



HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT ADULTICIDING ON STATEN ISLAND, IN THE BRONX AND BROOKLYN TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Staten Island and the Bronx in the evening of Tuesday, August 31

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Brooklyn in the evening of Thursday, September 2

August 26, 2021 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct an adulticide treatment on Staten Island, in the Bronx and in Brooklyn. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Staten Island and the Bronx on **Tuesday, August 31, between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather or equipment malfunctions, application will be delayed until **Wednesday, September 1**. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Brooklyn on **Thursday, September 2, between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. Application may be delayed until **Tuesday, September 7** in the event of bad weather or equipment malfunctions.

The Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil®, Duet®, or 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:

- 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

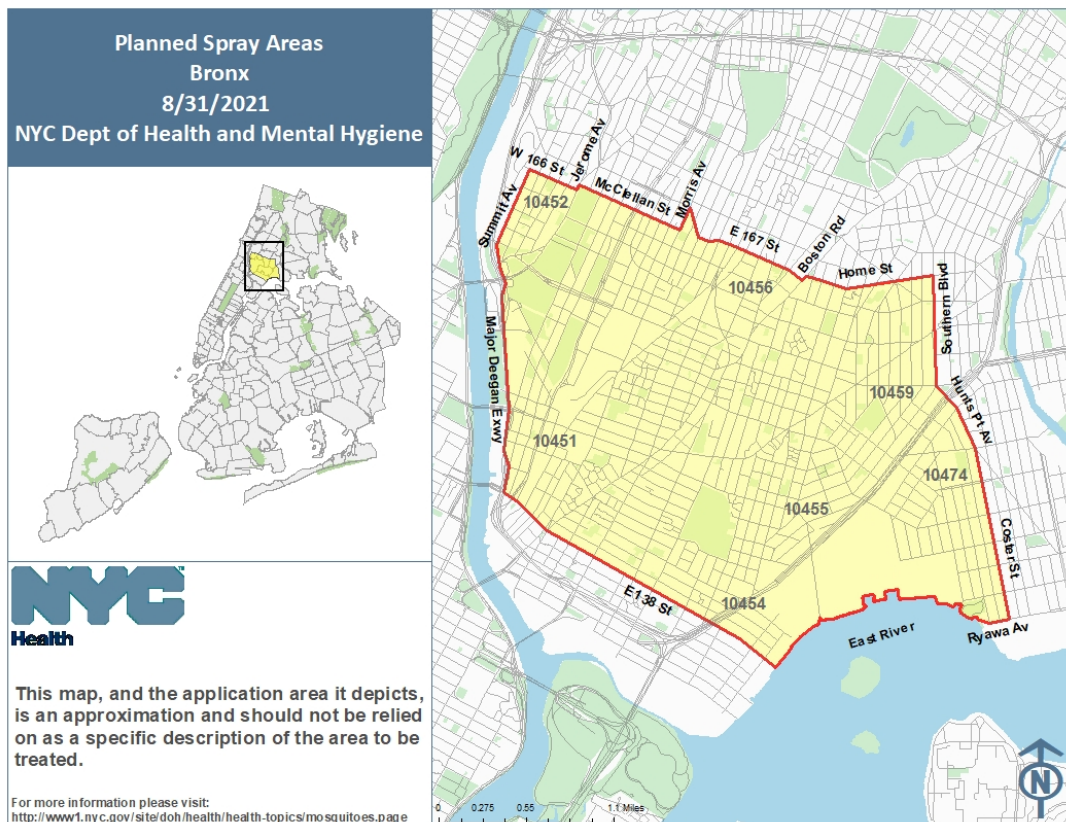
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under 3), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property 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.

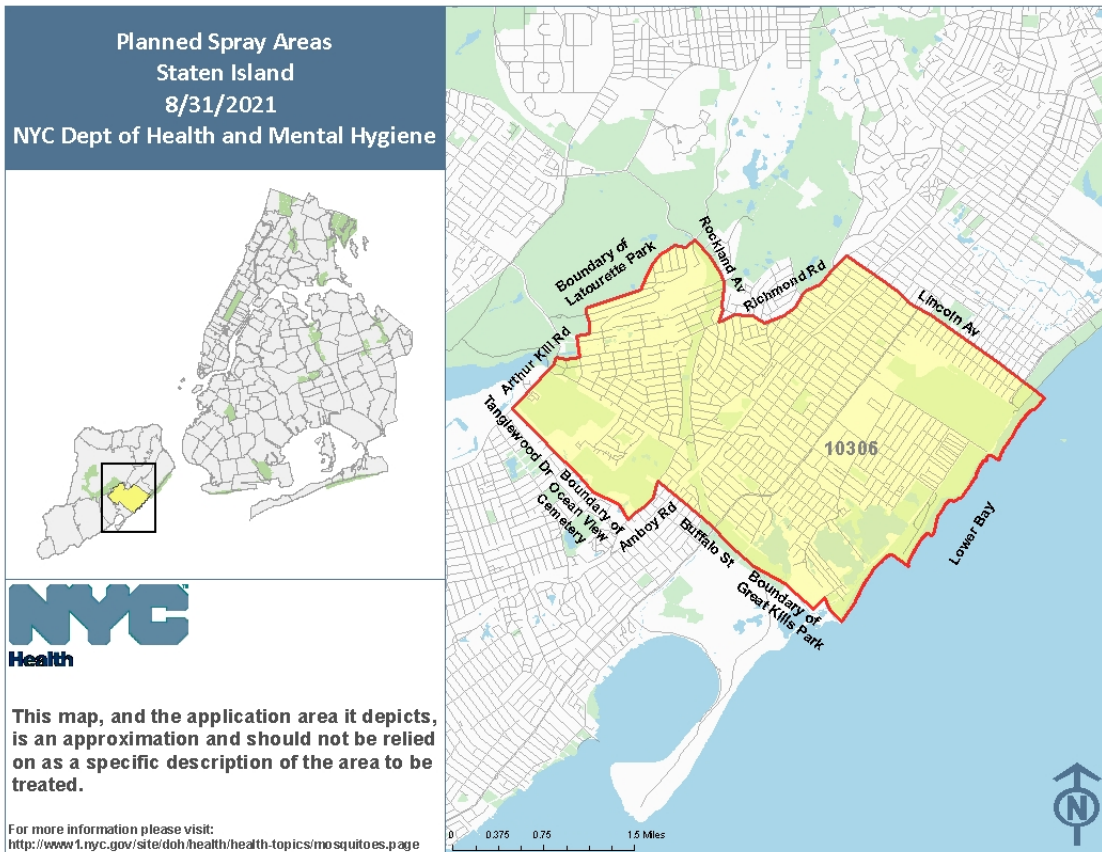
Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting nyc.gov/health/wnv. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit nyc.gov.

