

Mosquito spraying scheduled in northwest Dallas

Additional mosquito collections found to be positive for West Nile Virus

Dallas – In response to additional West Nile Virus positive mosquito samples Dallas City staff will spray to reduce adult mosquitoes. These mosquitoes were collected in the 11200 block of Dennis Road and the 2900 block of Townsend Drive. Spraying will begin Friday night and be completed Saturday morning. Spraying will begin June 30, after 10 p.m. and should conclude July 1, prior to 6 a.m.

The area to be sprayed is bounded by Northaven Road, Webb Chapel Road, Royal Lane and Denton Drive. (**Map Attached**). Citizens in the above area should avoid contact with the spray by staying indoors. Persons inside a vehicle while trucks are actively spraying should remain in their vehicles with the windows up and the air conditioner on until the trucks pass and the spray is no longer visible. Persons out when spraying is to take place should be alert for trucks and should not follow them. If contacted by the spray, wash the affected area thoroughly with soap and water. The spray breaks down quickly in the presence of sunlight and has no residual effect.

Additional mosquito collections test positive

Five additional mosquito collections have tested positive for West Nile Virus. These collections were made in the 10400 block of Clary Drive, 75218; 8800 Sugarberry Road, 75249; 500 S. Good-Latimer, 75226; 200 S. Merrifield Road, 75211; and 3300 Ravinia Drive, 75233. Storm sewer spraying is scheduled where appropriate and each location is being evaluated for possible spraying to reduce the number of adult mosquitoes.

Protection against mosquito bites

Dallas residents are urged to take precautions against mosquito bites by reducing outdoor activity during evening and nighttime hours. Residents who are outside during these times should cover their arms and legs and use a mosquito repellent.

Prevent mosquito breeding

Residents should eliminate standing water to prevent mosquito breeding and the spread of West Nile Virus. Breeding places for mosquitoes include swimming pools that are not kept clean, stagnant ponds, pet watering dishes, birdbaths, potted plants, old tires, empty containers, toys and clogged rain gutters. Standing water should be eliminated promptly, as mosquitoes can grow from egg to adult in as little as seven days.

To report standing water or mosquito problems Dallas residents should call 3-1-1. For additional information on Mosquito Control, visit the City's website at http://dallascityhall.com/html/mosq_latest_updates.html.