

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Thursday, July 11, 2024

HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT MOSQUITO ADULTICIDING IN PARTS OF QUEENS TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Queens in the evening of Monday, July 15, 2024 and in the evening Wednesday, July 17, 2024

July 11, 2024 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct an adulticide treatment in Queens. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Queens on Monday, July 15, 2024 and on Wednesday, July 17, 2024 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 6:00 AM the following morning. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Tuesday, July 16, 2024 and on Thursday, July 18, 2024, respectively, between the hours of 8:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. the following morning.

The Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil® 10+10, Duet® or MERUS® 3. 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.

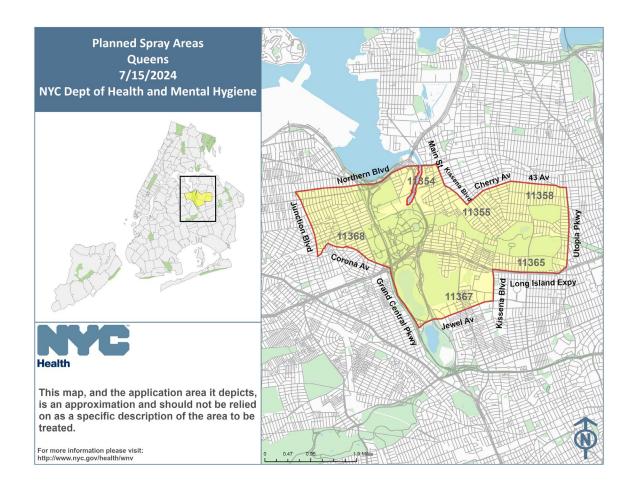
Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting nyc.gov/health/wnv. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit nyc.gov.

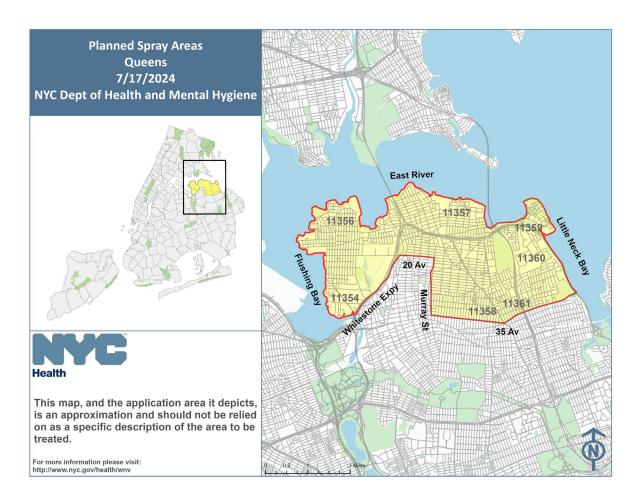
Locations of truck spraying in Queens on Monday July 15, 2024

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Queens	Parts of Corona, Downtown	Bordered by Junction Boulevard to the West;	Parts of
	Flushing, East Flushing, Flushing,	Northern Boulevard, Main Street, Kissena	11354,
	Kew Gardens, Hills, Murray Hill,	Boulevard, Cherry Avenue and 43 Avenue to	11355,
	North Corona, Pomonok,	the North; Utopia Parkway to the East; Long	11358,
	Queensboro Hill, and South	Island Expressway, Kissena Boulevard, Jewel	11365,
	Corona.	Avenue, Grand Central Parkway, and Corona	11367, and
		Avenue to the South	11368

Locations of truck spraying in Queens on Wednesday, July 17, 2024

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Queens	Parts of Auburndale, Bayside, Bay Terrace, Beechhurst, Broadway, Clearview, College Point, Flushing, Linden Hill, Malba, and Whitestone.	Bordered by Flushing Bay to the West; East River to the North; Little Neck Bay to the East; and 35 Avenue, Murray Street, Whitestone Expressway to the South.	Parts of 11354, 11356, 11357, 11358, 11359, 11360, and 11361.





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