



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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## HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT ADULTICIDING IN MANHATTAN AND ON STATEN ISLAND TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

*Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Manhattan and Staten Island in the evening of Monday, September 27*

**September 23, 2021** – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct an adulticide treatment in Manhattan and Staten Island. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Manhattan and Staten Island on **Monday, September 27, 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 **Tuesday, September 28**.

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

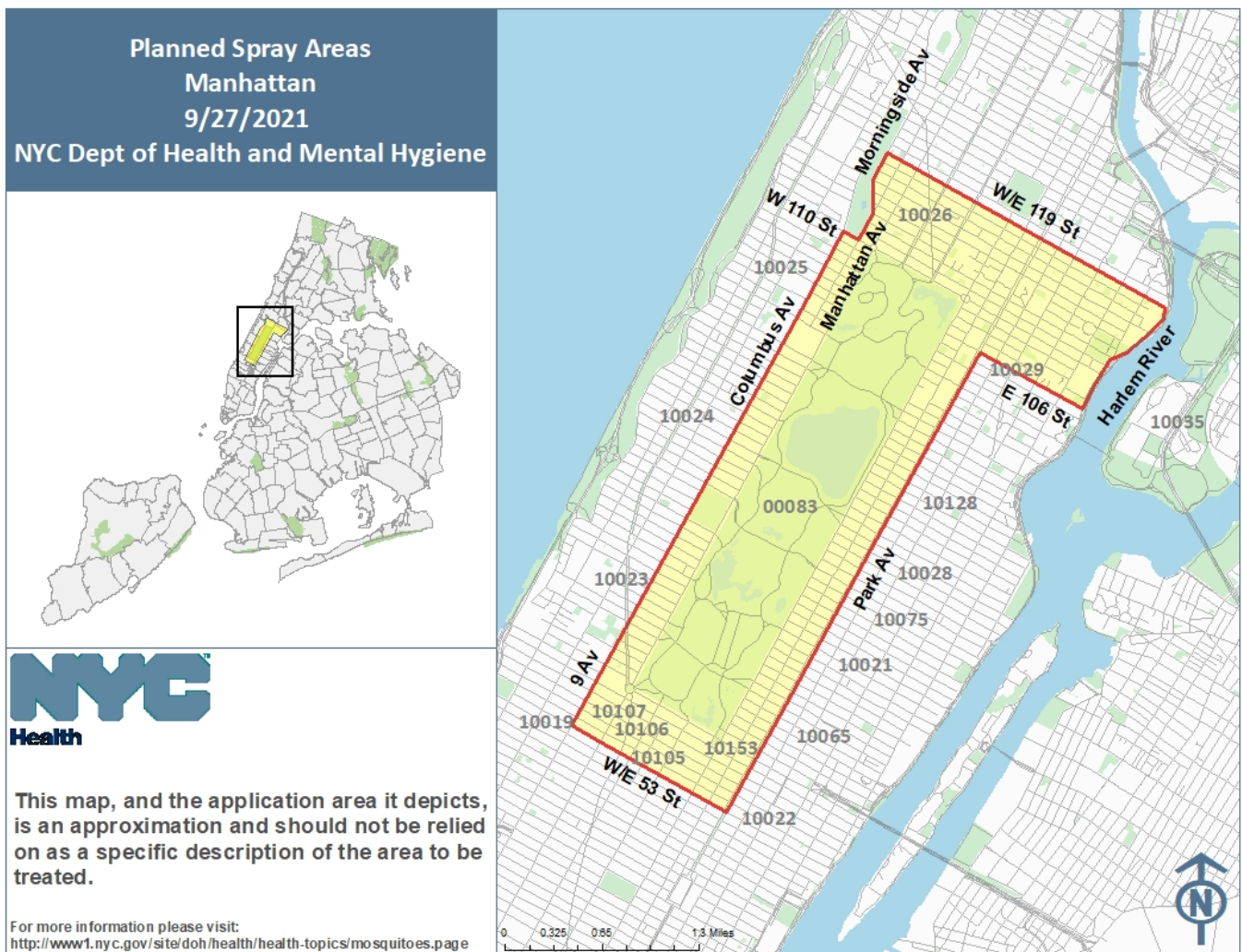
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under 3), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property 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](https://nyc.gov/health/wnv). For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit [nyc.gov](https://nyc.gov).

