



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Thursday, August 17, 2006

## **Mosquito control spraying scheduled for Richland College and Lake Highland areas**

*Human cases of West Nile disease in Dallas total 21. Mosquito collections positive for West Nile Virus now total 61 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 Richland College and Lake Highland areas. Spraying will begin, Sunday night, August 20, 2006, after 10:30 P.M. and will conclude prior to 6:00 A.M. Monday morning, August 21, 2006.

**Control Area 1:** The area to be sprayed is bounded by Walnut Street, Audelia Road, Forest Lane, LBJ Freeway and Greenville Avenue (The Richland College campus contained in this area will not be sprayed).

[Map](#)

**Control Area 2:** The area to be sprayed is bounded by Royal Lane, Audelia Road and Skillman 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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