



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
Wednesday, August 16, 2006

## **Mosquito control spraying scheduled east of Central Expressway and south of Monticello Avenue and Oak Lawn area**

*Human cases of West Nile disease in Dallas total 21  
Mosquito collections positive for West Nile Virus now total 61 in the City*

**Dallas** – Responding to mosquito samples positive for West Nile virus and human cases of West Nile disease, City of Dallas staff will spray to reduce the number of adult mosquitoes east of Central Expressway and south of Monticello Avenue and Oak Lawn area. Spraying will begin, Thursday night, August 17, 2006, after 10:30 p.m. and will conclude prior to 6 a.m. Friday morning, August 18, 2006.

### **Spray Area: [Map Attached](#)**

The area to be sprayed is bounded by the city of Highland Park, Monticello Avenue, McMillan Avenue, Henderson Avenue, Capitol Avenue, Fitzhugh Avenue, Turtle Creek Boulevard, Cedar Springs Road, Oak Lawn Avenue and Dallas North Tollway.

While the insecticide is considered safe, residents in the above areas should avoid contact with the spray by staying indoors. 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](http://www.dallascityhall.com).

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