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Press Release

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Notification of Early Morning Aerosol (ULV) Applications

The Board of Health would like to inform Canton residents that the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project will begin the 2011 early morning ultra low volume (ULV) aerosol ground applications on or about May 31, , and continue through September 30, 2011, between the hours of 2:00 AM to 6:00 AM, Monday through Friday depending on weather conditions. This program will be a continuation of the mosquito control procedures, which have been used in past years:

The purpose of the adulticide application is to control nuisance virus carrying adult mosquitoes. The control product being used is DUET (EPA Reg.# 1021-1795-8329) applied in ultra-low volume (ULV) sprayers at a rate of approximately one half ounce per acre of finished spray. Duet is a compound similar to ANVIL, the adulticide used in previous years for ultra low volume mosquito control ground spraying.

If any resident wishes to know when the spray program may be conducted in their specific neighborhood or area, the information may be found on the Project's website at <http://www.massnrc.org/ncmcp>. Any homeowner who would like the ULV spraying to bypass their property may request the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project to do so and should send a certified letter saying so to the Town Clerk's Office. The certified letter should specify: homeowner's name, address, telephone number, the names of all abutters, and the spray program for which the exclusion is requested. In addition, the boundaries of the property must be marked every 50' by tin pie plates or other appropriate means. Questions regarding the regulation can be answered by calling the Massachusetts Pesticide Bureau at (617) 626-1781.

Please note that the ULV map and/or street listings will be posted on or about 3:30 p.m. the day before the scheduled application day. Residents may also contact the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project at (617) 582-6216 after 3:30 PM the day before the scheduled treatment to receive information detailing the streets or areas to be treated in the Town.

The "Process to Exclude Property from Public Area Wide Pesticide Applications State Regulation", 333 CMR 13:04, provides a method for homeowners to exclude their property from public area-wide pesticide applications. For more information, please click on the following links: <http://www.massnrc.org/ncmcp/ULVSchedule/ULVExclude.htm>. Questions regarding the regulation can be answered by calling the Massachusetts Pesticide Bureau at (617) 626-1781.

Submitted,

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