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

Weather permitting, the area delineated below is scheduled for mosquito control spraying beginning at 10 p.m. Sunday, and concluding early Tuesday morning.

Dallas –area around **2800 Scottsbluff Drive** in the 75228 zip code.

<u>Control Areas:</u> The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by Oates Drive, on the west by Ashdown Drive, on the South by Gross Road and on the east by La Prada Drive.

Dallas- area around **1500 Bruck** in the 75216 zip code.

<u>Control Areas:</u> The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by Woodbine, on the west by Ewing, on the South by Ohio Avenue, and on the east by Cedar Crest.

Dallas –area around **2900 Tortoise** in the 75216 zip code.

Control Areas: The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by Prosperity, on the west by Sunnyvale, on the South by 51st, and on the east by Vandervort.

Dallas –area around **10000 Muskogee** in the 75217 zip code.

<u>Control Areas:</u> The area to be sprayed is within an area bounded generally on the north by Burton Rd. on the west by St. Augustine, on the South by Lake June Rd., and on the east by Cheynne.

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 repellant.

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.