our spruce trees, has received support from the Boards of all of the major community organizations within Waskesiu, including the Waskesiu Community Council, the Waskesiu Seasonal Residents Association (WSRA), the Lobstick Golf Course, the Coalition of Park Supporters (CPS), and the Waskesiu Chamber of Commerce.

**Working together, as a community, we can make this happen - but only with your financial support.**

The Waskesiu Foundation, in keeping with its charitable objects of “...*tree-planting, and the protection and/or preservation of trees and other vegetation...*” within the Waskesiu townsite, has agreed to accept donations (**and will issue charitable donation tax receipts**) for donors who help fund our community’s portion of the cost of combating the spruce budworm infestation. In addition, the Waskesiu Foundation is also accepting donations to help continue its current vegetation enhancement program in Waskesiu - pursuant to which the Foundation and Parks Canada Agency, working cooperatively, have also been planting new spruce trees in our townsite.

**Please support either (or both) of these important initiatives, and make a donation!  
Complete the attached form and mail it to the Waskesiu Foundation prior to February 28, 2012.**

**Better yet**, if you want to receive a charitable receipt for 2011, please make sure you send your donation in right away, and that your envelope is post-marked before the end of December.

Thank you, in advance, for helping our community!

John Stevenson, President, WSRA



*To protect and enhance Waskesiu now and for future generations*

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**To: The Waskesiu Foundation Inc.  
P.O. Box 242  
Saskatoon, SK  
S7K 3K4**

**YES**, I want to help protect and/or enhance the health of spruce trees in the Waskesiu Townsite!

Please accept my charitable donation for:

- ✓ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help combat the spruce budworm infestation in the Waskesiu townsite (in 2012 and 2013).\*
- ✓ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help fund additional tree planting in the Waskesiu townsite.

My cheque, made payable to “**The Waskesiu Foundation**”, is attached.

Please issue my charitable tax receipt to the address on the cheque or, alternatively, as follows:

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(\**Note*: Should more funds be raised than are needed to undertake the spruce budworm program, the excess funds may be used by the Waskesiu Foundation to help fund additional tree planting in the Waskesiu townsite in future years and/or for the other charitable purposes of the Waskesiu Foundation.)