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

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Staten Island is the evening of Tuesday, July 30

July 26, 2019 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct its first adulticide treatment of the season. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Staten Island on Tuesday, July 30 between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Wednesday, July 31.

For the truck sprayings on Staten Island, the Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil® 10+10 and DELTAGARD. 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/wny. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit nyc.gov.
Locations of truck spraying on Staten Island to reduce risk of West Nile virus

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<td>Parts of Annadale, Arden Heights, Bay Terrace, Eltingville, Great Kills, Greenridge, Huguenot, New Dorp, New Dorp Beach, Oakwood, Oakwood Beach, Richmond Town, Rossville, and Woodrow</td>
<td>Bordered by Huguenot Avenue, Ramona Avenue, Vernon Avenue, Woodrow Road and Winant Avenue to the West; West Shore Expressway, Richmond Creek, and Richmond Road to the North; Riedel Avenue, Tysens Lane, Hylan Boulevard, and Ebbits Street to the East; and, Lower Bay, Great Kills Park Boundary and Hylan Boulevard to the South.</td>
<td>Parts of 10306, 10308, 10309, and 10312</td>
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Map of truck spray areas
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