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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT SIXTH ADULTICIDING OF THE SEASON TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Brooklyn on the evening of Wednesday, August 8

August 6, 2018 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct its sixth adulticide treatment of the season. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Brooklyn on **Wednesday, August 8 between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until **Thursday, August 9**.

For the truck sprayings in Brooklyn, the Health Department will use very low concentrations of DUET®. The risks of pesticides applied by the Health Department for mosquito control are low to people and pets. Some people who are sensitive to spray ingredients may experience short-term eye or throat irritation, or a rash. People with respiratory conditions may also be affected. To stay safe during spraying:

- Stay indoors, whenever possible.
- Air conditioners can remain on. While unnecessary, you may wish to close air conditioner vents, or choose the recirculate function.

After spraying:

- While unnecessary, you can wash outdoor toys and equipment with soap and water.
- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water.
- Always wash fruits and vegetables with water.

The most effective way to control mosquitoes is to eliminate any standing water. New Yorkers are also encouraged to mosquito-proof their homes and take precautions when spending time outdoors.

Reducing exposure to mosquitoes

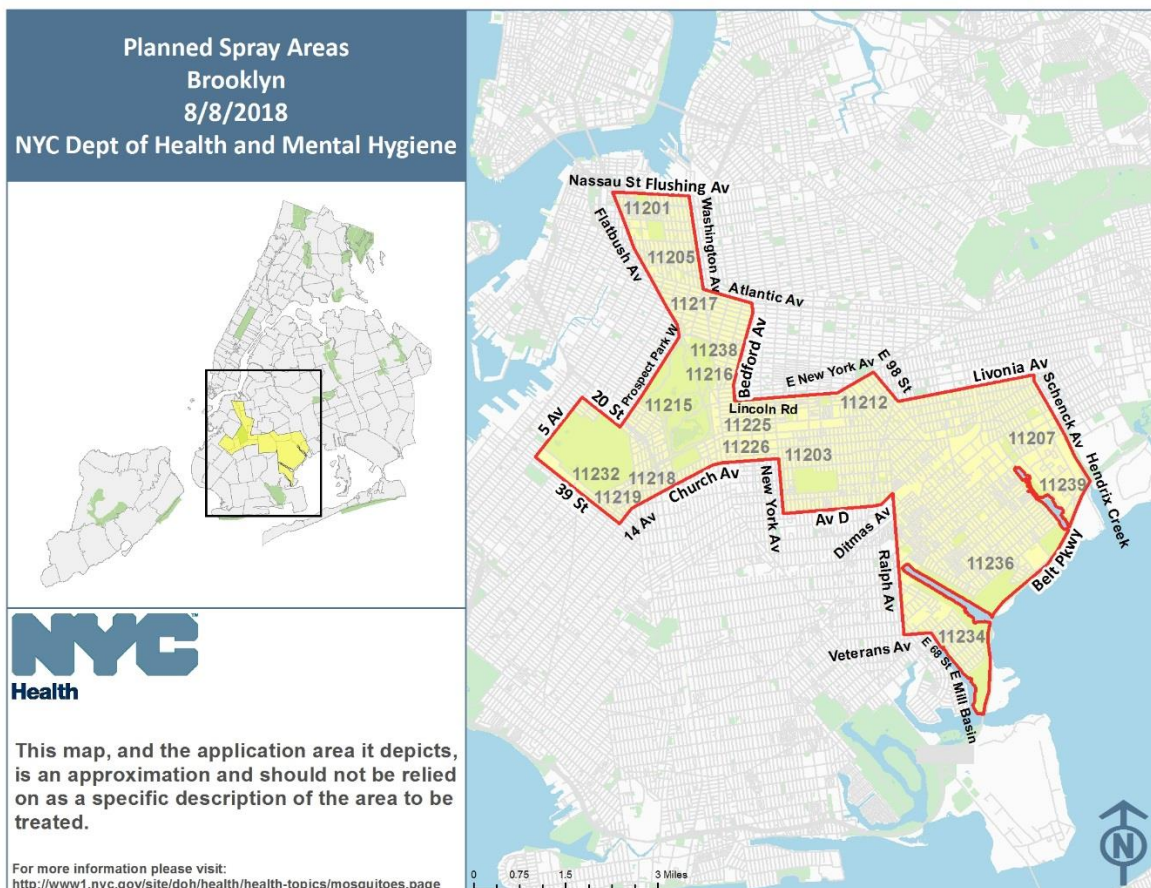
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under 3), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property and dispose of containers that can collect water. Standing water is a violation of the New York City Health Code.
- Make sure roof gutters are clean and draining properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. Keep them empty or covered if not in use. Drain water that collects in pool covers.

