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Mosquito Control Spraying in Northeast Dallas in Response to the Twenty-fourth Positive Mosquito Collection

Human cases total seven

Dallas, TX - City of Dallas staff will spray an area near in northeast Dallas starting Thursday, August 23 and ending Friday, August 24, 2007. Spraying will begin after 10 p.m. and will conclude prior to 3 a.m. each day.

Control Area: (map attached)

The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded by The DART Rail track, Walnut Hill Lane, Ferndale Road, and LBJ Freeway.

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. Residents who come in contact with the spray are advised to 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 be protected and pets should be brought inside during the spraying period.

Protection against mosquito bites

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

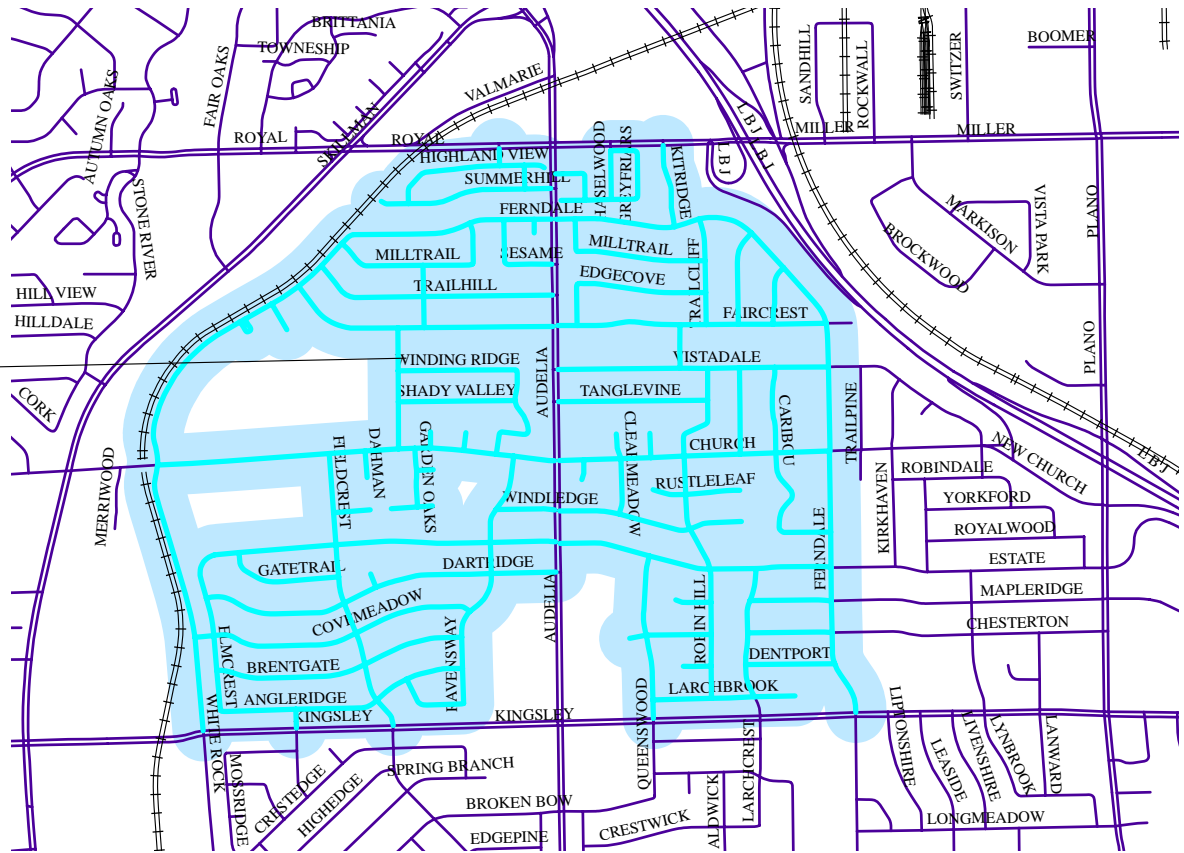
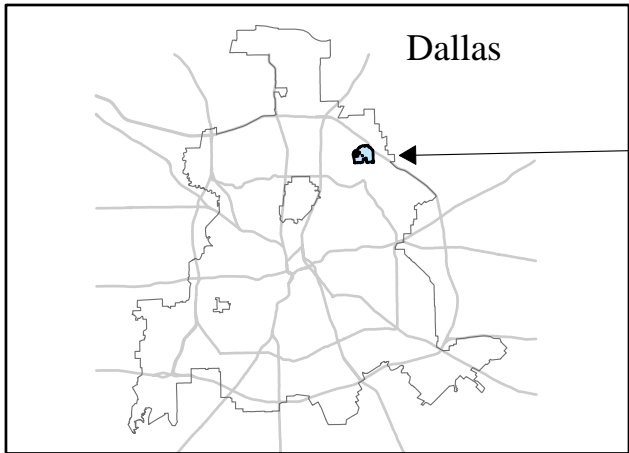
Prevent mosquito breeding


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.

City's mosquito spray program

The pesticide and spray methods are adapted for the purpose of reducing the adult mosquito population. Only those areas where infected mosquitoes have been found are scheduled for spraying. The active ingredients in the pesticides used are permethrin and piperonyl butoxide. A 300-foot swath is the effective range and only insects present and which come into contact with the pesticide may be killed. Insects which are not active at night like bees and dragon flies should not be affected.

To report standing water or mosquito problems Dallas residents should call 3-1-1. For additional information on Mosquito Control, visit http://www.dallascityhall.com/ehs/mosquito_control.html.



<p align="center">Adult Mosquito Spray Areas Wednesday August 23, 2007 and Thursday August 24, 2007 Between 10:00 P.M. and 3:00 A.M.</p>	<p align="center">Legend</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Dallas Streets Area to be Sprayed Railroads 	 <p align="center">City of Dallas Department of Environmental and Health Services Environmental Assessment Program</p>
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