

# WPLT TRAFFIC REPORT

Good morning. I'm Dave Flowers with the morning traffic report for WPLT News.

Let's get right to it with a report from down under. For all you water molecule commuters coming from the feeder roots, it's pretty clear making your way to the Xylem Interplant Expressway. Once you get on the expressway, it's smooth sailing up to speed straight through to the downtown foliage area. There is one problem coming off Exit 14 to the right mid-branch. We don't know what's causing the blockage yet. There have been some reports of borer activity in the area, but as soon as we determine what the issue is, we'll let you know. Otherwise, all traffic exiting the Xylem Expressway to the leaf factories via the petioles and vein network is looking good. Watch for the nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium ions when you get around the petiole areas. Those factories will be cranking out the food products in another hour or so, making traffic through the vein network above average.

Jennifer over at WPLT Weather reports no fog in the area. Our eye in the sky, Hummingbird

14, is reporting visibility of about 10 miles with minimal wind, which should keep incoming butterfly traffic from having any problems reaching the nectar refueling ports on the flowers. Transpiration for the water traffic will rise once the temperature gets up to speed. Oxygen traffic coming out of the stomata will also kick up once the light energy reaches a higher level, and the factories start manufacturing.

Traffic near the stem tips should slow way down as the school zones for kid cells are very busy this time of year.

Thanks, Gina. We've just received a bulletin that maintenance crews will be doing work in the upper canopy area today, including some trimming. Be careful to stay away from that area until they're done. Once they have completed their work, you can expect some new routes to be opening up soon.

Bee traffic around the flower farms is very heavy right now, as nectar and pollen production are in full swing. This should last another week or two until the fruit begins to set. Once that happens, look for heavier traffic going to the fruit area, particularly the sugar carriers coming from the leaf factories.

Rain this afternoon will keep the flow of water molecules moving through the root routes. If the fertilizer crews get done with their work before the rain comes, you can expect to see higher than normal ion movement through the root feeder routes in the days following.

With rain levels being fairly steady this time of year, stomata have remained fully open for a smooth inflow of carbon dioxide molecules.

A few exits off the Phloem Expressway are experiencing some slowdowns as starch molecules are starting to bunch up in the pith regions.

Okay, just in. There is some garden police activity on Branch 34. Webworms are causing extensive damage to the leaf factories in that area. We advise all nutrient vehicles to avoid that area until they clear the webs. The garden police don't waste any time with these guys.

Our underground monitors are detecting some stop 'n go traffic near the root hairs in Section 31. Gina, do you have any information yet on what that is? ... Okay, not yet. I'm betting it's nematode probing, but we'll update when it becomes clearer.

Yeah, go ahead, Carl. A detour ... okay, there is a detour in the older section of town. Nutrient

flow is being redirected around the chloroplasts and into the red and gold processing plants. Isn't it a little early for that, Carl? Yeah, I suppose it could be an early winter this year. Thanks, Carl, keep us updated.

DOT is reporting a construction zone along stem 13. They are doing some air layering work there and should be done in about two hours.

All stolon lanes are open to the outlying communities.

Seed distribution centers are not yet open, so there is very little traffic going to that area. It will probably be a month or two before we have to worry about that area.

Okay, Gina says the trimming work in the upper canopy that we told you about earlier has now begun. Best estimate is two to three hours, but we'll let you know when it is clear.

Beware in the feeder root routes as they are going to be putting down a granular systemic insecticide tomorrow. Local traffic should consider those compounds as tourists and cut them some slack as they try to figure out where they're going.

Well, that about wraps it up for this segment. We'll be on remote from the flower fields at noon, so we'll see you then. Of course, if there are any emergencies that come up, we'll cut in and get that information to you.