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Areas in Dallas to be sprayed for West Nile Virus (WNV); Mosquito pool in the area tested positive for the virus

Dallas –Mosquitoes infected with the West Nile virus were found in the area around the 115 block of Classen Drive in the 75218 zip code, the 6100 block of Royal Crest Drive in the 75230 zip code, the 3300 block of Highland Woods Drive in the 75241 zip code, the 3100 block of Community Drive in the 75220 zip code and the 4200 block of Maryland Avenue in the 75216 zip code. Additionally, a mosquito pool was confirmed positive for the WNV in a City of University Park trap (4300 block of Greenbrier Drive) located near the Dallas City limits.

Weather permitting; the areas delineated below are scheduled for mosquito control spraying from 10 p.m. until 3:00 a.m. Sunday, October 6, 2013 and again on Monday, October 7, 2013.

Control Area for Classen Drive: The area to be sprayed is within in an area bounded generally on the north by **Lanshire Drive**, on the west by **Audelia Road**, on the south by **Van Dyke Road**, and on the east by **Easton Road**.

Control Area for Royal Crest Drive: The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by **Preston Haven Drive**, on the west by **Jamestown Road**, on the south by **Royal Lane**, and on the east by **Edgemere Road**.

Control Area for Highland Woods Drive: The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by **Highland Woods Drive**, on the west by **Bonnie View Road**, on the south by **Barnabus Drive**, and on the east by **Bishop College Drive**.

Control Area for Maryland Avenue: The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by **Overton Road**, on the west by **Huckleberry Circle**, on the south by **Pentagon Parkway**, and on the east by **Kostner Avenue**.

Control Area for Community Drive: The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by **Lombardy Lane**, on the west by **Denton Drive**, on the south by **Bachman Drive**, and on the east by **Webb Chapel Avenue**.

Control Area for 4300 Greenbrier Drive (City of University Park): The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by **Berkshire Lane**, on the west by **Devonshire Drive**, on the south by **Lovers Lane**, and on the east by **Preston Road**.

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.