



NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SPRAY PESTICIDE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MOSQUITOES AND THE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS IN SELECTED PARTS OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS

August 20, 2013 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will spray pesticide from trucks in parts of Brooklyn and Queens on **Thursday, August 22, 2013 between the hours of 8:15 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Monday, August 26, 2013 during the same hours. The neighborhoods listed below are being treated due to rising West Nile virus activity with high mosquito populations.

Locations of Application

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Brooklyn	Parts of Bath Beach, Bay Ridge and Dyker Heights	Bordered by Bay Ridge Parkway to the North; 4th Avenue to the West; Belt Parkway to the South; and 16th Avenue to the East	Parts of the following zip codes: 11209 and 11228
Queens	Parts of Auburndale, Murray Hill, Pomonok, and Queensboro Hill	Bordered by Northern Boulevard, Sanford Avenue, 156th Street, 46th Avenue, and Holly Avenue to the North; Kissena Boulevard to the West; Long Island Expressway to the South; and Fresh Meadow Lane and Auburndale Lane to the East	Parts of the following zip codes: 11355, 11358, 11365, 11367
	Parts of Cambria Heights, Laurelton, Springfield Gardens, and Saint Albans	Bordered by Linden Boulevard to the North; 170th Street, Ring Place, 171st Street to the West; 125th Ave, Merrick Boulevard, 223rd Street and 130th Avenue to the South; and Francis Lewis Boulevard, 121st Avenue and Francis Lewis Boulevard to the East.	Parts of the following zip codes: 11411, 11412, 11413, 11434

For these sprayings, the Health Department will use a very low concentration of Anvil® 10+10, a synthetic pesticide. When properly used, this product poses no significant risks to human health. The Health Department recommends that people take the following precautions to minimize direct exposure:

- Whenever possible, stay indoors during spraying. People with asthma or other respiratory conditions are encouraged to stay inside during spraying since direct exposure could worsen these conditions.
- Air conditioners may remain on, however, if you wish to reduce the possibility of indoor exposure to pesticides, set the air conditioner vent to the closed position, or choose the re-circulate function.

- Remove children’s toys, outdoor equipment, and clothes from outdoor areas during spraying. If outdoor equipment and toys are exposed to pesticides, wash them with soap and water before using again.
- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water. Always wash your produce thoroughly with water before cooking or eating.

Reducing Exposure to Mosquitoes

- Consider reducing the amount of time spent outdoors during the hours between dusk and dawn in areas with heavy mosquito populations.
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under three).
- Make sure windows have screens, and 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 and covered if not in use; drain water that collects in pool covers.
- Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting nyc.gov.

Maps Depicting Specific Areas for Pesticide Application

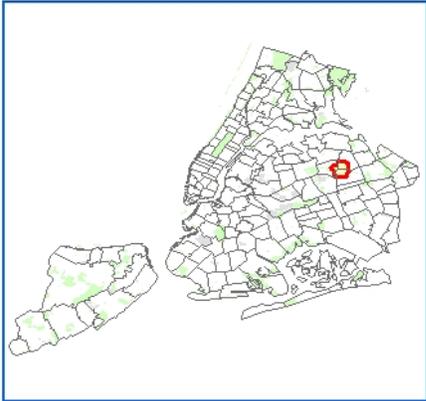
**Planned Spray Areas
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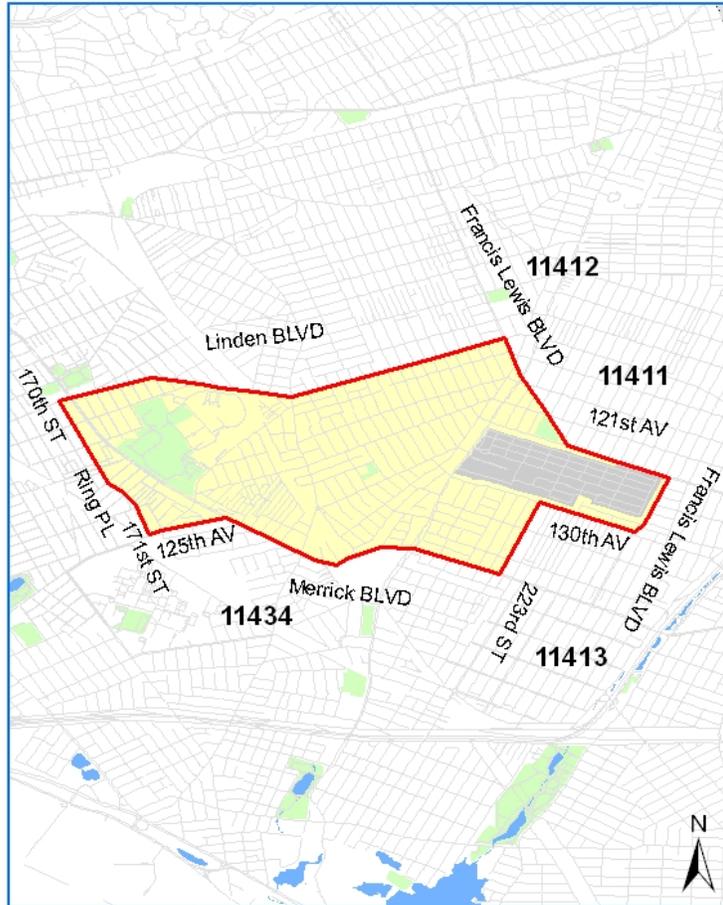
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