Locations of truck spraying on August 31

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Bronx	Parts of Concourse, Concourse Village, High Bridge, Hunts Point, Longwood, Melrose, Morrisania, Mott Haven, Port Morris, and The Hub.	Bordered by Major Deegan Expressway, Summit Avenue to the West; West 166 Street, Jerome Avenue, McClellan Street, Morris Avenue, East 167 Street, Boston Road, Home Street to the North; Southern Boulevard, Hunts Point Avenue, Coster Street to the East; and, Ryawa Avenue, East River, East 138 Street to the South.	Parts of 10451, 10452, 10454, 10455, 10456, 10459, and 10474.
Staten Island	Parts of Egbertville, Grant City, Lighthouse Hill, Midland Beach, New Dorp, New Dorp Beach, Oakwood, Oakwood Beach, and Richmond Town	Bordered by Boundary of Great Kills Park, Buffalo Street, Amboy Road, Boundary of Ocean View Cemetery, Tanglewood Drive to the West; Arthur Kill Road, Boundary of Latourette Park, Rockland Avenue, Richmond Road to the North; Lincoln Avenue to the East; and, Lower Bay to the South.	Parts of 10306

Map of truck spray areas on August 31

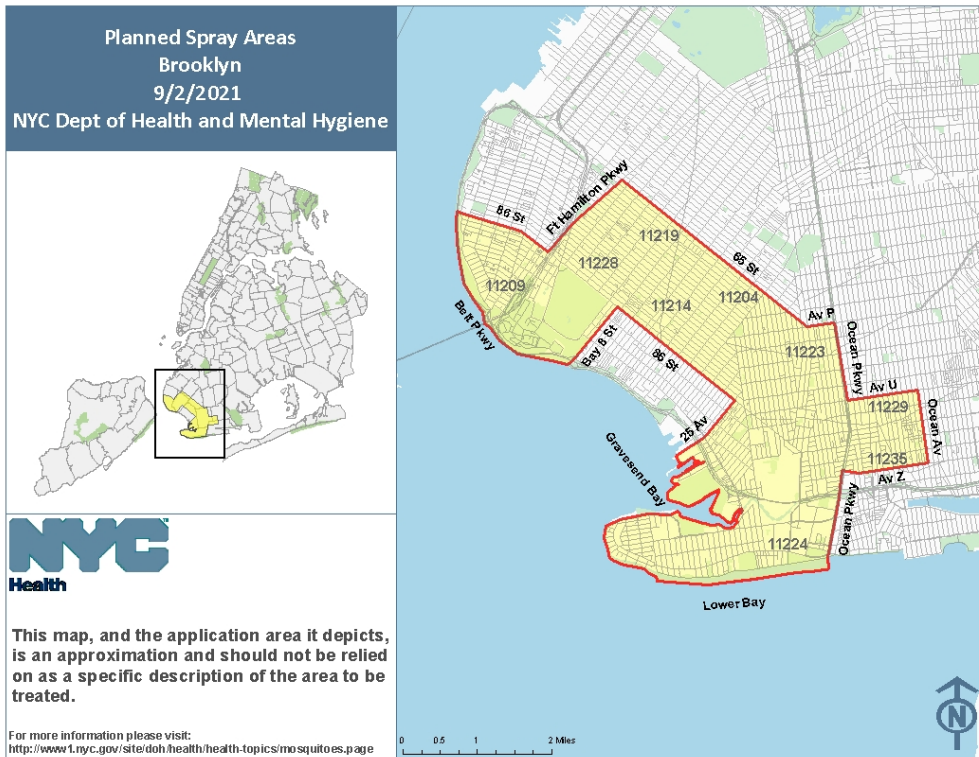




Locations of truck spraying on September 2

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Brooklyn	Parts of Bath Beach, Bay Ridge, Bensonhurst, Coney Island, Dyker Heights, Fort Hamilton, Gravesend, Homecrest, New Utrecht, and Seagate.	Bordered by 86 Street, Fort Hamilton Parkway to the West; 65 Street, Avenue P to the North; Ocean Parkway, Avenue U, Ocean Avenue, Ocean Parkway to the East; and, Lower Bay, Gravesend Bay, 25 Avenue, 86 Street, Bay 8 Street, Belt Parkway to the South.	Parts of 11204, 11209, 11214, 11219, 11223, 11224, 11228, 11229, and 11235

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