Browntail Moth Exposure Risk 2020

Disclaimer: Survey is not complete.
Ratings based on current knowledge of defoliation, winter web surveys and other observations at the township level. Some townships are rated based on surrounding conditions versus surveys. Conditions within each township are variable.

Normal: Be aware of the risk of browntail moth exposure. Moths have been found in light traps in all corners of the state. Areas rich in host trees, especially apples and other fruit trees and oaks, are more likely to have populations.

Alert: Town is near locations with detections of browntail moth. Survey has not been conducted or has not revealed established populations.

Trace: A small number of webs were found.

Low: Webs were frequently encountered, or patches of trees with webs were found.

Moderate: Defoliation was mapped and/or continuous stretches of overwintering webs were found.

High: Defoliation was mapped and/or continuous stretches of high populations of winter webs were found.

NOTE: destruction of winter webs within reach should be considered in all areas, but will be especially fruitful in areas with trace to low populations, or for detections in the normal or alert areas.

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