

<u>Important details to be ready to report</u>: Be ready to include details to make a "report" - Sightings need to be validated so providing as much detail as possible will help the expert confirm identifications and relocate the site, if the issue demands urgent attention.

- Date of observation
- Nearest town and province
- Latitude x longitude values
- Host plant(s)
- Good photo(s) lateral, dorsal, damage symptoms, host plant, etc., with some sort of size reference is ideal
- Chronological photos (i.e., that tell the story of detection and how and when symptoms or specimen came to your attention)
- A specimen may be needed by your provincial entomologist or CFIA

**Option 1**: Contact your provincial entomologist to confirm identifications and details – they are able to help and historically have acted to triage reports then direct relevant information to CFIA counterparts:

- Manitoba (<u>John.Gavloski@gov.mb.ca</u>)
- Saskatchewan (james.tansey@gov.sk.ca)
- Alberta (<u>shelley.barkley@gov.ab.ca</u>)

**Option 2**: Alternatively, reports can be sent directly using one of the following paths:

- Using CFIA's Report A Pest website form
- Contact a local CFIA office
- Or contact CFIA'S general surveillance account email at cfia.surveillance-surveillance.acia@canada.ca
- o Or contact CFIA's Survey Biologist for the Western Area (david.holden@canada.ca)

**Option 3**: Another alternative is to consider documenting your query using iNaturalist.ca (<u>read more here</u>). The basic steps involved are:

- Create an account at iNaturalist.ca (<a href="https://inaturalist.ca/signup">https://inaturalist.ca/signup</a>)
- Watch your Inbox for a basic how-to guide.
- Upload photos or videos (e.g., bird calls) to create an "Observation"
- iNaturalist subscribers flagged as experts will help identify your observation.