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Mosquito control spraying scheduled in three North Dallas neighborhoods

Mosquito collections positive for West Nile Virus now total 57 in the City of Dallas

Dallas – Responding to a human case of West Nile virus and a reported human case of West Nile disease, City of Dallas staff will spray to reduce the numbers of mosquitoes in three areas in north Dallas on Wednesday night and ending on Thursday morning, August 9 and 10, 2006. Spraying will begin after 10:30 p.m. and will conclude prior to 6 a.m.

Spray Areas (Maps Attached)

Control Area 1: The area to be sprayed is bounded by Preston Road, LBJ Freeway, White Rock Creek, and Churchill Way. [Map](#)

Control Area 2: The area is bounded by Hillcrest Road, Alpha Road, Meandering Way, and LBJ Freeway. [Map](#)

Control Area 3: The area is bounded by Preston Road, Meadow Road, Hillcrest Road and Northwest Highway. [Map](#)

While the insecticide is considered safe, residents in the above areas 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. Fish ponds should also be protected.

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 www.dallascityhall.com.

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