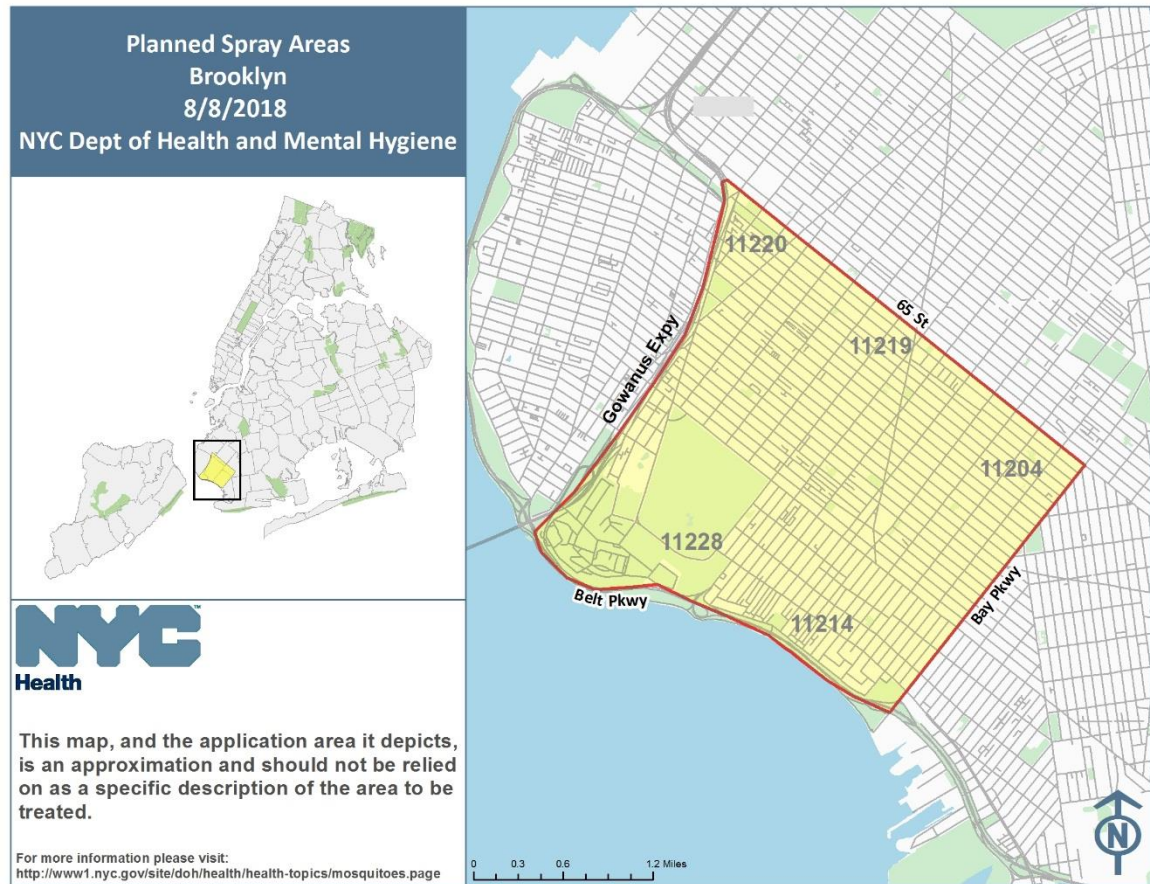
Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting nyc.gov/health/wnv. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit nyc.gov.

Locations of truck spraying in Brooklyn to reduce risk of West Nile virus

Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Parts of Bergen Beach, Brownsville, Canarsie, Clinton Hill, Crown Heights, Downtown Brooklyn, East Flatbush, East New York, Farragut, Fort Greene, Georgetown, Greenwood Heights, Mill Basin, New Lots, Paerdegat Basin, Park Slope, Prospect Heights, Prospect Lefferts Gardens, Prospect Park South, Remsen Village, Rugby, Spring Creek, Starrett City, and Windsor Terrace	Bordered by 5 th Avenue, 20 th Street, Prospect Park West, and Flatbush Avenue to the West; Nassau Street, Flushing Avenue, Washington Avenue, Atlantic Avenue, Bedford Avenue, Lincoln Road, East New York Avenue, East 98 th Street, and Livonia Avenue to the North; Schenck Avenue, Hendrix Creek, and Belt Parkway to the East; and, East Mill Basin, East 68 th Street, Veterans Avenue, Ralph Avenue, Ditmas Avenue, Avenue D, New York Avenue, Church Avenue, 14 Avenue, and 39 th Street to the South	Parts of 11201, 11203, 11205, 11207, 11212, 11215, 11216, 11217, 11218, 11219, 11225, 11226, 11232, 11234, 11236, 11238, 11239
Parts of Bath Beach, Bensonhurst, Dyker Heights, and New Utrecht	Bordered by Gowanus Expressway to the West; 65 th Street to the North; Bay Parkway to the East; and Belt Parkway to the South	Parts of 11204, 11214, 11219, 11220, 11228

Map of truck spray areas





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