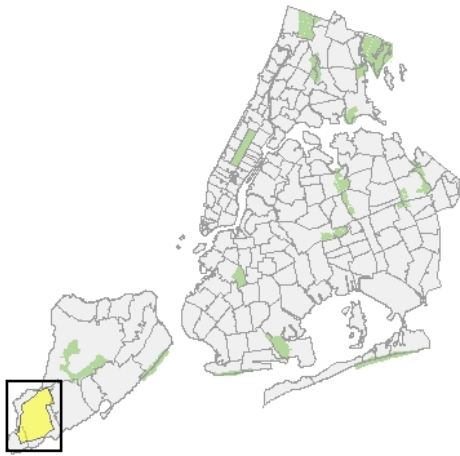
## Locations of truck spraying

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
<b>Manhattan</b>	Parts of East Harlem, Harlem, Lincoln Square, Manhattan Valley, Midtown, Morningside Heights, Spanish Harlem, and Upper West Side.	Bordered by 9 Avenue, Columbus Avenue, West 110 Street, Morningside Avenue to the West; West to East 119 Street to the North; Harlem River, East 106 Street, Park Avenue to the East; and, East to West 53 Street to the South.	Parts of 00083, 10019, 10021, 10022, 10023, 10024, 10025, 10026, 10028, 10029, 10035, 10065, 10075, 10105, 10106, 10107, 10128, and 10153
<b>Staten Island</b>	Parts of Butler Manor, Charleston, Mount Loretto, Pleasant Plains, Prince's Bay, Richmond Valley, Rossville, Sandy Ground, Tottenville, and Woodrow.	Bordered by Sprague Avenue, Amboy Road, Fisher Avenue to the West; Arthur Kill Road to the North; Huguenot Avenue, Woodrow Road, Foster Road, Amboy Road, Seguine Avenue, to the East; and, Hylan Boulevard to the South.	Parts of 10307, 10309, and 10312.

## Map of truck spray areas

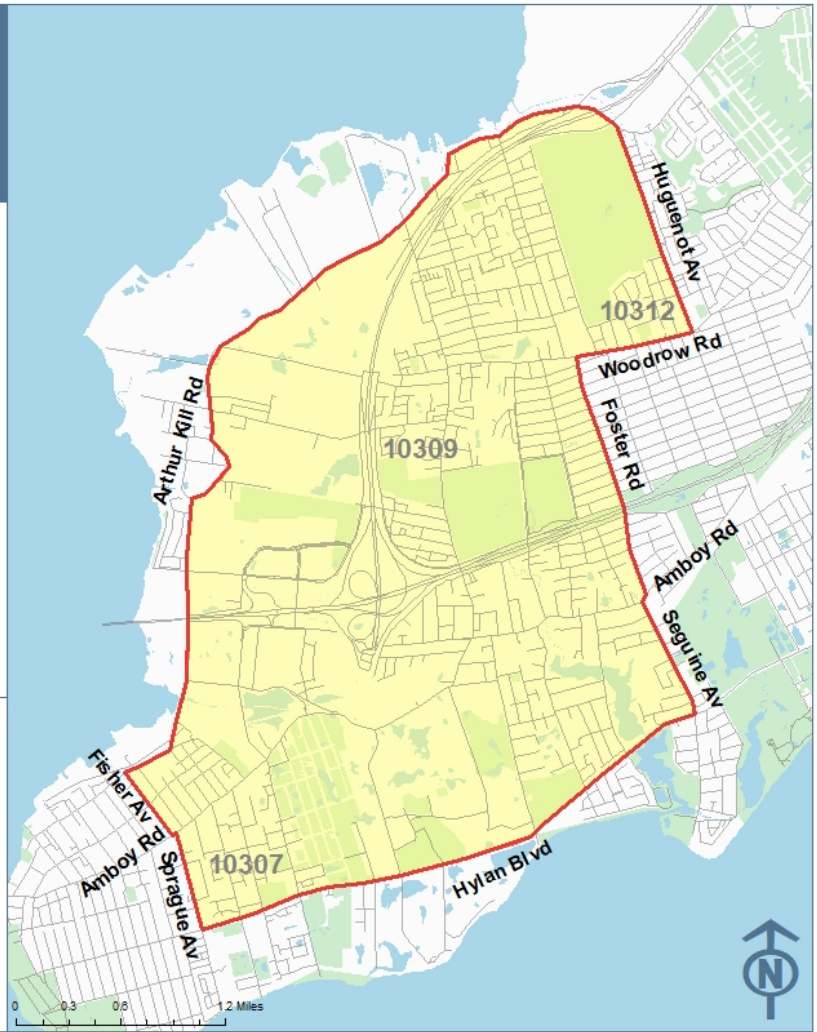


Planned Spray Areas  
Staten Island  
9/27/2021  
NYC Dept of Health and Mental Hygiene



This map, and the application area it depicts, is an approximation and should not be relied on as a specific description of the area to be treated.

For more information please visit:  
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/mosquitoes.page>



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