



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Monday, August 14, 2006

## **Mosquito control spraying scheduled for Mountainview College and Hillcrest High School areas**

*Human cases of West Nile disease in Dallas total 17. Mosquito collections positive for West Nile Virus now total 58 in the City*

**Dallas** – In response to mosquito samples positive for West Nile virus and human cases of West Nile disease, city staff will spray to reduce the number of adult mosquitoes in Mountain View College and Hillcrest High School areas. Spraying will begin, Wednesday night, August 16, 2006, after 10:30 P.M. and will conclude prior to 6:00 A.M. Thursday morning, August 17, 2006.

**Control Area 1:** The area to be sprayed is bounded by Royal Lane, Boedeker Street, Walnut Hill Lane, Hillcrest Road, Meadow Road and Tibbs Street. [Map](#)

**Control Area 2:** The area to be sprayed is bounded by Bayview Drive and Las Haciendas Drive, Cockrell Hill Road, Keist Boulevard, Duncanville Road, Illinois Avenue and Knoxville Street. [Map](#)

While the insecticide is considered safe, residents and visitors in the area should avoid the spray by staying indoors, or if in a vehicle by staying in the vehicle with the windows up and the air conditioner on until the spray is no longer visible. Fish ponds should also be covered.

### **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](http://www.dallascityhall.com).

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