

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

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Brooklyn, Queens and on Staten Island in the evening of Wednesday, September 8

September 2, 2021 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct an adulticide treatment in Brooklyn, Queens and on Staten Island. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island on Wednesday, September 8, 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 Thursday, September 9.

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.

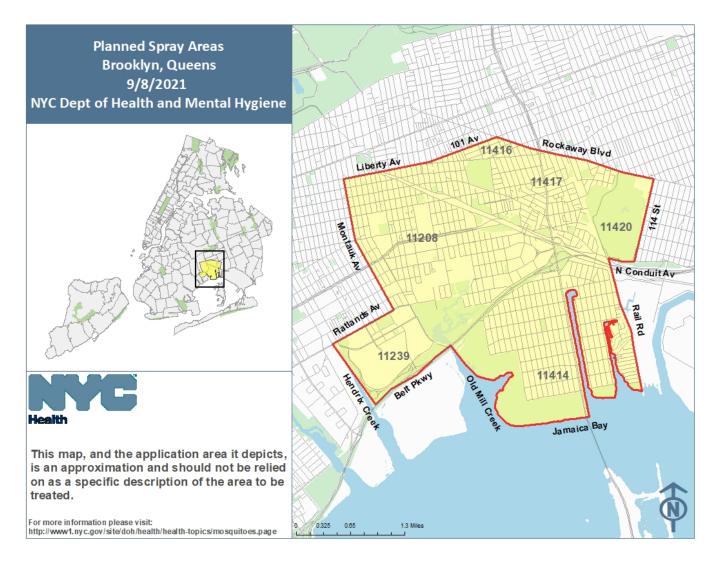
Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting <u>nyc.gov/health/wnv</u>. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit <u>nyc.gov</u>.

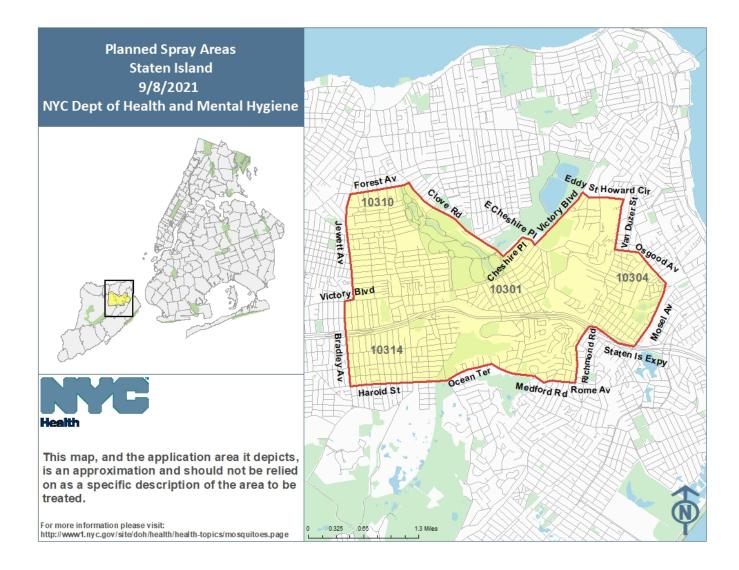
# Locations of truck spraying

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
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Staten Island	Parts of Castleton Corners,	Bordered by Bradley Avenue, Victory	Parts of 10301,
	Emerson Hill, Fox Hill,	Boulevard, Jewett Avenue to the West;	10304, 10310,
	Grymes Hill, Manor Heights,	Forest Avenue, Clove Road, Cheshire Place,	and 10314.
	Park Hill, Sunnyside, Todd	East Cheshire Place, Victory Boulevard, Eddy	
	Hill, Westerleigh	Street, Howard Circle to the North; Van	
		Duzer Street, Osgood Avenue, Mosel	
		Avenue, Staten Island Expressway,	
		Richmond Road to the East; and, Rome	
		Avenue, Medford Road, Ocean Terrace,	
		Harold Street to the South.	
Queens &	Parts of City Line, East New	Bordered by Hendrix Creek, Flatlands	Parts of 11208,
Brooklyn	York, Howard Beach,	Avenue, Montauk Avenue to the West;	11239, 11414,
	Lindenwood, Ozone Park,	Liberty Avenue, 101 Avenue, Rockaway	11416, 11417,
	South Ozone Park, and	Boulevard to the North; 114 Street, North	and 11420
	Spring Creek.	Conduit Avenue, Rail Road to the East; and,	
		Jamaica Bay, Old Mill Creek, Belt Parkway to	
		the South.	

# Map of truck spray areas





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