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Areas in Dallas to be sprayed for West Nile Virus

Dallas – Mosquito pools were confirmed positive for West Nile Virus in the 75215 zip code. Weather permitting; the area(s) delineated below are scheduled for mosquito control spraying Sunday, July 26, 2015 and Monday, July 27, 2015 between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. on each night.

Control Areas: The areas to be sprayed are within an area generally bounded by:

2900 block of MLK: **Robert Cullum Blvd** on the north, **Logan Street** on the west, **Dallas Street** on the east and **Atlanta Street** on the south.

3400 Pondrom Street: **S Malcolm X Blvd** on the north, **Park Row Avenue** on the west, **Oakland Cemetery** on the east and **Colonial Avenue** on the south.

2700 block of Lawrence Street: **Oakland Cemetery** on the north, **Leland Avenue** on the west, **Peary Avenue** on the east and **Anderson Street** on the south.

While the insecticide is approved by the Environmental Protection Agency for treatment, 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 during the scheduled spraying time 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.

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 and French drains. 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 www.dallascityhall.com.